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SUNDAY**

**Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church  
A congregation of the North American Lutheran Church  
& Augsburg Lutheran Churches  
2903 State Hwy 155 PO Box 130 (715) 542-3701  
Sayner, Wisconsin 54560**

May 31, 2026

# Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

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Website: [www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org](http://www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org)

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## Church Service Sundays at 9:00 a.m.


### *WELCOME GUESTS*

*We invite you to sign our guest book and/or complete a visitor card to help us remember you. Here at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church we celebrate Holy Communion whenever we gather, and we would like to invite you to join us, as **all** are welcome to the Lord's table here. Thank you for joining us.*

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the power of the Holy Spirit and rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, we are a loving community that follows Jesus & seeks to hear the Word of God and practice it in our daily lives.

### Recorded Services:

All Sunday services at Shepherd of the Lakes are recorded and put on You Tube. Go to the Church website at [www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org](http://www.shepherdofthelakeschurch.org) and look for the  symbol. Click on this symbol to take you to the Church's YouTube site.

*For those of you worshipping with us at home – You can mail your donations to:  
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## **Readings for June 7, 2026 Second Sunday After Pentecost**

<b>First Reading</b>	Hosea 5: 15 – 6: 6
<b>Psalm</b>	50: 7 - 15
<b>Second Reading</b>	Romans 4: 13 - 25
<b>Holy Gospel</b>	Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26

### **Light, Warmth, and Watering**

The weeks of summer coincide with the beginning of the Pentecost season. Summer brings sunny warmth, growing crops, and the promise of harvest: images of the Holy Spirit's presence and activity in our lives, the church, and the world. Hosea speaks of God's presence as the dawn, as a gentle shower, as light. In our life together as a community of faith, what needs light, warmth, and watering to grow and flourish? How might we be attentive to others' needs to receive this nourishment through God's words of life and holy supper?

### **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES AT 9:00 A.M.**

Holy Communion is offered at every service. All are welcome. The Sunday service will be live-streamed and recorded and available for viewing on YouTube later on Sundays.

### **ATTENDANCE ON May 24<sup>th</sup>: 36**

### **CLOTHING EXCHANGE**

On June 27<sup>th</sup>, Katy Brooker will be hosting a Clothing Exchange at church. She is asking that people donate clothing (up to 20 pieces), and for each piece of clothing donated, they will receive a "coupon" for that same number of pieces of clothing that they can exchange for free. Katy will not make any money on this project – her goal is to "recycle" clothing to refresh your closets and help out those who may need a helping hand. She would also like to offer "free" coupons to those in need. If you are interested in participating, (or if you are aware of someone needing a helping hand), please contact Katy at (715) 892-7061. Any money donated for clothing will be added to the donations people give for use of the church - Katy will put a donation bucket near the door asking for donations for the church.

## **ALTAR FLOWERS - INFORMATION ON HOW TO SIGN UP**

Contact Person - Jo Ann Kehl Cell 715-892-0413

The Sign-Up Sheets are located in the Narthex on the shelf under the Lutheran Rose.

### ***STEP ONE:***

Sign up for the date you wish to provide the set of two altar bouquets

### ***STEP TWO:***

You can provide flowers in two ways:

1. You may purchase your own flowers and bring them to church.
2. You may contact Jo Ann Kehl and she will order them for you. Just let her know what flowers you would like and how much you would like to spend. You can then write a check to Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church for that amount and designate it as ***Altar Flower Donation.***

ANY QUESTIONS? Contact Jo Ann

## **WEEKEND BACKPACK PROGRAM**

Please consider making a donation for this very worthwhile program headed up by the KriECK family. Pink envelopes are located on the Narthex table for your use.

## **QUILTING**

Please join the quilting group at 9 a.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. You don't need to know how to quilt or sew – if you can tie knots, they can use your help!

## **BIBLE STUDY “THE CHOSEN” SUSPENDED FOR THE SUMMER**

This Bible Study will resume after Labor Day Weekend.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

If you would be interested in helping at either the Community Picnic to be held on August 1 or the Popcorn Event during the Fourth of July Parade, we would love to have you! Contact Barb Steinhilber for “*the Picnic on Sat., August 1..... we need lots of helpers!*” Contact Jean Maines for the Popcorn Event. The popcorn will be served in the late afternoon and evening. Signup sheets will be posted later in June. There are lots of ways you can be a part of these events!



