



**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**

**June 14, 2026**

# Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

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and

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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.

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.

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*You can donate through our PayPal account.*

*“Thank you for your continued support of our ministry together.”*

## Readings for June 21, 2026 Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

<b>First Reading</b>	Jeremiah 20: 7-13
<b>Psalm</b>	69: 7-10[11-15]16-18
<b>Second Reading</b>	Romans 6: 1b-11
<b>Holy Gospel</b>	Matthew 10: 24-39

### God Comes First

God is, the theologians say, transcendent—beyond us, always exceeding our easy grasp. Recognizing God’s awesome transcendence brings a reevaluation of other values. The God of vertigo-inspiring infinitude is also the God who know the hairs of our head. Trusting this God, fear is defanged and faith becomes a sort of courage. We live in faithful relationship to the hair-counting God as we joyfully “acknowledge” the one who acknowledges us. And as we do so, reveling in the intimacy of God’s loving regard for us, other relationships, even familial ones, take on a different cast. God comes first, we realize, not only in priority, but ontologically, “in the beginning” (John 1:1). Before the God who is at once gracious and transcendent, we “lose” our lives and discover the true life in following the way of Jesus the crucified Son.

### **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**  
**Wednesday, June 3: 7**  
**Sunday, June 7: 28**

### **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**

**Community Picnic** to be held on August 1. If you would be interested in helping, please contact Barb Steinhilber “..... *we need lots of helpers!*”

**Fourth of July Popcorn Fundraiser** – It's almost time for the Popcorn Event on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. We are once again popping corn for the fireworks (not the parade). Jean Maines is in charge of this event. There are signup sheets on the table in the Narthex for soda donations and for volunteering to help with setting up, popping/serving, and cleaning up. Please try to have your soda donations to the church by Monday, July 1<sup>st</sup> so that it can be cooled before being put on ice. For those of you who have not participated in this event, please come and join the fun!



## PRAYER REQUESTS

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

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

### **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)

Secretary – Sharon Brooker (715) 892-7049

Email: [secretary@sotlsayner.com](mailto:secretary@sotlsayner.com) or [plclerk@gmail.com](mailto:plclerk@gmail.com)

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.

## **CHOIR PRACTICE**

Choir practice will be starting on Sunday after church (10:30 am). Please join us – we would love to have lots of new voices!! We look forward to seeing you there!



# Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church

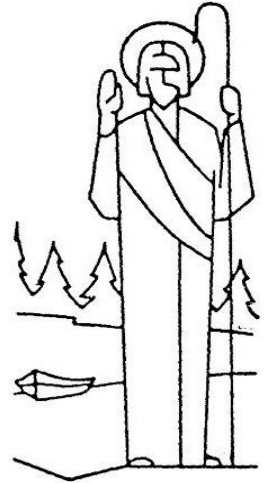
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Third Sunday After Pentecost, June 14, 2026

