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June 7, 2026
2nd Sunday after Pentecost



Introduction to the day

Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord's day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God's mercy for the world.

Food pantry need: cereal and soup
Attendance for May 31, 2026 – 36

PRELUDE

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

GATHERING *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

GATHERING

SONG

(ELW 556) .

Morning Has Broken

Text: Eleanor Farjeon, 1881–1965 Music: Gaelic tune;
arr. hymnal version

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.

KYRIE

Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for
hun-gry and the poor; that
friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you

this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out . . . truth and jus-tice and grace,
life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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Refrain

The Refrain is written on a single staff in treble clef. It consists of 12 measures. The first measure has a whole note G4. The second measure has a half note A4 and a half note G4. The third measure has a half note F#4 and a half note E4. The fourth measure has a half note D4 and a half note C4. The fifth measure has a half note B3 and a half note A3. The sixth measure has a half note G3 and a half note F#3. The seventh measure has a half note E3 and a half note D3. The eighth measure has a half note C3 and a half note B2. The ninth measure has a half note A2 and a half note G2. The tenth measure has a half note F#2 and a half note E2. The eleventh measure has a half note D2 and a half note C2. The twelfth measure has a half note B1 and a half note A1. The key signature has one sharp (F#4).

The musical notation for the Refrain is written on a single staff in treble clef. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of the following notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B-flat4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (half), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), and D4 (half). This is followed by a double bar line. The second part of the refrain starts with a G4 (quarter), followed by a beamed eighth-note pair of A4 and B-flat4, then a beamed eighth-note pair of A4 and G4, followed by a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, and finally a half note D4. The word "Refrain" is written above the staff at the beginning of the second part.

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peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 3 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. A - men. A - men.

Final refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's

peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the high -

est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

(The assembly is seated.)

Word God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading: Hosea 5:15—6:6

A reading from Hosea.

¹⁵ I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.

In their distress they will beg my favor:

^{6:1} “Come, let us return to the Lord,
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

² After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.

³ Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;

he will come to us like the showers,
like the spring rains that water the earth.”

⁴ What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?
What shall I do with you, O Judah?

Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.

⁵ Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.

⁶ For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 50:7-15

⁷ “Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness
against you;

for I am ^l God, your God.

⁸ **I do not accuse you because ^l of your sacrifices;
your burnt offerings are always before me.**

⁹ I will not accept a calf ^l from your stalls,
nor goats ^l from your pens;

¹⁰ **for all the wild animals of the forest are mine,
the cattle on a ^l thousand hills.**

¹¹ I know every bird ^l of the mountains,
and the creatures of the ^l fields are mine.

¹² **If I were hungry, I | would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all | that is in it.**

¹³ Do you think I eat the | flesh of bulls,
or drink the | blood of goats?

¹⁴ **Offer to God a sacrifice | of thanksgiving
and make good your vows to | the Most High.**

¹⁵ Call upon me in the | day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall | honor me

Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25

A reading from Romans.

¹³ The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

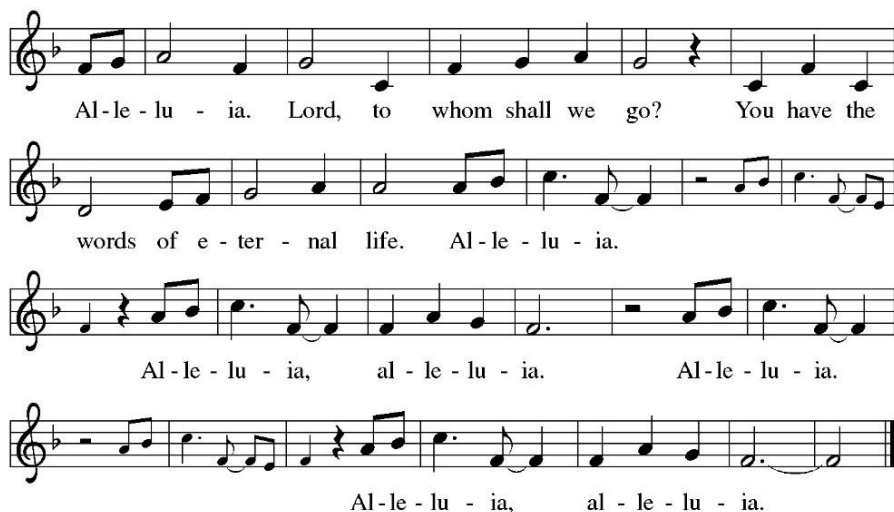
¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸ Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." ¹⁹ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰ No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²² Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³ Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵ who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹ As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹² But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners.”

