

## Introduction

Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord's day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God's mercy for the world.

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June 11, 2023, 9:00 A.M.

#### All are welcome here

All people of faith, All people of doubt
All people of any origin, race, ability, sexual orientation or gender expression
All people who seek a compassionate community

#### All are welcome here

Welcome to worship, Welcome to pray Welcome to learn, Welcome to give thanks Welcome to serve God and neighbors

#### All are welcome here

All are redeemed by a gracious God



# The Gathering

#### **Prelude Music**

Morning Has Broken, Setting David Gale (Beth Dana, piano)
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee, Setting Marianne Kim (Beth Dana, piano)

Stand

Call to Worship (inspired by Psalm 50) (written by James E. Janecek, and posted on the Worship Ways website. http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways/)

PK Come, listen to the One

C who speaks and summons the earth, from the rising of the sun to its setting.

PK Come, see the One

C who shines forth in the perfection of beauty.

PK Come, bring thanksgiving, the sacrifice that honors the One

C who shows the salvation of God.

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

PK Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure.

C Amen.

PK Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors.

Merciful God,

C we confess that we have sinned.
We have hurt our community.
We have squandered your blessings.
We have hoarded your bounty.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.

### PK Righteous God,

C we confess that we have sinned.

We have failed to be honest.

We have lacked the courage to speak.

We have spoken falsely.

In the name of Jesus,

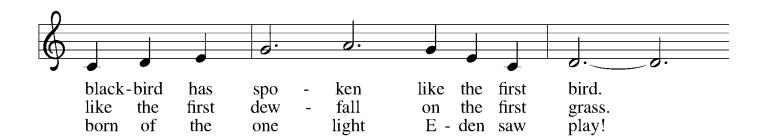
forgive us and grant us your mercy.

PK God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.

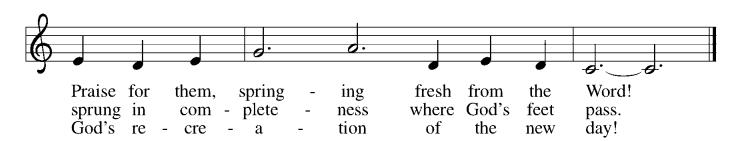
### C Amen.

### Gathering Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 556: Morning Has Broken









Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881–1965 Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune

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### Greeting

PK The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

## C And also with you.

## **Hymn of Praise**



### Prayer of the Day

PK O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

Sit

## The Word

L A reading from the book of Hosea.

#### Hosea 5:15-6:6

Because the people have trusted in military powers and not God, God decides to withdraw from the scene until Israel acknowledges its guilt and seeks God's face. The response of the people does not acknowledge this guilt and is as fickle as fog or dew burned away quickly by the sun. God desires loyalty rather than words or meaningless deeds.

<sup>15</sup>I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: 6:1"Come, let us return to the LORD; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. <sup>2</sup>After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. <sup>3</sup>Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth." <sup>4</sup>What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. <sup>5</sup>Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. <sup>6</sup>For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 50: 7-15

Call upon me in the day of trouble, says your God. (Ps. 50:15)

- <sup>7</sup>"Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.
- <sup>8</sup>I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are always before me.

<sup>9</sup>I will not accept a calf from your stalls, nor goats from your pens;

- <sup>10</sup>for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.
- <sup>11</sup>I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the fields are mine.
- <sup>12</sup>If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.

<sup>13</sup>Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

<sup>14</sup>Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.

<sup>15</sup>Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.

L A reading from the book of Romans.

### Romans 4: 13-25

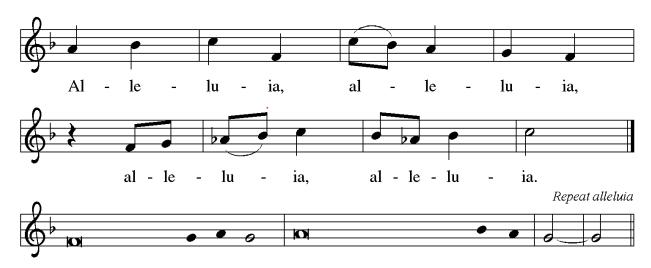
Paul presents Abraham as a living model of right relationships. For Abraham and for us, a right relationship with God involves trusting that God's promises will be fulfilled because God makes the dead alive and calls into existence what otherwise does not exist.

