

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

July 16, 2023

St John's Reformed Church of Loysburg

Rev. Dr. David M. Meckley, Pastor

Scripture: **Isaiah 66:15-24**

Message: **A Final Appeal**

The CCCC Statement of Faith

- We believe the Bible consisting of the Old and New Testament, to be the only inspired, inerrant, infallible, authoritative Word of God written.
- We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- We believe in the deity of Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.
- We believe that for salvation of lost and sinful man regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
- We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit by Whose indwelling power and fullness the Christian is enabled to live a godly life in this present evil world.
- We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
- We believe in the spiritual unity of all believers in Christ.

Organ Prelude: Barb Thomas

Welcome, Announcements, Joys and Concerns

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus says, I am the light of the world.

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

I am the good shepherd.

The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

I am the gate for the sheep.

Whoever enters through Me will be saved.

I am the true vine

Those who abide in Me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from Me you can do nothing.

I am the resurrection and the life.

Whoever believes in me will live, even though he dies;

I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.

*Opening Hymn: FHP #2 “Holy, Holy, Holy”

Prayer of Invocation

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, I long to be like You. I want to connect my life with Yours so that Your Spirit freely flows through me, so that others may know Your love and truth. Forgive my jumbled priorities. Help me

focus on You and Your perfect will. Forgive my body – so eager for pleasures. Free me from the tyranny of self, that I may become more like You. Refine my conscience. Cleanse my heart. Let the Holy Spirit rule my flesh that I may walk in step with Your Spirit and in perfect fellowship with You, Lord Jesus, Amen.

Kyrie

Assurance of Pardon

Apostles Creed

*Gloria Patria

Special Music: Lorie LaSala

Children's Moment:

Offertory thought

*Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Heidelberg Catechism: Lord's Day 32, page 26

Pastoral Prayer

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*Closing Hymn: FHP #501 "When We All Get To Heaven"

*Benediction

*Three-Fold Amen

*****ANNOUNCEMENTS*****

VBS Information: Registration Forms, VBS Letter, and Field Trip Permission Forms are on the welcome table. Please give the completed forms to Beverly Smith by August 1, or you can register online at <https://www.sjrcl.org/>

Today

Sunday School for all ages, 10:45 a.m.

Wednesday

NO Choir Rehearsal

Coming

CCCC Sunday, July 30. A special offering will be taken to help our conference.

Vacation Bible School, August 7-11, 9:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.. For more information and registration visit <https://www.sjrcl.org/>

Church BBQ, Sunday, August 20, after Sunday school

*****PRAYER UPDATES*****

John Thomas has serious case of cellulitis on left foot.

Earl Herr recuperating from open heart surgery on July 14.

Joyce Bassler has a thyroid biopsy scheduled for July 27.

Tempie Musselman, Jeff Cottle's colleague's sister: cancer

Carol Crawford, Deb Bowser's aunt, had to have a second surgery.

Charlie Foor, Josephine's brother, cancer

*****NORTHERN BEDFORD FOOD PANTRY*****

The food pantry is requesting beef stew, compleats, canned pastas, cake mixes and icings, along with summer snacks for children for the month of July.

The flowers on the altar are given in honor of Christ our Lord for all the blessings He has granted us by Mark and Lauren Sell.

Sunday Live Stream Worship 9:30 AM

[St Johns Reformed Loysburg - YouTube](#)