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” ¹⁹ And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰ Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹ for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment.

²³ When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion,

²⁴ he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶ And the report of this spread through all of that district.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(The assembly is seated.)

SERMON

Silence for reflection may follow

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

HYMN OF THE DAY

(ELW 617)

. We Come to You for Healing, Lord

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923 Music: Hugh Wilson, 1764-1824

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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 INTERCESSION

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

God of mercy, you call us to a life filled with acts of mercy. Ground us in following Christ, that we might extend the mercy we receive.
God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of creation, all you have made is yours. Revive lands in need of healing and make us wise stewards of all you have given us to tend.
God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of the nations, you promise to deliver those who call on you. Bring an end to conflict, bigotry, and injustice in all their forms wherever they are found. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of comfort, you provide for those in need. Bring an end to addiction. Comfort people as they mourn. Provide tenderly for those in need. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

God of blessings, you send the Holy Spirit to provide varieties of gifts in the body of Christ. Accompany those who travel this summer, make our gatherings joyous, and grant us a spirit of hospitality and togetherness. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

God of life, we give you thanks for saints whose lives revealed your faithfulness (*like Seattle, chief of the Duwamish Confederacy, whom the church remembers today*). May remembering their faithfulness strengthen our own. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.
Amen.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

MEAL *God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

OFFERING

(ELW 167)

. **Now the Feast and Celebration**
Text and music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray,
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 DIALOGUE

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.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God.
You reveal your glory
as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:
equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God,
ever to be adored in your eternal glory.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.
From age to age your creation sings your praises.
You feed even the birds of the air,
and you clothe the fields with lilies.
You gave your blessing to Abraham and his descendants,
and you spoke with Moses, Elijah, and David.

Blessed are you, Lord our God:
Blessed are you, Lord our God.

You fulfilled your covenant with us in Jesus.
He is Emmanuel, your beloved Son,
the star that guides us to wisdom,
the treasure hidden in a field.
He is the landowner who overpays the workers,
the judge who separates good from evil.
Blessed are you, Lord our God:
Blessed are you, Lord our God.

For us he lived, for us he died, for us he rose to eternal life.
Then and now he invites us to your banquet.

On 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 hear his call, we repent our ways,
and we enter with joy into the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are you, Lord our God:
Blessed are you, Lord our God.

Send your Holy Spirit here on your gathered disciples.
Make of this meal the body and blood of forgiveness.
Heal us and grant us your righteousness,
that we may love you and serve our neighbors.
Blessed are you, Lord our God:
Blessed are you, Lord our God.

Blessed are you, Lord our God,
our Father in heaven,
the Rock on which we build,
the Dove alighting on us all.
We worship you and sing our praises,
today and to the end of the age.
Amen.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

**Come to the table of new life.
Receive the risen Lord.**

COMMUNION

(Everyone is welcome to come to the communion table. If you have not received instruction in the Sacraments, come to the altar for a blessing. If you would like to receive communion where you are seated in the pews, please tell the usher and at the close of communion you will be served.)

The communion follows. The bread may be broken for distribution. As the ministers give the bread and cup to each communicant, they say these words:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say: **Amen**