<sup>13</sup>The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup>Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." <sup>23</sup>Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup>who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

## **Gospel Acclamation**



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,\* and has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.

PK The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the ninth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.

<sup>9</sup>As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup>And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>12</sup>But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup>Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

<sup>18</sup>While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." <sup>19</sup>And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup>Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, <sup>21</sup>for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." <sup>22</sup>Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. <sup>23</sup>When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, <sup>24</sup>he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup>But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. <sup>26</sup>And the report of this spread throughout that district.

PK The Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

#### Children's Sermon

## Sermon

Stand

**Pastor Kristin Rice** 

### Hymn of the Day, ELW (red), hymn 588: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy



- 1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer cy, like the wide-ness of the sea;
- 2 There is wel-come for the sin-ner, and a prom-ised grace made good;
- 3 For the love of God is broad-er than the mea-sures of our mind;
- 4 'Tis not all we owe to Je sus; it is some-thing more than all:



there's a kind-ness in God's jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty. Say-ior; there is heal - ing there is mer-cv with the in his blood. and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won-der - ful - ly kind. mer-cy through the fall. great - er good be - cause of e - vil, larg - er



no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heav'n. There is There is grace e - nough for thou-sands of new worlds as great as this; we make this nar - row by false lim - its love too of our own; Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us take you at your word,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg-ment giv'n. there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss. zeal God will not own. and we mag-ni fy its strict-ness with a and our lives will be thanks-giv - ing for the good-ness of Lord.

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## PK Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### **Prayers**

- A Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need. (*A brief silence*.) We pray, O God, for the church. Unite us with any on the margins, that the whole world recognizes that your mercy is greater than our human capacity to restrict it. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A We pray, O God, for creation. Tend forests and fields and safeguard all cattle, birds, and wild animals. We pray for all affected by wildfires in Canada, and especially for safety for all emergency responders. Preserve lakes, rivers, and oceans and send rains to water the earth. Revive lands recovering from natural disasters and provide safety amidst an ongoing chain of earthquakes in North Carolina. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A We pray, O God, for the nations. For the victims of human rights violations in the United States and around the world. Awaken in our leaders compassion for people who have too often felt forgotten or neglected, and inspire policy solutions that promote equity and inclusion. We lift up the ELCA and all leaders, congregations, and members who gather for Synod Assemblies this season. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A We pray, O God, for all who are in need. Accompany anyone enduring chronic illness, any who suffer in secret, and those grieving a loved one's death. Send healing for all who plead for relief from sickness or pain (*especially*): Janet, Jason, Fil, Shirley, Linda, Adele, Jeff, Denise, Victoria, Jennifer, Jeanette, Suzanne, Shelby, Kevin, Nancy, Ann, Mary, Sean, Mayor Dennis, Jane, Robert M, Tom, Peter H, Ruth, Megan and Crystal. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A We pray, O God, for the eradication of racial hatred. On this week when we commemorate the Emanuel Nine, we implore you to cast out the demons of white supremacy that make us believe lies about ourselves and our neighbors. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

- A We pray, O God, for peace in places of war and conflict, and especially for flooding following the destruction of Kakh0vka dam in Ukraine. For veterans commemorating D-Day. For victims of violence during protests in Senegal. For those detained during demonstrations commemorating the 34th anniversary of the Tiananmen Square massacre, that they my find peace in you. God, in you mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- A We give thanks, O God, for Barnabas and all the saints. Renew our faith that you can do what you have promised and raise us, with all our beloved dead, to new life. God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- PK Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.
- C Amen.

### **Peace**

- PK The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

## The Meal

## As we prepare to receive Holy Communion, please read the following:

For today's distribution of Holy Communion, after the Invitation to the Table, the presiding pastor will invite the worship assistants (lector, assisting minister, usher) to commune behind the altar. The presiding pastor will then commune those worshiping online and those in the sanctuary who wish to commune in their pews. Then the presiding pastor will commune those who wish to come up to the altar while the Lamb of God is played. Thank you for your patience as we acknowledge the awkwardness of experiencing something different in worship. God is with us in this meal. God is also with us as we experiment with new worship practices.