## PRAYER REQUESTS

### **Pray for those dealing with current issues:**

Dick, Alyce, Teresa, Holli, Beth, Tracey, Bonnie, Marsha, Jessica, Deb, Tom, Lloyd, Kendy, Jim C. and Sharon B.

*(Please let us know if/when names should be removed from this “current issues” list or moved to “ongoing list”)*

### **Pray for those with ongoing health issues:**

Larry, Mary Lou, Graham, Ericka, Mike, Shelle, Sharon G., Bob, Ron, Carolyn, Beth, Shirley, John, Kim, and Barb.

### **Pray for those serving in the Armed Forces:**

Adam & Brittany, Brooks, Will, Sgt. Keara, Alex, Jared, and Dylan

### **Pray for those in nursing homes or homebound:**

Elisabeth

### **Pray for peace and consoling comfort for the families of those who have passed:**

Family of Janet Kazda, Family ties to several members of the congregation

### **Special Prayers**

***Please keep our church council, the Call Committee and every member of this congregation in your prayers as we search for a new Shepherd.***

*Please or email Jean Maines at [treasurer@SOTLsayner.com](mailto:treasurer@SOTLsayner.com) or text her at 715-891-3344 or contact Sharon Brooker at [plclerk@gmail.com](mailto:plclerk@gmail.com) or text her at 715-892-7049, if you would like to be included on the prayer chain list or if you are in need of prayers.*



## **EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE WORK DAY**

Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9:00 a.m. The work to be completed includes power washing exterior siding, repairs and painting of exterior window and door trim, and removal of pavilion walls. Rain date to be Monday June 22, 2026.

## **CONTACT INFO**

*In addition to the listed office hours, we are also available anytime by phone!*

Treasurer – Jean Maines (715) 542-4213 or (715) 891-3344

Email: [treasurer@sotlsayner.com](mailto:treasurer@sotlsayner.com) or [jamaines2012@gmail.com](mailto:jmaines2012@gmail.com)

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Office Hours on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons

## **BOOKSHELF REMINDER**

Remember to check out the bookshelves in the south entryway! All books are there to be shared and you are also welcome to leave books if you wish.

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**“The Holy Trinity” May 31, 2026**



## Greeting & Announcements

### Invocation

*(Please remain seated.)*

In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## Confession And Forgiveness

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

Gracious God,

**Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

Beloved, God’s word never fails. The promise rests on grace: by the saving love of Jesus Christ, the wisdom and power of God, your sins are ☩ forgiven, and God remembers them no more. Journey in the way of Jesus.