## 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.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

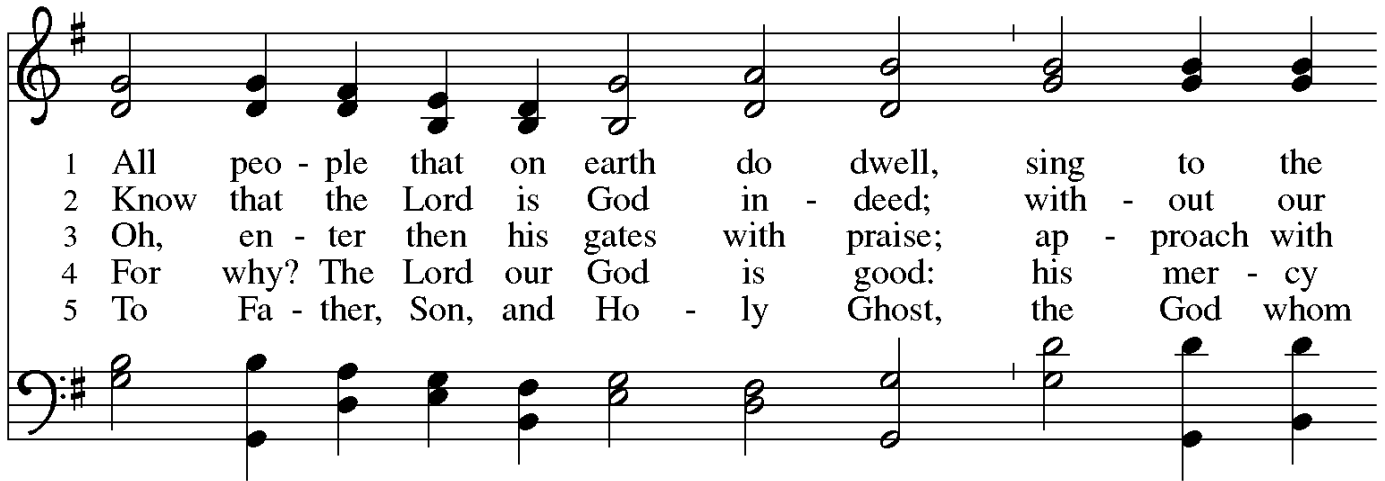
**Amen**

# Gathering Song

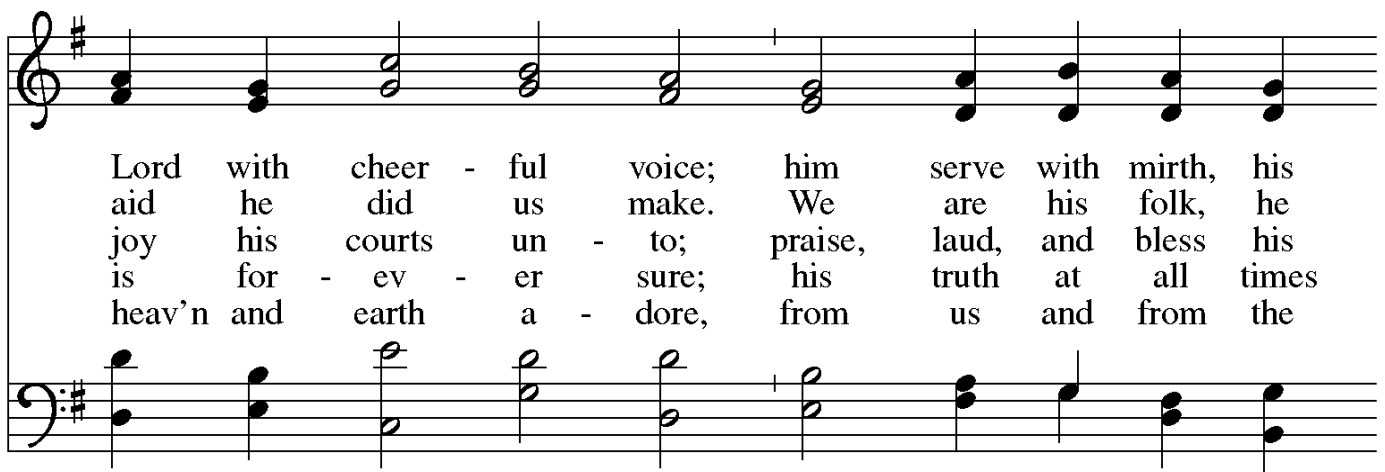
## “All People That on Earth Do Dwell” ELW 883

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

### All People That on Earth Do Dwell



1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the  
2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our  
3 Oh, en - ter then his gates with praise; ap - proach with  
4 For why? The Lord our God is good: his mer - cy  
5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom



Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with mirth, his  
aid he did us make. We are his folk, he  
joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his  
is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times  
heav'n and earth a - dore, from us and from the



praise forth tell; come ye be - fore him and re - jice.  
doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.  
name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.  
firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.  
an - gel host be praise and glo - ry ev - er - more.

Text: William Kethe, d. c. 1594

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

## **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.**

## **Opening Dialog**

Rejoice in the Lord always. Say it again: Rejoice!

Let gentleness be evident to all, for the Lord is near.

**Let us not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present our requests to God.**

Rejoice in the Lord always. Say it again: Rejoice!

**Let gentleness be evident to all, for the Lord is near.**

*(Philippians 4:4-6)*

## **Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray....

Teach us, good Lord God,

**To serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## **First Reading**

**Exodus 19: 2-8a**

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 100

<sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!

<sup>2</sup> Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

<sup>3</sup> **Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong; we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.**

<sup>4</sup> Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the courts with praise; give thanks and bless God's holy name.

<sup>5</sup> **Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from age to age.**

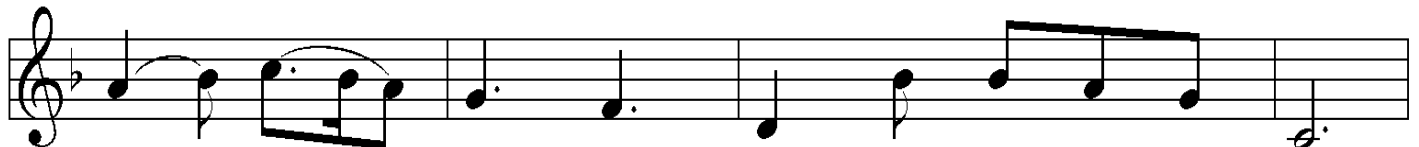
## Second Reading      Romans 5: 1-8

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 9: 35—10: 8[9-23]**

The Gospel of the Lord....

