



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 7, 2026 | 8:00 AND 10:30 AM
ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH; CONCORDIA, MO

ABOUT TODAY'S WORSHIP

The first Sunday after Pentecost celebrates the mystery of the Trinity—there is one God in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The doctrine of the Trinity is integral to God's "co-mission." The Father sends the Son who sends the Spirit. Filled with the Spirit, we are sent to make disciples of all nations. *This is Part 6 of a year-long series, "A Year in Matthew."*

P Pastor **C** Congregation/All

✠ All may make the sign of the cross to remember their baptism.



Led by the Holy Spirit, we gather for worship.
We are prepared for worship through Confession and Absolution.

PRELUDE & WELCOME

OPENING HYMN 915 *"Today Your Mercy Calls Us"*

CONFESSION OF SINS & FORGIVENESS *Psalm 124:8; 130:3–4*

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

INTROIT | Entrance *Psalm 50:7–10; antiphon: v. 1*

- P** The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth
C from the rising of the sun to its setting.
P Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you.
C **I am God, your God.**
P Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;
C **your burnt offerings are continually before me.**
P I will not accept a bull from your house
C **or goats from your folds.**
P For every beast of the forest is mine,
C **the cattle on a thousand hills.**
C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
P The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth
C from the rising of the sun to its setting.

KYRIE | Lord, Have Mercy *Mark 10:47; for text with tune, see page 204.*

- C** (sung) Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS | Glory to God in the Highest *Luke 2:14; John 1:29*

For text with tune, see page 204.

- C** (sung) To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name we sing
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—

For You alone are holy, You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

- P** The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
P Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom;

through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

VERSE OF THE MONTH *Psalm 51:15*

C O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.



We hear God's Word read and proclaimed,
and we respond with our prayers and praise, tithes and offerings.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Hosea 5:15 – 6:6*

God's sinful people are called to repent and return to God, who is ready to forgive and renew.

¹⁵I will return again to my place, until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face, and in their distress earnestly seek me.

¹⁶“Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. ²After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. ³Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to

us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth.” ⁴What 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 early away. ⁵Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. ⁶For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Romans 4:13–25*

God's promise that Abraham would be the father of many nations (Genesis 17:4–6) was not based on Abraham's obedience to God's law. Rather, Abraham had faith that God would give him a family even in old age. This faith was counted to him as righteousness, giving us a picture of our righteousness based on faith in Jesus.

¹³The promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings

wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

¹⁶That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of

Abraham, who is the father of us all, ¹⁷as 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.

¹⁸In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” ¹⁹He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of

Sarah’s womb. ²⁰No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²²That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.” ²³But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, ²⁴but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, ²⁵who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA AND VERSE *John 20:31; for text with music, see page 205.*

C (sung) Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**These things are written that you may believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 9:9–13*

Jesus calls Matthew the tax collector to be His disciple, highlighting how He came “not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁹As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him.

¹⁰And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his

disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹²But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CREED *See the inside back cover of the hymnal.*

SERMON HYMN 567 *“Not What These Hands Have Done”*

SERMON *The Great Commission: “The Cure for Sinners”*

GATHERING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

All may sign the friendship register found in each pew.

Music during the offering (8:00 am):

ANTHEM *“Here I Am, Lord” by Dan Schutte (Elijah Rankin, Soloist)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

The 10:30 am service concludes with the Lord’s Prayer, Benediction, and Closing Hymn 575, “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less.”



We receive God’s gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation
as we share the Sacrament of the Altar.

The 8:00 am service continues with the Preface on page 208 in the hymnal.

We believe that in the Lord’s Supper our Lord gives to us His true body and blood with the bread and the wine for the forgiveness of our sins. We recognize the charge that St. Paul offers in 1 Corinthians 11:27–28 that those who come to receive the Lord’s Supper ought to examine themselves so that they do not eat and drink in an unworthy manner. Therefore, out of concern for those who have not been instructed in the faith or who hold to a different confession, we ask that only members of Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregations receive the Sacrament. If you would like to learn more about what our congregation teaches, to inquire about becoming a member or have questions about our practice, please speak to one of the pastors. Adults and children who have not yet been baptized or instructed in the Christian faith are invited to

come forward and receive a spoken blessing at the altar rail; please indicate this by crossing your arms across your chest.