## Offering

Please feel free to send your regular tithe in the mail, drop it off to the church office or if you have not checked out our website and the "Your Offering Made Easy" tab, this could be your opportunity. (Ted Heise is available to answer any questions about the Vanco Online giving option. His email address is **theise@panix.com**)

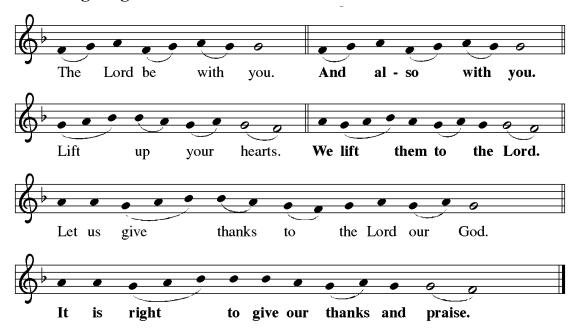


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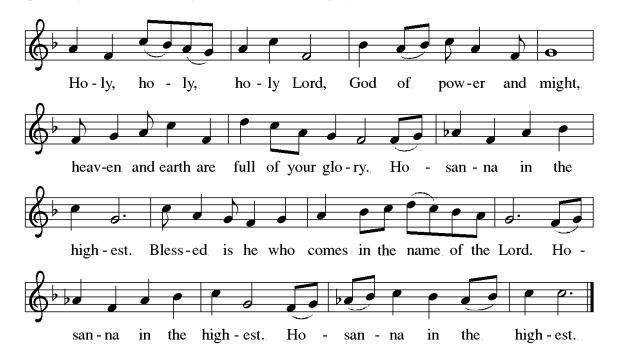
## Offering Prayer

- A God of field and forest, sea and sky, you are the giver of all good things.
  Sustain us with these gifts of your creation, and multiply your graciousness in us, that the world may be fed with your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

### The Great Thanksgiving



PK It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through the great shepherd of your flock, our Savior Jesus Christ;
who after his resurrection sent forth the apostles
to preach the gospel and teach all nations,
and promised to be with them, even to the end of the age.
And so, with Mary Magdalene and the glorious company of the apostles,
with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



PK Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

### C Amen.

## The Lord's Prayer

C Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

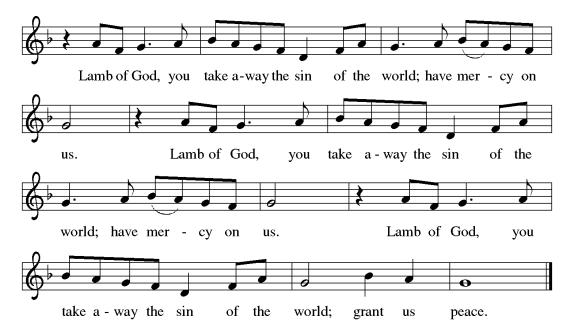
### **Invitation to Communion**

PK So come to this table, which now extends into our homes, you who have faith and you who would like to have faith; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed; come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

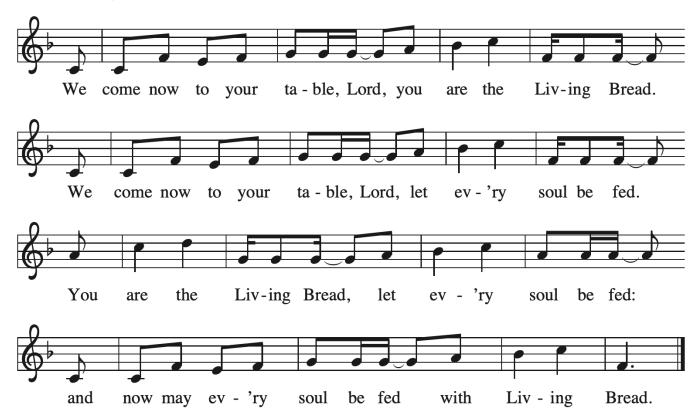
### **Distribution**

There are gluten-free wafers and grape juice. Please indicate your need to the server.

### Lamb of God



## Communion Hymn: ACS 970: We Come Now to Your Table, Lord



Text: Caribbean Conference of Churches Jamaica workshop

Music: LIVING BREAD, St. Vincent traditional, adapt.; arr. Patrick Prescod, 1932-2013

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PK The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and for ever.

C Amen.

### **Prayer after Communion**

A We thank you, generous God, for the refreshment we have received at your banquet table.

Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world, through the one who is our dearest treasure, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

# The Sending

#### An Invitation

Sending Hymn: ELW (red), hymn 836: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee



- I Joy ful, joy ful we a dore thee, God of glo ry, Lord of love
- 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heav'n re flect thy rays,
- 3 Thou art giv ing and for giv ing, ev er bless-ing, ev er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be-fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove. stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise. well-spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way. Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flow-'ry mead-ow, flash - ing sea, Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the of light flow - ing foun - tain chant-ing bird, and call us to re joice in thee. teach us how to love each oth - er, lift the us to joy

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852-1922

Music: HYMN TO JOY, Ludwig van Beethoven, 1770-1827, adapt.

### **Blessing**

PK The God who calls across the cosmos and speaks in the smallest seed + bless, keep, and sustain you now and to the end of the age.

C Amen.

#### Dismissal

- A Go in peace. Share the harvest.
- C Thanks be to God.

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Worship Assistants Today: Beth Dana (Musician), Scott Vana (Cantor), Ted Heise (Assisting Minister), Sandra Vana (Lector), Marcia Daehler (Usher), Mike Williams (A-V Specialist), (Assistant to Mr. Williams)

Pastor Randy is available for pastoral care. Please contact him at: 260-402-4476 or by email: randy@osluth.org

Pastor Kristin is available for campus ministry-related care and support. Please contact her at: 262-758-1235 or by email: plmpastorkristin@gmail.com

We collect toiletries (travel size) to donate to the homeless shelter. The basket for your donations is in the narthex. (Look beneath the buffet.)

Our sanctuary is served by a hearing loop. Wearers of hearing aids should turn their aids to the setting marked T, or T-coil, or Telephone.

### **Coffee Hour**

Flowers today are provided by Jean and Reuben Peterson, who are celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. They are also hosting the coffee hour after the service today.

**Kid's Worship Bags and Family Room:** The kids' worship bags have been updated with new items that help children follow along with the worship service, storybook Bibles and fun activities to do. For little ones there are quiet toys, books, and activities in the family in the back of the church for the children to play with during the service. Please feel free to let your children explore.

## **Centering Prayer Group**

Join us for Centering Prayer this summer at OSLC in the fellowship hall and online via zoom from 9:00 - 9:30 am. Once fall begins we will meet the first and third Mondays of the month. Because of vacation schedules during the summer the Mondays will vary. Here is our summer schedule:

June 26<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom
July 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom
August 7<sup>th</sup> and August 21<sup>st</sup> 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom
The zoom link will be sent out the Friday before. If you have any questions, please contact Missy at missy@osluth.org or at 260-402-4477.

### **Aviators Baseball Game**

July 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm we are planning an OSLC outing at the Aviators game at Lobe Stadium. This game is one of their Sunday Family Days. If you wish you can buy four tickets and get four hot dogs and four drinks for \$44. Click on this link <u>Sunday Family Plan</u> to purchase this deal. If you don't want to buy four tickets and get the family deal, the Aviators have given us a special code that will give us \$3 off per ticket. When purchasing the ticket put OSLC2023 in the promo code space at check out. Click this link here to purchase individual tickets <u>July 16th individual tickets</u>. It would be great if we could all sit in the same section. When purchasing tickets, if possible, please choose section 106. If you have any questions or need help purchasing tickets, please let Missy know. You can email Missy at <u>missy@osluth.org</u> or call at 260-402-4477.

#### Church Picnic

All are welcome to join us June 25th at Columbian Park at 11:00 am. We will be gathering in the Yellow Shelter #3. The fellowship team will provide the meat dish. We are asking that you please bring a dish to share. There is a sign up sheet outside the office to let us know how many in your group plan to attend and what you are bringing or you can click on the link or scan the QR code to use the signup genius. Church Picnic Sign-up



Please let us know by June 18th so we can plan accordingly. This event is a great opportunity to invite friends and or neighbors to a fun OSLC activity!

### **Fundraiser for Family Promise**

Wings Etc., located in both Lafayette and West Lafayette, will be partnering with Family Promise by hosting DINE to DONATE all day on the 3rd Wednesday of each month through the end of 2023. Wings Etc. is donating 15% of pre-tax food and soft drink sales to Family Promise. Bring the DINE to DONATE flyer and show it to the server to support the cause. <a href="http://www.fpglinc.org/">http://www.fpglinc.org/</a>

On Facebook - Family Promise of Greater Lafayette

### **Pints with Pastor**

Pints with Pastor will meet June 23. More information to come.