**Glory to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be Seated)*

**Sermon**

# Hymn of the Day

“As Saints of Old” ELW 695

(Please stand as you are comfortable)

## As Saints of Old

1 As saints of old their first-fruits brought of orchard, flock, and field  
2 A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give;  
3 In grat-i-tude and humble trust we bring our best to-day

to God, the giv-er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield,  
to make our life an of-fer-ing to God, that all may live.  
to serve your cause and share your love with all a-long life's way.

so we to-day first-fruits would bring, the wealth of this good land,  
The church of Christ is call-ing us to make the dream come true:  
O God, who gave your-self to us in Je-sus Christ your Son,

of farm and mar-ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.  
a world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.  
teach us to give our-selves each day un-til life's work is done.

Text: Frank von Christierson, 1900–1996, alt.

Music: FOREST GREEN, English folk tune; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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## **Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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 and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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 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, then please be seated)*

### **Offering**

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

*For those of you worshipping with us at home -You can mail your donations to:*

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## **Presentation Of Gifts**

### **Offertory Prayer**

**Loving God,**

**We offer at your table the gifts of our hearts.  
Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,  
so that all creation can taste your abundance.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus,  
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.  
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.**

## Words of Institution

*(Service of Distribution)*

*(These 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 to 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**

*(Please be seated)*

As often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. All is ready, all are welcome, our Lord and Savior invites us to come.

*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.*

# Communion Hymns

*"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" ELW 659*

## 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

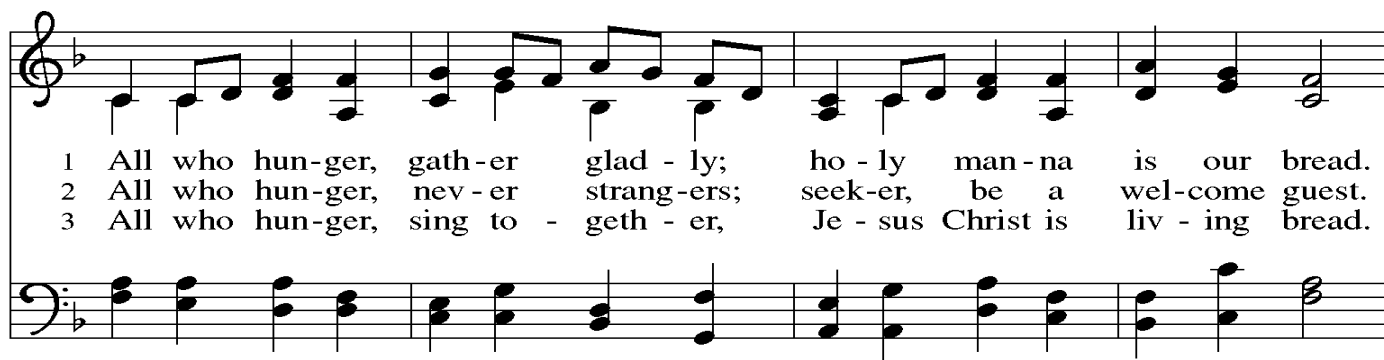
Music: THE SERVANT SONG, Richard Gillard; arr. Betty Pulkingham, b. 1928

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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.  
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.  
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993

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

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*“Let Us Break Bread Together” ELW 471*

# Let Us Break Bread Together

1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;  
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in B-flat major. The treble staff contains the vocal melody with lyrics for three parts. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.

The second system continues the musical notation from the first system, maintaining the same structure of vocal lines and accompaniment.

*Refrain*

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing

The Refrain section begins with a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a vocal line starting with the lyrics 'When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing'. The bass staff provides accompaniment.

sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

The final system of music concludes the piece with the lyrics 'sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.' The treble staff features a vocal line and the bass staff provides accompaniment.

Text: African American spiritual  
Music: BREAK BREAD TOGETHER, African American spiritual

**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**

# Rise Up, O Saints of God!

1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;  
 2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;  
 3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king - dom's task em - brace;  
 4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;  
 5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;

Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.  
 as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.  
 re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.  
 stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.  
 and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

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 Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825–1893  
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## 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 8 to June 14, 2026**

Wednesday	June 10, 2026	Mid-Week Service	5:30 p.m.
Thursday	June 11, 2026	Text Study	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	June 14, 2026	Worship Service	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	June 14, 2026	Choir Practice	10:30 a.m.

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**Next Council Meeting:**

June 28, 2026

**Upcoming Events:**

Popcorn - evening of July 4<sup>th</sup>

Summer Community Picnic – Saturday, Aug. 1, 2026 11 am – 2 pm

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

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