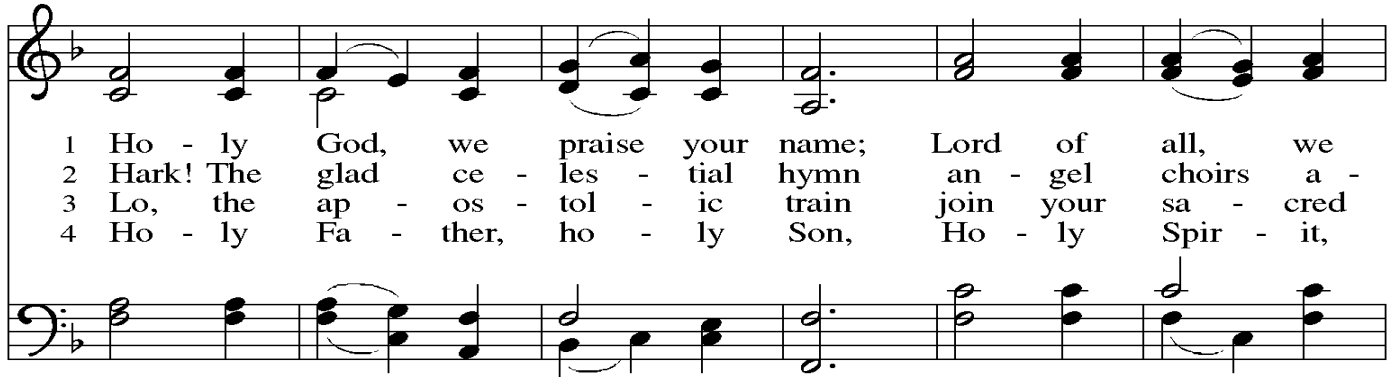
**Amen**

# Gathering Song

## “Holy God, We Praise Your Name” ELW 414

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

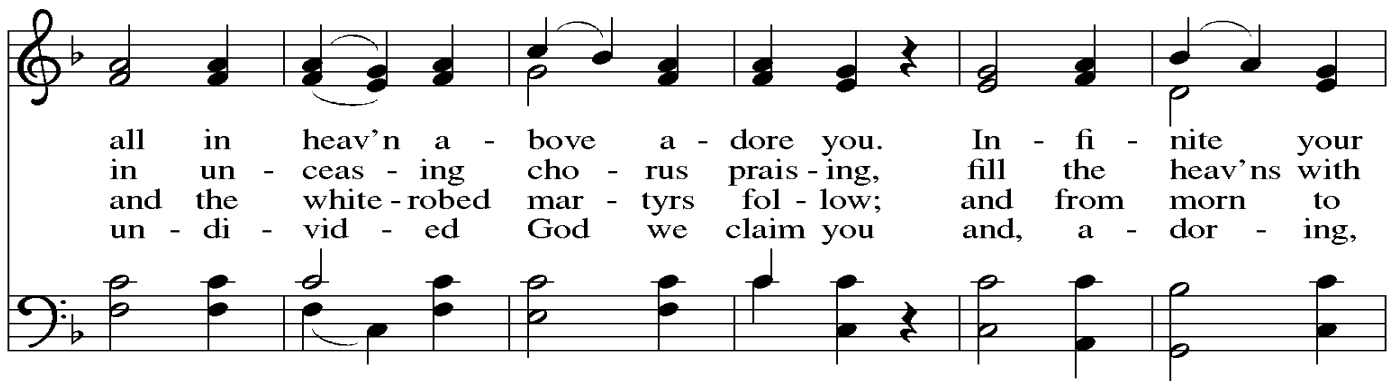
### Holy God, We Praise Your Name



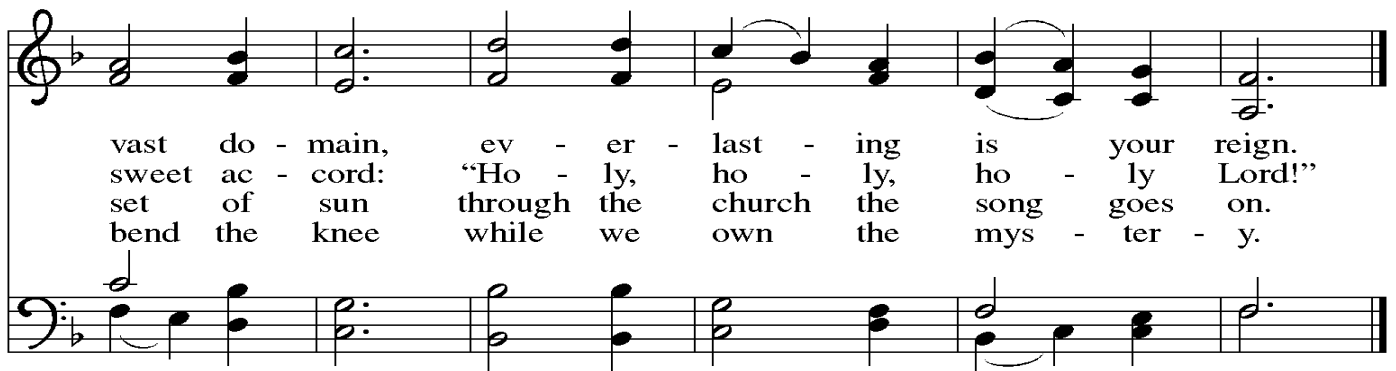
1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we  
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -  
3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred  
4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,  
bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,  
name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,  
three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;



all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your  
in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with  
and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to  
un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.  
sweet ac - cord: “Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!”  
set of sun through the church the song goes on.  
bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## Holy Trinity

Come, let us worship Almighty God.

**Let us lift up our songs, our prayers, our praises.**

Come, let us honor Christ Jesus.

**Let us love Christ with our hearts, our minds, our spirits.**

Come, let us be filled with the Spirit of the Living God.

**Breathe in us, Breath of God. Alleluia.**

## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray....

**Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

**First Reading    Genesis 1: 1—2: 4a**

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 8**

<sup>1</sup> O Lord our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth! —

<sup>2</sup> **You whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.**

<sup>3</sup> When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

<sup>4</sup> **what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,  
human beings that you should care for them?**

<sup>5</sup> Yet you have made them little less than divine;  
with glory and honor you crown them.

<sup>6</sup> **You have made them rule over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet:**

<sup>7</sup> all flocks and cattle,  
even the wild beasts of the field,

<sup>8</sup> **the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,  
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

<sup>9</sup> O Lord our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

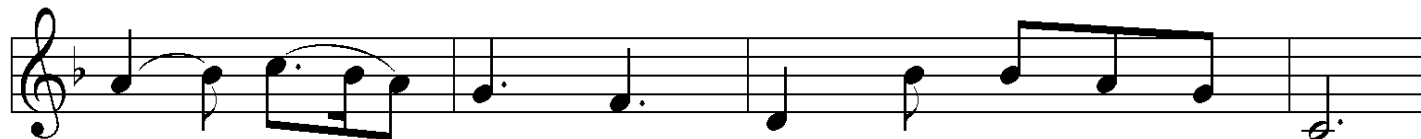
**Second Reading    2 Corinthians 13: 11-13**

The word of the Lord.

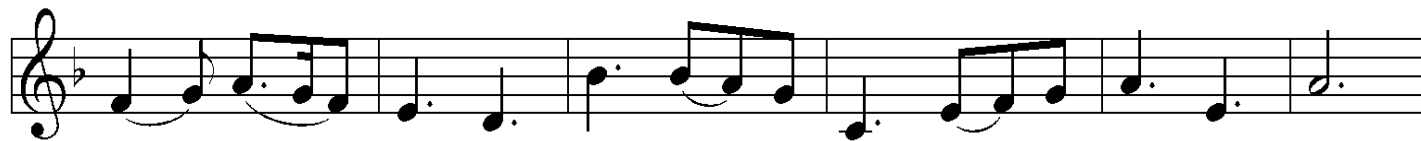
**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

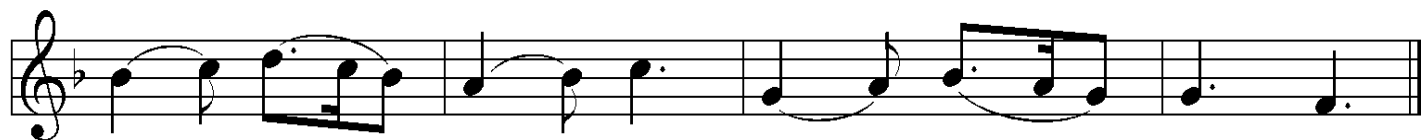
*(Please stand as you are comfortable)*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel According to....

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel Reading Matthew 28: 16-20**

The Gospel of the Lord.

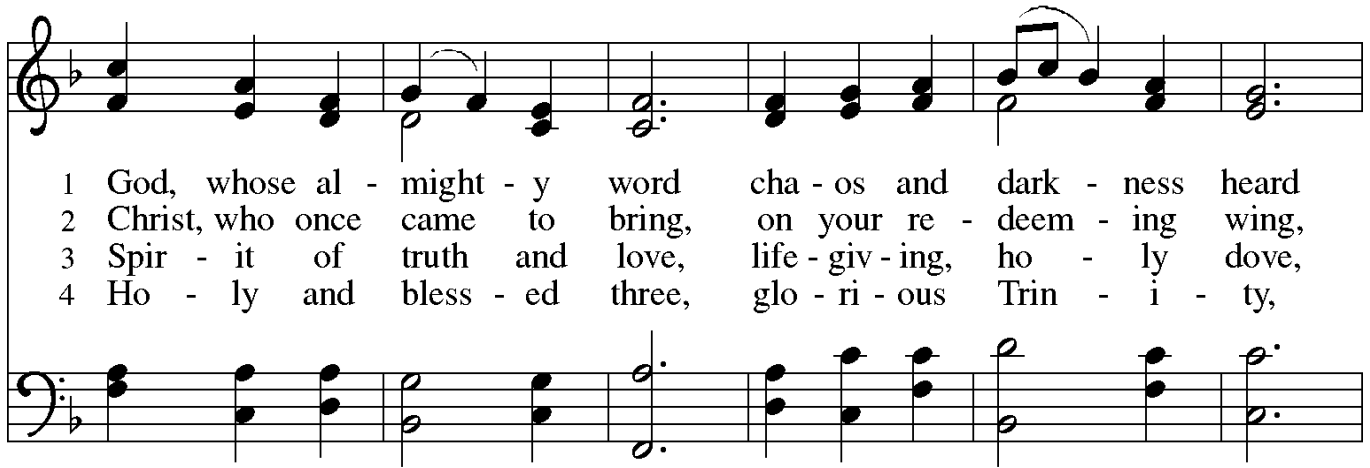
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be Seated)*

