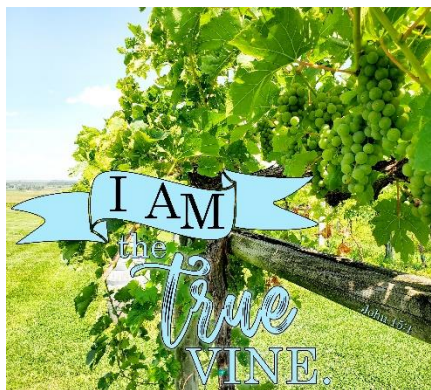


## No. 24



**Welcome to Alexanderwohl!**  
Jesus used the comparison of branches connected to a vine to invite the disciples to a spiritual connection with him. We have to be spiritually grounded in Christ in order to experience lasting peace and have the perseverance to work for peace.

**Gathering Music**      *Every Valley* ~arr. Linker      Mary Schmidt  
                                  *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* ~Page

**Welcome** Pastor Lois Harder

## Opportunities for Celebration and Service

## Call to Worship and Invocation+

Leader: We have come to meditate on the word of God.

**People:** that we might be like trees planted by streams of water.

Leader: We have come to listen to the words of Jesus,

**People:** that we might be branches abiding in the true vine.

Leader: Let us delight in this time of worship

**People:** that our joy might be complete.

**\*Gathering Hymns** *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* (vv. 1, 3, 4, 6) VT 203  
*Be Still and Know* VT 37

Children's Story

Rosi Reimer

**Congregational Song**     *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*     VT 638

**Morning Prayer** Pastor Lois

**Worship Music**    *Shine - Pass it On - He is the Light*    VBS Participants

**Camp 412 Sharing** Laura Unrau

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade VBS Sharing** Pastor Caleb Yoder

## Worship with Our Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory**      *We've Come This Far by Faith* [VT 599]    Mary Schmidt

**\*Prayer of Dedication** Pastor Caleb

## Scripture

John 15:1-17

Janice F. Voth

<b>Message</b>	"Connected to the source"	Pastor Caleb
<b>Song of Response</b>	<i>O Blessed Spring</i>	VT 522
<b>Responding to the Gospel</b>	(open sharing)	

## SENT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

<b>*Sending Song</b>	<i>You Shall Go Out with Joy</i>	VT 847
<b>*Benediction</b>		Pastor Caleb
<b>*Postlude</b>	<i>Lead Me, Guide Me</i> [VT 601]	Mary Schmidt

\*All who are able are invited to stand.

- + The peace lamp serves as a visual reminder for us that we follow Jesus the Prince of Peace and believe in uncertain times that God's shalom will prevail.

This service used resources from *Current: Seeking Peace Together* from the Shine Curriculum, written by Joanna Harader.

**Song Leader:** Braden Unruh

**Greeters:** North – Karl and Marcia Brubaker  
South – John and Jenny Fast

**Visual Arts:** VBS

**Nursery Staff:** Aileen Esau, Cambry Duerksen, Liz Schmucker

**Worship Technology:** DJ Flaming, Levi Schrag, Delton Voth

**June 4 Attendance:** Sunday School – 80; Worship -- 143 in person, 8 Zoom Households

**June 4 Offering:** Sunday School -- \$44.49; First Fruits – \$5,149.38

### Questions for Reflection – John 15:1-17

1. What is the difference between being a friend of Jesus and a servant of Jesus? Which are we?
2. What practices have enabled you to be connected to Christ as your source?
3. (Share joys and concerns in your own life)

Next Sunday we celebrate the baptisms of five young people. Pastor Caleb will reflect on Psalm 139:1-18 about how we are completely known and loved by God.

## *Praying for our Congregation and Beyond*

- ❖ We thank you God for all who helped to make VBS happen successfully! We're grateful for each student and we continue to pray for their faith development. We're grateful for everyone who was involved and the many ways people's gifts were offered.
- ❖ We pray for the baptismal candidates and their mentors as they prepare for baptism during next Sunday's worship service. Cambry Duerksen (mentor, Aileen Esau), Emma Schroeder (mentor, Tina Schrag) Mallory

Schroeder (mentor, Karen Unruh), Javin Schmidt (mentor, Jared Unrau), Noah Schrag (mentor, Kevin Gaeddert).

- ❖ We pray for parents who are in the throes and joys of raising children in the faith. Grant your patience, wisdom and guidance as we navigate these waters. Bless each parent and family with your love.
- ❖ We thank you God for recent rains. We pray for farmers as the wheat harvest begins.
- ❖ We pray for Gage Maley (June 11-15) and Celia Peters (June 15-17) as they go to Camp Mennoscah this week. We also pray for Timothy Schrag and Jacob Schrag who are on summer staff at Camp.

+*This week pray for: Les & Ann Flaming, DeWayne, Amy & Sophia Hiebert, Janell Klassen, Eric & Gretchen Schrag, Arlie & Kay Schroeder*

## THIS WEEK

### **Sunday, June 11**

9:30 am – Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship

### **Monday, June 12**

1:00-6:00 pm – Goessel Blood Drive, Goessel Church

4:30 pm – Prayer Team

7:00 pm – Church Council

### **Tuesday, June 13**

9:00 am – Staff Meeting

### **Wednesday, June 14**

7:00-8:30 pm – Book Study *East of Liberal* in the Chapel (Read Section 3 – Interlude through Chapter 12)

### **Friday, June 16**

10:00 am – Senior Coffee

### **Sunday, June 18**

9:30 am – Sunday School

10:30 am – Worship | Baptisms

## COMING EVENTS

June 21	USDA Commodities distribution in Goessel – see Announcement Sheet for details
June 21	Book Study in the Chapel
June 28	Final Book Study in the Chapel with Raylene Hinz-Penner
July 21	Senior Coffee
July 30	Pastor Caleb's farewell Sunday   Noon potluck meal

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Trustees are requesting that flowers and mason jars be picked up from the cemetery by Saturday, June 17th.** After that date all remaining flowers will be disposed of.

**Join us for Senior Coffee on Friday, June 16, at 10:00 am.** Glen Ediger will be our guest speaking on "Leave No Threshing Stone Unturned" -- The unique story of this antiquated farm implement that was used for threshing wheat.

**Reading Under the Stars!** AMC summer reading program June 1 – August 31 for preschool through adult. How many AMC library books can you read this summer? Let's see who reads the MOST books in each age group to qualify for a grand prize! Look for a flyer in your mailbox with more information. Questions? Contact DeLora Funk 316.727.9763.

**Blood Drive:** Start your summer with plans to donate blood on June 12, between 1:00-6:00 pm at the Goessel Church. June is a busy month, so extra effort will be needed for a successful drive. Make a single unit donation or a Power Red donation to help meet the needs. Sign up online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) for an appointment. For more information contact Nancy Stucky 620-747-0081 or Rosi Reimer 620-367-2418.