

# WELCOME

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SAT. JUNE 20/SUN. JUNE 21, 2026



*“Do Not Be Afraid”*

## WELCOME

### AS WE GATHER

America has suffered from a crisis of fatherhood – absent or poor fathers. As a church, we work earnestly to strengthen and fortify fathers to help them be gentle, loving, but strong, hard-working, and truth-loving spiritual leaders. Yet the most important part of this equation is that God Himself has revealed that He is our Father. As we get to know Him from Whom all Fatherhood is known, we can have every need met and every longing fulfilled in its eternal dimensions.

### ✠ PREPARATION ✠

### OPENING HYMN

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

LSB 725

*Hyperlink*

<https://youtu.be/Xc1sjWvRAzQ?si=UjldKr5z4171jr0q>

**1 Children of the heav'nly Father  
Safely in His bosom gather.  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven  
Such a refuge e'er was given.**

**2 God His own doth tend and nourish,  
In His holy courts they flourish.  
From all evil things He spares them,  
In His mighty arms He bears them.**

**3 Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord His children sever.  
Unto them His grace He showeth,  
And their sorrows all He knoweth.**

**4 Though He giveth or He taketh,  
God His children ne'er forsaketh.  
His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy.**

## **INVOCATION**

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the  
Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*1 John 1:8-9*

**Pastor:** If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will  
forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**People:** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature  
sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

**Pastor:** Upon this, your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.

**☩ WORD ☩**

**KYRIE**

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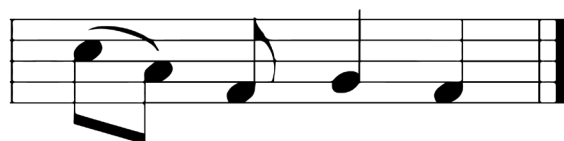
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**C** Lord, have mer - cy;



Christ, have mer - cy;



Lord, have mer - cy.

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

“All Glory Be to God Alone”

*LSB 948, St. 1 & 2*

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**All glory be to God alone,  
Forevermore the highest one,  
Who did our sinful race befriend  
And grace and peace to us extend.  
Among us may His gracious will  
All hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.  
We praise You, God, Your name we bless  
And worship You in humbleness;  
From day to day we glorify  
The everlasting God on high.  
Of Your great glory do we sing,  
And to Your throne our thanks we bring.**

## **SALUTATION**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Pastor:** Let us pray.

Father in heaven, You showed Your great love in rescuing us sinners and setting us free from death; grant to us grace to use Your gift of liberty to show forth in our lives the righteousness of Christ, forsaking evil for good, and, by the power of Your Spirit, bearing the fruits of the Spirit in our lives; through Him who died that we might live and who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Jeremiah 20:7–13*

<sup>7</sup> O LORD, you have deceived me,  
and I was deceived;  
you are stronger than I,  
and you have prevailed.

I have become a laughingstock all the day;  
everyone mocks me.

<sup>8</sup> For whenever I speak, I cry out,  
I shout, “Violence and destruction!”

For the word of the LORD has become for me  
a reproach and derision all day long.

<sup>9</sup> If I say, “I will not mention him,  
or speak any more in his name,”  
there is in my heart as it were a burning fire  
shut up in my bones,  
and I am weary with holding it in,  
and I cannot.

<sup>10</sup> For I hear many whispering.  
Terror is on every side!

“Denounce him! Let us denounce him!”  
say all my close friends,  
watching for my fall.

“Perhaps he will be deceived;  
then we can overcome him  
and take our revenge on him.”

<sup>11</sup> But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior;  
therefore my persecutors will stumble;  
they will not overcome me.