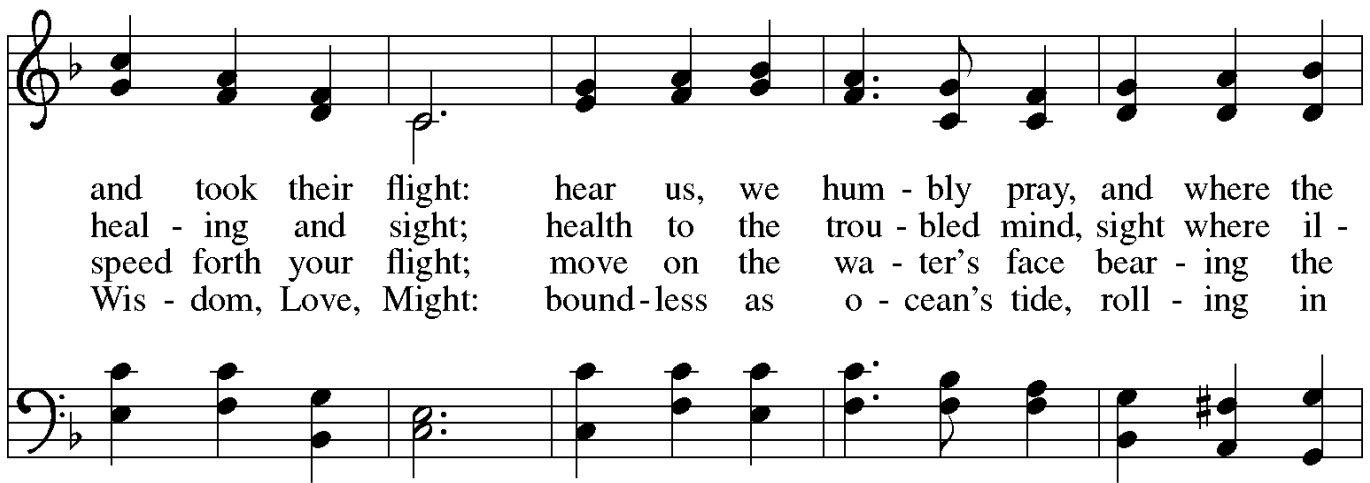
**Sermon**

(Please Stand as you are comfortable)


# God, Whose Almighty Word



1 God, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard  
 2 Christ, who once came to bring, on your re - deem - ing wing,  
 3 Spir - it of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly dove,  
 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight: hear us, we hum - bly pray, and where the  
 heal - ing and sight; health to the trou - bled mind, sight where il -  
 speed forth your flight; move on the wa - ter's face bear - ing the  
 Wis - dom, Love, Might: bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light.  
 lu - sions blind; oh, now to hu - man-kind let there be light.  
 lamp of grace, and in earth's dark - est place let there be light.  
 full - est pride, through the earth, far and wide, let there be light.

Text: John Marriott, 1780–1825, alt.  
 Music: ITALIAN HYMN, Felice de Giardini, 1716–1796

## ***Nicene Creed***

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.  
Amen**

## **Prayers of the People**

## **Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
And also with you.

*(Please share the peace as you are comfortable)*

**Offering** (We will receive our offering today in the traditional manner)

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## **Presentation Of Gifts**

*(Please stand as you are comfortable and join in the offertory hymn)*

## **Offertory Prayer**

Merciful God,

**you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing.**

**You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it.**

**Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it.**

**We pray this through Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **Eucharistic Prayer**

*Today's elements have been consecrated by Pastor Thomas Reiff.*

As we gather before these consecrated elements of bread and wine for the celebration of Holy Communion, we hear again the story of God's mighty acts and of the love shown us in the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

With thanksgiving we remembered that "in the night in which he was betrayed, he 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."