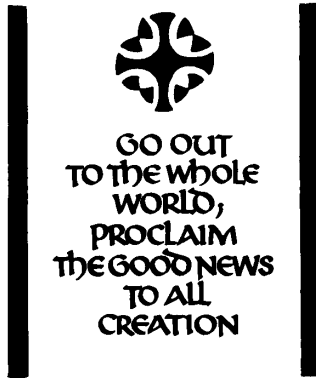
For those who require it, diluted wine is found in the purple glasses in the center of the tray of individual cups; gluten free wafers are available upon request.

Music during distribution:

HYMN 611 “Chief of Sinners Though I Be”

HYMN 609 “Jesus Sinners Doth Receive”

HYMN 618 “I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”



Even as this time of worship ends, we go out of the church into the worship of our everyday lives, ready to be God's witnesses and do His will.

The service concludes with the Nunc Dimittis, Post-Communion Collect, and Benediction on pages 211–212.

CLOSING HYMN 575 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

ANNOUNCEMENTS, SENDING & POSTLUDE

P Go in peace; serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

This week's takeaway: Our greatest need is forgiveness, so God sent us a Savior. The Church participates in God's mission, sharing the one and only cure for sin. Forgiven and redeemed by Jesus, we are sent out to "Gospel-ize" the world.

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SERVING IN THIS SERVICE

Rev. Andrew Lehenbauer, *Liturgist*

Rev. Michael Pottschmidt, *Preacher*

Katie Drefs, *Organist*

Lilly Petty, Dovelyn Montrey, *Acolytes (8:00 am)*

Gracie Brackman, Elaina Martens, *Acolytes (10:30 am)*

Alyssa, Lily, & Kaylee Petty, *Greeters (8:00 am)*

Roger & Carolyn Flandermeyer, *Greeters (10:30 am)*

Jim Beerman, Rod McCaslin, Pat McKeage, Darren Starbuck, *Elders on Duty*

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please contact the church office to keep our prayer list up-to-date.

Our pastor "on call" number in case of emergency is (660) 580-5483.

New: Royce Herndon, Joe Connell, Bridget Kageman, Rollie Beerman, Virgil Gramenz, Hudson Kloos, Nicole Maxwell, Alan Luebbert, Lisa Arnett, Joyce Kroll, Rev. Dr. Les Mitkos, Susan Reeves

Ongoing: Donald Dedeke, Richard Cordes, Rev. Dr. Lee Hagan, Diane Stumpenhous, Ken Wodrich, Les Bruns, Wilmer Bredehoeft, Melba Poese, Paul Brackman, Baby Felix, Gene Virus, Harry Rehkop, Nolan Kirby, Jon Spells, Roger Kammeyer, Ledrue Brandt, Alyssa Pfannkuch, Alice Hildebrand, Donnie Fiene, Rev. Perry Copus, Darla Wolters, Vickie Greene, Amy Gerdts, Tim Bergman, Amy Backus, David Rehmsmeyer, Lari Huntze, Kelly Meyer, Shirley Kimball

Nation and World: the people of Togo

Partners in Mission: Faith Lutheran Church; Jefferson City, MO and Rev. Richard Steensma, Jr; Orphan Grain Train; Election of LCMS President (June 6–9); LWML MO District Convention (June 12–14)

Birthdays: (6/7) Russell Faris, Jacob Matisko; (6/8) Judy Loeber, Debbie Robinson; (6/9) Terri-Dawn Frank, Elton Rolf; (6/10) Briella Bobzin, Janice Frerking, Lorraine Inman, Brad Roepe, Henry Rose; (6/11) Shannon Burrow, Amy Knight, Monte Pitsch, Brody Roepe; (6/12) Amanda Faris; (6/13) Mary Ann Bartel, John Cross, Waylon Goff, Kate Hoepfner, Harper Morrison, Melanie Oswald

Anniversaries: (6/7) Kent & Jennifer Kunkel, Scott & Tanya Meyer; (6/8) Chester & Arleen Fiene, Josh & Katie Finley, Quentin & Tiffany Jones, Steve & Sharon

Oetting; (6/9) Rev. Harold & Norine Block, Donald & Betty Dedeke; (6/10) John & Barbara Kuecker, Darren & Julie Starbuck; (6/11) Tony & Angela Frerking; (6/12) Nathanael & Molly Poppe, Matthew & Sarah Rudowske; (6/13) Aaron & Yu Chu (Jane) Page, James & Barbara Peuster, Andrew & Amanda Strobel

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP

Exodus 19:2–8; Romans 5:6–15; Matthew 9:35 – 10:20

Hymns (*Lutheran Service Book*): 826, 828, 856, 838, 643, 832



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