They will be greatly shamed,

for they will not succeed.  
Their eternal dishonor  
will never be forgotten.  
<sup>12</sup> O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous,  
who sees the heart and the mind,  
let me see your vengeance upon them,  
for to you have I committed my cause.  
<sup>13</sup> Sing to the LORD;  
praise the LORD!  
For he has delivered the life of the needy  
from the hand of evildoers.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**SOLO** “Sweet Hour of Prayer”

*Cheryl Grey*

**EPISTLE** *Romans 6:12–23*

<sup>12</sup> Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. <sup>13</sup> Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. <sup>14</sup> For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

<sup>15</sup> What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup> 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? <sup>17</sup> But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, <sup>18</sup> and, having been set free from sin, have become

slaves of righteousness. <sup>19</sup> 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 lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

<sup>20</sup> For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup> But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup> But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. <sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## VERSE

*Matthew 10:32*

Pastor: Alleluia. Everyone who acknowledges Me before men,

**People: I also will acknowledge before My Father who is in heaven. Alleluia.**

## HOLY GOSPEL

*Matthew 10:5a, 21–33*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>5</sup> These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, “Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans,

<sup>21</sup> Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, <sup>22</sup> and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the

one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup> When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

<sup>24</sup> “A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup> It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

<sup>26</sup> “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. <sup>27</sup> What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. <sup>28</sup> And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup> But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup> Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup> So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, <sup>33</sup> but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** “Faith of Our Fathers”

*Hyperlink*

<https://youtu.be/7EVPVS9EGeQ?si=xDQTV02D8Jc8LxOa>

**Faith of our fathers! Living still  
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword;  
O how our hearts beat high with joy  
When'er we hear that glorious Word!  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death.**

**Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,  
Were still in heart and conscience free;  
How sure will be their children's peace  
If they, like them, contend for thee!  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death.**

**Faith of our fathers! We will love  
Both friend and foe in all our strife;  
And preach thee, too, as love knows how,  
By kindly words and virtuous life.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!  
We will be true to thee till death.**

Frederick W. Faber, 1849

Henry F. Hemy, 1864

Arr. James G. Walton, 1874

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**SERMON**

*Rev. Dr. Timothy Oswald*

## **CONFESSION OF FAITH - The Nicene Creed**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven and sits**

**at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

### **OFFERING**

#### **✠ SACRAMENT ✠**

### **PREFACE**

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

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

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

### **PROPER PREFACE**

**Pastor:** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking

on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**SANCTUS**

*LSB 507, St. 1 & 4*

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<https://youtu.be/nVjtUByp2ok?si=k6PuN2WVJjUwE4rY>

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples saying, *“Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”*

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, *“Drink ye all of it; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me.”*

## **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST** *1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20*

**Pastor:** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we  
proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**People:** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Pastor:** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to  
pray:

**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.**

## **PAX DOMINI**

**Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People:** Amen.

## **AGNUS DEI**

*LSB, page 198*

*Hyperlink*

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**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God,  
that takest away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God  
that takest away the sin of the world,  
have mercy upon us.**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God,  
that takest away the sin of the world,  
grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

## ✠DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION✠

*By communing, a person says publicly that they -*

- are baptized and confirmed*
- believe Christ's words*
- repent of their sins*
- fully agree with all that the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod teaches.*

*How to receive –*

- anyone may come to the altar but keep hands folded if not receiving Communion*
- the center of the tray has a cup with just a drop of wine for those who must minimize alcohol*
- smile, exude your joy, but keep a reverent demeanor as others commune*

### DISTRIBUTION HYMN

**“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”**

*LSB 384 St. 1-4*

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**1 Of the Father’s love begotten Ere the worlds began to be,  
He is Alpha and Omega,  
He the source, the ending He,  
Of the things that are, that have been,  
And that future years shall see  
Evermore and evermore.**

**2 Oh, that birth forever blessed,  
When the virgin, full of grace,  
By the Holy Ghost conceiving,  
Bore the Savior of our race,  
And the babe, the world’s Redeemer,  
First revealed His sacred face  
Evermore and evermore.**

**3 This is He whom seers in old time Chanted of with one accord,  
Whom the voices of the prophets  
Promised in their faithful word.  
Now He shines, the long-expected;  
Let creation praise its Lord  
Evermore and evermore.**

**4 O ye heights of heav'n, adore Him;  
Angel hosts,  
His praises sing. Pow'rs, dominions,  
bow before Him  
And extol our God and King.  
Let no tongue on earth be silent,  
Ev'ry voice in concert ring  
Evermore and evermore.**

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

*LSB, pages 199-200*

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**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace  
According to Thy word,  
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou has prepared before the face of all people,  
a light to lighten the Gentiles  
and the glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.**

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**Pastor:** Almighty and everlasting God, since You have revealed Your glory to all nations in Jesus Christ and in the Word of His truth, keep, we ask You, in safety the works of Your mercy so that Your church, spread throughout all the nations, may be defended against the adversary and may serve You in true faith and persevere in the confession of Your name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People:** Amen.

