



God's Character

May 31	God Is Our Creator
June 7	God Knows Everything
June 14	God Is Our Safe Place
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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026 - 5:00 PM

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2026 - 10:45 AM

(The * indicates when the congregation is to stand.)

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

People: **Amen.**

Leader: In this time of worship, let us humbly bow before our good and gracious God and confess our need for Him.

(Please kneel or be seated for confession)

Leader: O Good and gracious God,

People: **We confess that *without* You, we would be captive to sin and unable to free ourselves. 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. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, be good to us, and lead us to walk in Your ways. Amen.**

Leader: Friends in Christ, God is good all the time. In the goodness and mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for His sake, God forgives you all of your sins. As a servant of the Word and by Christ's authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the Name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us arise and greet one another saying: "God is Good!"

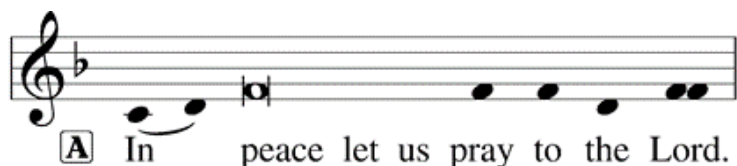
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Come, Thou Almighty King"

Hymn 905

([10:45]Stand and face the cross as it enters the Sanctuary.)

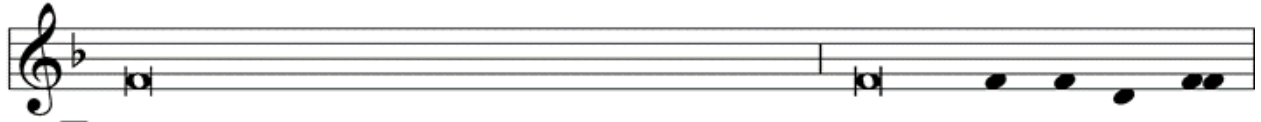
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C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



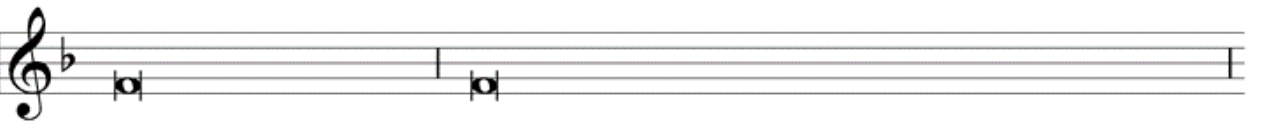
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



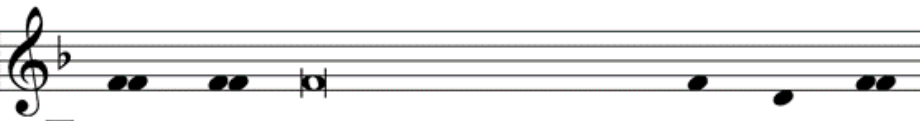
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



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.

***SALUTATION AND COLLECT FOR THE SEASON**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord, in Your Word You tell us that You are *“The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet You do not leave the guilty unpunished.”* (Ex. 34:6-7)

People: **We give thanks for showing Your love to us in Your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ. Move in our hearts, that Christ’s compassion and grace would be displayed in our lives and shown in our character, for His Name’s sake. Amen.**

THE VERSE OF THE DAY

Psalm 115:18

We can praise the Lord both now and forever! Praise the LORD!

FIRST READING

Psalm 90: 1-6, 13-17

¹Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. ²Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. ³You return man to dust and say, “Return, O children of man!” ⁴For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night. ⁵You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning: ⁶in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers... ¹³Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants! ¹⁴Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. ¹⁵Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, and for as many years as we have seen evil. ¹⁶Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children. ¹⁷Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

Revelation 22:12-17

¹²“Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay each one for what he has done. ¹³I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.” ¹⁴Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁵Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood. ¹⁶“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.” ¹⁷The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 3:23-38

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Luke, the third chapter.