COMMUNION SONG



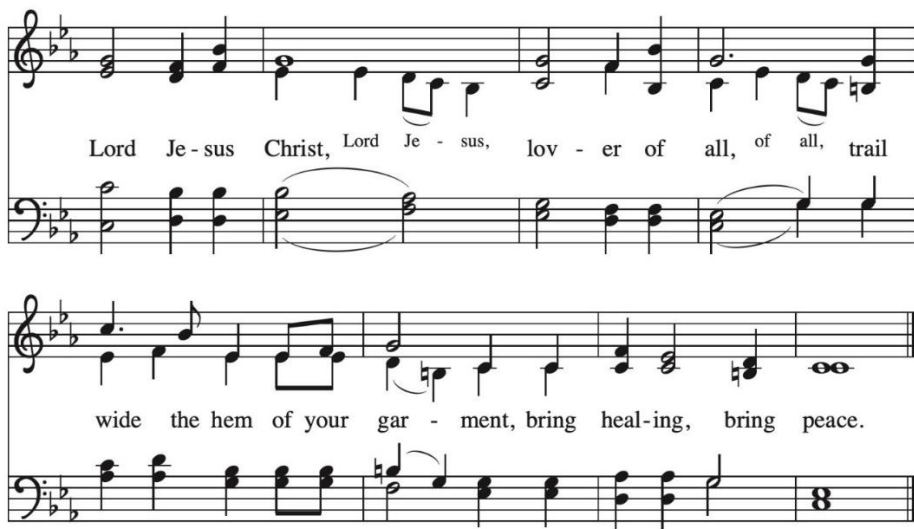
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

SONG DURING COMMUNION

Lord Jesus Christ, Lover of All

(ACS 1019)

Lord Jesus Christ, Lover of All



Lord Je - sus Christ, Lord Je - sus, lov - er of all, of all, trail
wide the hem of your gar - ment, bring heal-ing, bring peace.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: LOVER OF ALL, John L. Bell

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

SENDING God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
✠ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.
Amen.

SENDING SONG (ELW 722)

O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923

Music: German melody, 18th cent.; adapt. X. L.

Hartig, *Melodien zum Mainzer Gesangbuche*, 1833

DISMISSAL

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

Thanks be to God.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

BREAD LOAF OFFERING - JUNE- The Gideons

- We will meet June 16 at Grace with Bill Owen telling the ladies about his Maple Syrup farm & sampling his special syrup.
Save the dates: Adelphi ladies are in charge of the Pork Chop dinner July 19. If you would like to volunteer let Linda Trowbridge know.
- **We would like to invite everyone to a graduation party in celebration of Holly's graduation from Columbia City High School. The party will be on Sunday, June 14 from 2-5 pm at our house, 5240 N 550 W Columbia City. We hope you will be able to help us celebrate all of Holly's accomplishments. Ted and Alison**

- **INDIANA-KENTUCKY SYNOD YOUTH MISSION TRIP**

- **June 14–20, 2026 | Indianapolis, Indiana**

- Get ready for a week of service, growth, and unforgettable experiences in Indianapolis! Youth and adult mentors will spend the week serving alongside inspiring local ministries and nonprofit organizations, putting faith into action through meaningful, hands-on opportunities to love and serve our neighbors.
- This mission trip will be a chance to make a real difference, build new friendships, deepen faith, and discover more about what it means to follow Jesus in everyday life. Along the way, participants will also enjoy evening activities that highlight the culture, energy, and diversity of Indiana's largest city.
- Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Carmel will serve as host site for the week. This trip is open to students in grades 7–12 and adult mentors. Cost: \$250 per person. The cost is all-inclusive except for travel to Indianapolis. Scholarships are available.
- Come be part of a week that will challenge you, inspire you, and remind you that God can use every one of us to make a difference.

Weekly Agenda at Grace Lutheran Church

Monday, June 1, 2026

Helping hands 12:30 pm

Property team 6:30 pm

Scouting America Troop 84 6:30 pm

AA 7:30 pm

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

T.O.P.S 9:30 am

Staff Meeting 3:40 pm

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

Men's Breakfast 8 am

Food Pantry 12 pm

Voucher 4 pm

Thursday, June 4, 2026

AA 7:30 pm

Al-non 7:30 pm

Friday, June 5, 2026

Pastor's Day Off

Food pantry 12 pm

Saturday, June 6, 2026

Sunday, June 7, 2026

Worship @ Hope 8:15 am

Worship @ Grace 10:00 am

Fellowship 11:15 am

Blood pressure check 11:15 am

**We have new sign-up sheets in the parish hall, for coffee hour.
Coffee hour will be after church service, for anyone that would
like to stay.**