We are given assurance of our Lord's presence through the gift of his Holy Spirit. As we prepare to receive this bread of life and this cup of blessing, we pray that we may be strengthened through our participation in the body of Christ.

I invite you join with me and let us pray with confidence the words that our Savior gave us.

## **Lords Prayer**

**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**

**Distribution**      *(As the ushers direct people to communion, please be seated.)*

*All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Small children and others that wish not to commune may come forward for a blessing.*

***ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE.***

*Please come forward as the ushers direct, receive the bread in your hand and then receive the wine by dipping the host into the wine (chalice). Grape juice is also offered as an alternative to the wine in the clear chalice. We also have gluten free wafers for those in need, simply ask for them when you come forward*

## Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

1 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as  
 2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - 'lers  
 3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time  
 4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh I'll  
 5 Will you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as

Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to  
 on the road; we are here to help each oth - er  
 of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,  
 laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row  
 Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to

let you be my ser - vant, too.  
 walk the mile and bear the load.  
 speak the peace you long to hear.  
 till we've seen this jour - ney through.  
 let you be my ser - vant, too.

Text: Richard Gillard, b. 1953

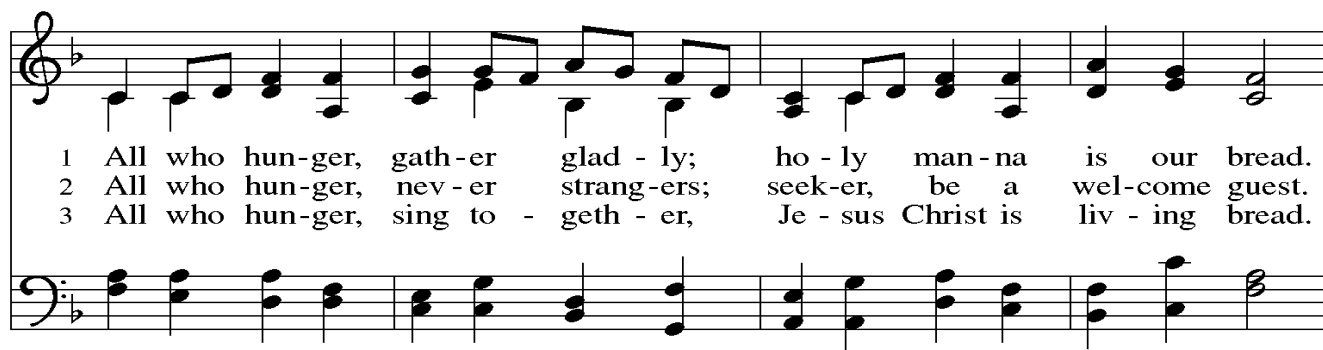
Music: THE SERVANT SONG, Richard Gillard; arr. Betty Pulkingham, b. 1928

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*“All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly” ELW 461*

## All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.  
2 All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel-come guest.  
3 All who hun-ger, sing to- geth-er, Je- sus Christ is liv- ing bread.



Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.  
Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.  
Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.  
We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.  
Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.



Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
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Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

Music: HOLY MANNA, W. Moore, *Columbian Harmony*, 1825; arr. hymnal version

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**Communion Blessing**    *(Please stand as you are comfortable)*

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ  
strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**Amen**

**Prayer**

Compassionate God,

**Through the gifts of bread and wine  
our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love.  
Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal,  
may share your love freely, as you have shared with us.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus,  
through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.**

**Amen.**

**Blessing/Benediction**

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,  
✠ One God,  
Bless, heal, and hold you  
Today and always.

**Amen.**

Sending Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!" ELW 413

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God Al - might - y!  
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,  
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

## Dismissal

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

**Thanks be to God.**

**Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.  
Second Sunday of each month join us for brunch after the service.**

### Calendar for Week of June 1 to June 7, 2026

Wednesday	June 3, 2026	Worship Service	5:30 p.m.
Thursday	June 4, 2026	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	June 7, 2026	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.

### Next Council Meeting:

Sunday, June 28, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.

### Upcoming Events:

Clothing Exchange June 27, 2026

July Fourth Popcorn Sales

Community Picnic August 1, 2026

*Check our calendar of events on the church website for  
times and dates of events and worship services.*

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