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

²³Jesus, when he began his ministry, was about thirty years of age, being the son (as was supposed) of Joseph, the son of Heli, ²⁴the son of Matthat, the son of Levi, the son of Melchi, the son of Jannai, the son of Joseph, ²⁵the son of Mattathias, the son of Amos, the son of Nahum, the son of Esli, the son of Naggai, ²⁶the son of Maath, the son of Mattathias, the son of Semein, the son of Josech, the son of Joda, ²⁷the son of Joanan, the son of Rhesa, the son of Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, the son of Neri, ²⁸the son of Melchi, the son of Addi, the son of Cosam, the son of Elmadam, the son of Er, ²⁹the son of Joshua, the son of Eliezer, the son of Jorim, the son of Matthat, the son of Levi, ³⁰the son of Simeon, the son of Judah, the son of Joseph, the son of Jonam, the son of Eliakim, ³¹the son of Melea, the son of Menna, the son of Mattatha, the son of Nathan, the son of David, ³²the son of Jesse, the son of Obed, the son of Boaz, the son of Sala, the son of Nahshon, ³³the son of Amminadab, the son of Admin, the son of Arni, the son of Hezron, the son of Perez, the son of Judah, ³⁴the son of Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Abraham, the son of Terah, the son of Nahor, ³⁵the son of Serug, the son of Reu, the son of Peleg, the son of Eber, the son of Shelah, ³⁶the son of Cainan, the son of Arphaxad, the son of Shem, the son of Noah, the son of Lamech, ³⁷the son of Methuselah, the son of Enoch, the son of Jared, the son of Mahalaleel, the son of Cainan, ³⁸the son of Enos, the son of Seth, the son of Adam, the son of God.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

[10:45] CHILDREN'S MESSAGE AND DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

***SERMON HYMN**

“Glory Be to God the Father”

Hymn 506

THE SERMON

“God Is Forever”

***STATEMENT OF FAITH AND CONFIDENCE**

Pastor: God is our Creator.

People: **Praise the Lord, everything He has created, everything in all His kingdom. (Psalm 103:22)**

Pastor: God knows everything.

People: **"O Lord, You have examined my heart and know everything about me."** (Psalm 139:1)

Pastor: God is our safe place.

People: **"Then I pray to You, O Lord, I say, 'You are my place of refuge.'" (Psalm 142:5)**

Pastor: God is love.

People: **"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! His faithful love endures forever."** (Psalm 136:1)

Pastor: God is forever.

People: **"We can praise the Lord both now and forever! Praise the Lord!" (Psalm 115:18)**

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

*PREFACE

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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.**

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and saying:

*SANCTUS

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -

san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***LORD'S 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.

***AGNUS DEI**

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee ”
“Thine The Amen, Thine the Praise”

Hymn 803
Hymn 680

***POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

***PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS AND CONSECRATION FOR THE LORD’S WORK**

***CLOSING COLLECT AND BENEDICTION**

Pastor: Lord God, You have called Your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go but only that Your hand is leading us and Your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

People: Amen.

***SENDING HYMN**

“Alleluia! Let Praises Ring”

Hymn 822

DISMISSAL

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP SERVICE LEADERS

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM

Preacher
Organist
Communion Deacons
Lector
Usher/Greeter Team

The Rev. Steven M. Braun
Thomas Schulteis
Vickie Ryan, Roger Walker
Bruce Tonjes
Rodney & Jane Petersen

SUNDAY, 10:45 AM

Preacher
Celebrant/Liturgist
Organist
Sound Technician
Elder on Duty
Communion Deacons

Lectors
Greeters
Ushers

The Rev. Steven M. Braun
The Rev. Charles T. Reich
Thomas Schulteis
Rodney Steffen
Lowell Fricker
Janet Hostler, Carl Locke
Dan Mueller, Jennifer Smith
Ted Broer, Christy Hemenway
Lyle & Monique Stiefel
Janice Graydon, Douglas Hall, Ernie Harben,
Bonnie Petersilge, Rob Petersilge, Carl Rod

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