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# LeRoy Presbyterian Church 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost August 27, 2023 ~ 9:00 am

## Welcome and Announcements

### \*Call to Worship

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One: Even in the midst of our trials and tribulations, God is with us.

**All: God always surrounds us with love and mercy.**

One: Come, let us praise our God.

**All: Thank you, Lord, for your loving presence.**

### \*Hymn 8 vs 1 & 3

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

## Celebrations and Concerns

## Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

## Scripture

Psalm 124 & Exodus 1:8-2:10

## Children's Time

## Sermon "She Spies for Israel"

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### \*Hymn 12 vs 1 & 2

*God Will Take Care of You*

## Offering Invitation and Offering

### \*Doxology (inside front cover of Hymnal)

### \*Prayer of Dedication

Merciful Lord, you always give each of us whatever is best for us. You have provided each of us with unique gifts, and we thank you for the talents and abilities of people within this congregation. We are a blessed people! Now, we unite as one body to share in this joy-filled offering experience, thanking you for this opportunity to support the ministry and mission of this body of Christ. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

### \*Affirmation of Faith:

We believe in one body, the church, one Holy Spirit, one hope to which we are called, one Lord Jesus, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. Amen.

### \*Hymn 335 vs 1 & 2

*Take My Life, and Let It Be*

### \*Benediction

### \*Passing of the Peace

One: Let us now depart in thy peace, blessed Jesus.

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## Psalm 124

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<sup>2</sup> if the Lord had not been on our side when people attacked us,

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<sup>6</sup> Praise be to the Lord, who has not let us be torn by their teeth.

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the snare has been broken, and we have escaped.

<sup>8</sup> Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

## Exodus 1:8-2:10

<sup>8</sup> Then a new king, to whom Joseph meant nothing, came to power in Egypt. <sup>9</sup> "Look," he said to his people, "the Israelites have become far too numerous for us. <sup>10</sup> Come, we must deal shrewdly with them or they will become even more numerous and, if war breaks out, will join our enemies, fight against us and leave the country." <sup>11</sup> So they put slave masters over them to oppress them with forced labor, and they built Pithom and Rameses as store cities for Pharaoh. <sup>12</sup> But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread; so the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites <sup>13</sup> and worked them ruthlessly. <sup>14</sup> They made their lives bitter with harsh labor in brick and mortar and with all kinds of work in the fields; in all their harsh labor the Egyptians worked them ruthlessly.

<sup>15</sup> The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, whose names were Shiphrah and Puah, <sup>16</sup> "When you are helping the Hebrew women during childbirth on the delivery stool, if you see that the baby is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, let her live." <sup>17</sup> The midwives, however, feared God and did not do what the king of Egypt had told them to do; they let the boys live. <sup>18</sup> Then the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and asked them, "Why have you done this? Why have you let the boys live?" <sup>19</sup> The midwives answered Pharaoh, "Hebrew women are not like Egyptian women; they are vigorous and give birth before the midwives arrive." <sup>20</sup> So God was kind to the midwives and the people increased and became even more numerous. <sup>21</sup> And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families of their own. <sup>22</sup> Then Pharaoh gave this order to all his people: "Every Hebrew boy that is born you must throw into the Nile, but let every girl live."

<sup>2</sup> Now a man of the tribe of Levi married a Levite woman, <sup>2</sup> and she became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him for three months. <sup>3</sup> But when she could hide him no longer, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with tar and pitch. Then she placed the child in it and put it among the reeds along the bank of the Nile. <sup>4</sup> His sister stood at a distance to see what would happen to him.

Then Pharaoh's daughter went down to the Nile to bathe, and her attendants were walking along the riverbank. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her female slave to get it. <sup>6</sup> She opened it and saw the baby. He was crying, and she felt sorry for him. "This is one of the Hebrew babies," she said. <sup>7</sup> Then his sister asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get one of the Hebrew women to nurse the baby for you?" <sup>8</sup> "Yes, go," she answered. So the girl went and got the baby's mother. <sup>9</sup> Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this baby and nurse him for me, and I will pay you." So the woman took the baby and nursed him. <sup>10</sup> When the child grew older, she took him to Pharaoh's daughter and he became her son. She named him Moses, saying, "I drew him out of the water."

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**Check the Bulletin Board**  
For a congratulatory letter from  
The Methodist District Superintendent  
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**Bible Study of Exodus**  
Begins Thursday, Sept. 7  
@1:30 pm in HCUMC Fellowship Hall  
Study Books now available  
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**TUF Team Planning Meeting**  
**@ HCUMC**  
Wednesday, August 30 @ 2:00 pm  
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**Harvest Festival Raffle Tickets**  
Available NOW in church office  
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Christ Community United Methodist Parish  
(Corydon, Allerton, New Zion, Lineville &  
Millerton) is offering a Disciple 1 Bible Study.  
This year-long study will be done on-line.  
To register go to: [App Instructions –  
BeADisciple Study App \(beadiscipleapp.com\)](#)  
. Christ Community's study group ID is  
A1040  
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Names will remain on the prayer list for two Sundays following the first request.

**Family of Dave Street**

**Sue** – health issues, Ed Coffey's sister-in-law

**Patricia** – terminal lung cancer, Jayma Smith's cousin

**Two small boys whose father died in boating accident**

**Students, teachers, administrators**

**Wyatt** – appendectomy recovery and healing for broken leg

**Lahaina Fire Victims**

**Family of Rex Francisco**

**Elizabeth** – health issues, Garland's mother

**Kinsley** – leukemia treatments, great granddaughter of Tom & Linda Watkins

**Celebrations**

**Scott Smith** – back at work

**Josh** – in remission from lymphoma, Linda Richardson's grandson

**Klaire Shanks** – Reserve Grand Champion @ Iowa State Fair

**Skylar Coffey** – Reserve Grand Champion Heifer at Iowa State Fair

**LeRoy Harvest Festival Coming Soon!**  
**Saturday, September 23**  
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### \*Hymn 117 vs. 1 - 4

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### \*Doxology Hymn 95

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United Methodist Church  
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