## **BENEDICTION**

*Numbers 6:24–26*

**Pastor:** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**People:** Amen.

## **CLOSING HYMN “This Is My Father’s World”**

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<https://youtu.be/YF2E-gcWd5s?si=0wUPkBNkPbstP372>

**This is my Father’s world, and to my listening ears  
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.**

**This is my Father’s world: I rest me in the thought  
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas-His hand the wonders  
wrought.**

**This is my Father’s world, the birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker’s praise.**

**This is my Father’s world: He shines in all that’s fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me  
everywhere.**

**This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world: The battle is not done;  
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav'n be one.**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT: “Dedicated to knowing Christ and making Christ known to others”**

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- **Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Timothy Oswald
- **Liturgist (Sun.)** Rev. Maurice Lind, Pastor Emeritus
- **Sat. Organist:** Lina Schaal
- **Sun. Organist:** George Kelm
- **Choir Director:** Gail Feick
- **Ensemble Coordinator:** Tabra Gomski
- **A/V Team:** Brian & Amanda Larie  
Stan & Cheryl Grey, Dawn Oswald
  
- **Please call (757-831-6948) or e-mail Pastor Oswald ([oswald1@charter.net](mailto:oswald1@charter.net)) with your prayer requests.**
  
- **JUNE-AUGUST 2026 HOPE HERALD can be viewed on our website or there are copies are on the table in the narthex.**

- **INTERESTED IN A SMALL GROUP** setting study of the Book of Numbers? Please see Pastor or Mike Gomski.
- **GOOD SHEPHERD, PLEASANT PRAIRIE** is hiring for a part-time preschool teacher. Working hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 8:30am-12:30pm during the academic year. We are a small preschool with a dedicated and caring staff. Interested in joining our team? Contact Liz Colvin at [gspreschool34@gmail.com](mailto:gspreschool34@gmail.com) or 847-910-4040.
- **THE SILENT AUCTION** log book is on a table in the back of the fellowship hall downstairs. Please log in any items your bring and give any gift cards/other valuables to Phyllis to be locked up. Other items can be put on the table. If you would like to make up a silent auction basket, baskets and supplies (shrink wrap bags, pipe cleaners, ribbon) are also on a table in the back downstairs. Please take what you need. Baskets do not need to be wrapped.
- **HELP NEEDED – JULY 11 CAR SHOW:** Sign-up sheets for helping and donations for food such as pop (cans), water bottles, hamburger buns, french bread loaves for garlic bread are in the narthex. Please see Gail with questions.
- **TASTY FELLOWSHIP:** We would appreciate additional help in providing treats after Sunday services. If you are interested or would like more information, please see Tami Voigt.

### **THIS WEEK**

**Reader:**

**Gail Feick**

**Communion: Paul Trettin**  
**Ushers: Joeseph & Trina Metz**  
**Fellowship: Phyllis Klen**  
**Altar Guild: John & Peggy Tueting**

**NEXT WEEK**

**Reader: Dawn Oswald**  
**Communion: Paul Trettin**  
**Ushers: Gary & Mike Schaetten**  
**Fellowship: Rita & Gary Estes**  
**Altar Guild: John & Peggy Tueting**

**BIRTHDAYS**

**06/24 Joanne Grzonka**  
**06/24 Mike Schaetten**  
**06/24 Savannah Walton**  
**06/25 Phyllis Klen**

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**6/29 Jeannine & John Clark**

**Calendar of Events This Week**

**06/22/26–06/28/26**

**Thursday: 6:00pm AA Meeting**  
**Saturday: 9:30am Worship Service**  
**Sunday: 9:00am Worship Service**

**10:20am Bible Study**  
**7:00pm AA Meeting**