

SUNDAY ORDER OF WORSHIP

11:00 AM

June 28, 2026 - Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

[Please stand, as able, where indicated.]

GATHERING

PRELUDE

MINISTRY OF FRIENDSHIP - ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY:

- **FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
- **PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES AND SMART WATCHES**
- **WELCOME TO ALL THOSE WHO ARE VISITING WITH US TODAY**

[Please stand as you are able]

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: 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



C Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth.
I
II For you a- lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.
C Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
 glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo- ple on earth,
 and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray...(silence) O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

[Please sit]

WORD

FIRST READING Jeremiah 28:5-9

Through a symbolic action, Jeremiah insisted that Judah and all the surrounding nations should submit to the king of Babylon. Hananiah contradicted Jeremiah, who in reply insisted that Hananiah's rosy prediction should not be believed until it came true. God confirmed the word of Jeremiah and sentenced the false prophet Hananiah to death.

Lector: A reading from Jeremiah.

Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 89:1-4, 15-18

L: Your love, O LORD, forever will I sing;
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

**C: For I am persuaded that your love is established forever;
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.**

L: "I have made a covenant with my chosen one;
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

**C: 'I will establish your line forever,
and preserve your throne for all generations.'"**

L: Happy are the people who know the festal shout!
They walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.

**C: They rejoice daily in your name;
they are jubilant in your righteousness.**

L: For you are the glory of their strength,
and by your favor our might is exalted.

**C: Truly, the LORD is our ruler;
the Holy One of Israel is our king.**

SECOND READING Romans 6:12-23

Sin is an enslaving power that motivates us to live self-serving, disobedient lives. Sin's final payoff is death. We, however, have been set free from sin's slavery to live obediently under God's grace, whose end is the free gift of eternal life.

Lector: A reading from Romans.

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

[Please stand as you are able]

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 10:40-42

When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry

P: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the twelve: Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple — truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

P: The Holy Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

[Please sit]

SERMON

Pastor Finley

[Please stand as you are able]

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak

ELW 676

PROFESSION OF FAITH: APOSTLES' CREED

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 into hell.

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 OF THE FAITHFUL

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

God of the prophets, your word of love is true. Sometimes your words come to us as challenges in our lives and we don't want to believe them. Sometimes your words come as comfort and we cling to them. Send trustworthy messengers into this world. Raise up for your church preachers, teachers and volunteers whose words and actions teach others of your never-ending love.

A: Lord in your mercy. **C:** Hear our prayer.

A: Steadfast Lord God, your love for all humanity is established forever. Yet, here on earth we continue to divide ourselves along lines of nationality, economics, education and so many other human-made categories. Help us to understand that we are all one people in you. Wipe away prejudice and distrust so all people can know your peace.

A: Lord in your mercy. **C:** Hear our prayer.

A: Life-giving God, your promise to forgive sins was proven when your Son, Jesus, overcame death and the grave. We pray for those who feel trapped in sinful lives. We pray for those who think they have no sin. We pray for ourselves, that we may recognize our own need and, in turning to you, might be cleansed. Help us to be messengers to others, spreading abroad your offer of hope and love.

A: Lord in your mercy. **C:** Hear our prayer.

A: Welcoming God, you offer fresh water to those who thirst. You are ever mindful of the little ones and their needs. Be with these friends and loved ones we name silently in our hearts and with our voices now... *(long pause)* ... Embrace them with your comforting hope.

A: Lord in your mercy. **C:** Hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C:** And also with you.

THE OFFERTORY

C Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A: Blessed are you,

C: O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

P: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

☩ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father:

Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign.

You have filled all creation with light and life;

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations.

You rescued Israel, your chosen people.

Through the prophets you renewed your promise;

and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son,

who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom

and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

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.

For as often as we eat of his body and drink of his blood

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Therefore, gracious Father, with Christ's body and blood

we remember the life our Lord offered for us.

And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power

to share with us the great and promised feast.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit,

the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection,

that we who receive the Lord's body and blood

may live to the praise of your glory

and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place,
and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest
until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

C: Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as
we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from
evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

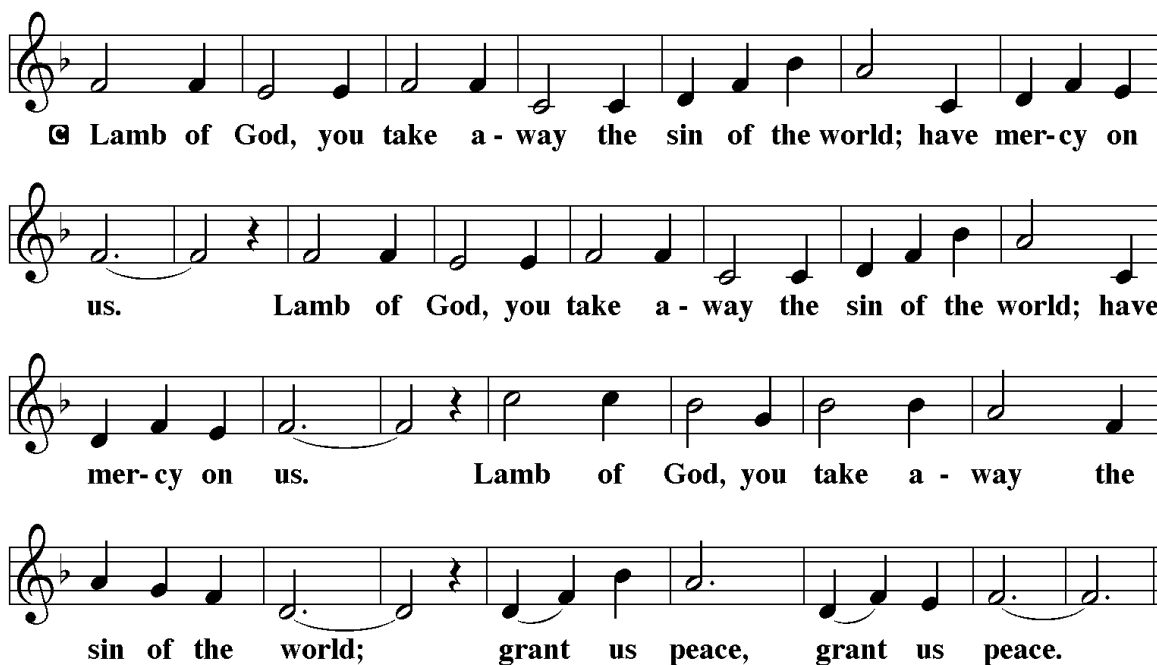
INVITATION & FRACTURE

P: This is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.

C: Lord, give us this bread always.

[Please sit]

LAMB OF GOD



☒ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION: INTINCTION AND COMMON CUP

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

[Please stand as you are able]

TABLE BLESSING

P: May this true body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

SENDING OF SHEPHERDS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

P: O God, our help and shield: as Jesus sent out his followers as laborers in the field: bless those who go forth to share your word and sacrament with our absent sisters and brothers. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those to whom we bring this Holy Eucharist, that through the body and blood of your Son, we may all know the mystery of Christ in us, the hope of glory.

C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING

SENDING HYMN

To Be Your Presence

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BLESSING

P: Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

DISMISSAL

A: Glorify God. Spread the Word.

C: Love One Another.

POSTLUDE