



**GOOD NEWS**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

THY  
**Kingdom**  
COME

Heavenly springs that bring new life on earth

Service Focus:

## **Kingdom Economics: Company Policies**

Good News Lutheran Church | Mount Horeb, Wisconsin  
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost | June 21, 2026



# GOOD NEWS

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

### Welcome!

We are grateful to have you with us for our service today. You have joined us for the most important time we spend together. Each time we gather as a family of faith, we make the gospel (or good news) of Jesus our central focus. We do so relying on Jesus' promise that, wherever two or three come together in his name, he is present among them to deliver his gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation.

### For Your Convenience

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## Time of Year: Sundays after Pentecost

The Festival of Pentecost marks the transition from the first half of the Christian Church Year to the second. During the Sundays after Pentecost, our attention shifts from the life of Christ to the teachings of Christ. Jesus' words establish our faith, transform our hearts and minds, and guide our lives in him. The liturgical color is green for the spiritual growth the Holy Spirit works in our hearts through the Word.



## Current Series: Thy Kingdom Come

When Christians pray “Thy Kingdom Come,” they aren’t praying about lines on a map or results in an upcoming election. Like a spring that appears out of nowhere and then carves its own path, the Kingdom of God comes wherever and whenever the gospel is heard. There the Holy Spirit pours heaven’s best gifts into the hearts of people. When God’s kingdom comes, heavenly springs bring new life on earth.

May 24	Pentecost	Kingdom Economics: Supply Chain
May 31	Holy Trinity	Kingdom Economics: Trademarked Name
June 7	Pentecost 2	Kingdom Economics: Expert Endorsements
June 14	Pentecost 3	Kingdom Economics: Middle Management
<b>June 21</b>	<b>Pentecost 4</b>	<b>Kingdom Economics: Company Policies</b>
June 28	Pentecost 5	Kingdom Economics: Key Performance Indicators

## Service Focus

This week we see how Jesus gives clear instructions to those he sends to speak his Word on his behalf. Those instructions prepare his ambassadors for the fact that their message will not always be received warmly. Rather than letting people’s desires and opinions shape what they say, however, Christ’s messengers are charged with proclaiming his Word faithfully no matter how it is received.

## Prayer before the Service

O God, because your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in your eternal love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

# The Service



*Stand*

*Both the invocation and sign of the cross are reminders of our baptism.*

## **Invocation**

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **Confession**

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

**Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.**

*Psalm 32:1-2*

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Almighty and merciful Father,**

**we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.**

**We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.**

**We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.**

**We have done those things that we should not have done,**

**and we have not done those things that we should have done.**

**Have mercy on us, Lord!**

**Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,**

**according to your promises in Christ Jesus.**

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Lord, Have Mercy** *Kyrie*

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

*Having received the gift of the Lord's forgiveness, we now make our requests on the basis of his mercy.*

*Throughout the service, titles like "Kyrie" refer to the historic names for the ancient texts of the Church's liturgy.*

*Jesus said that the angels in heaven rejoice over one sinner who repents. In response to the repentance expressed through confession and absolution, the church sings as the angels sang on Christmas night: "Glory be to God on high."*

## Glory to God in the Highest *Gloria in Excelsis*



1 To God on high be glo - ry and peace to all the earth,  
2 O Lamb of God ex - alt - ed, you take all sin a - way;



for God has shown his fa - vor in Je - sus' ho - ly birth!  
ex - tend to us your mer - cy and hear us as we pray.



Al - might - y God and Fa - ther, our hum - ble thanks we bring;  
With God the Ho - ly Spir - it, at God the Fa - ther's throne,



we wor - ship you, we bless you, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.  
you reign, O Christ, for - ev - er, for you are Lord a - lone!

## The Word

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

O God, because your abiding presence always goes with us, keep us aware of your daily mercies that we may live secure and content in your eternal love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*



## First Reading

Jeremiah 20:7–13

<sup>7</sup>You deceived me, LORD, and I was deceived;  
you overpowered me and prevailed.  
I am ridiculed all day long;  
everyone mocks me.  
<sup>8</sup>Whenever I speak, I cry out  
proclaiming violence and destruction.  
So the word of the LORD has brought me  
insult and reproach all day long.  
<sup>9</sup>But if I say, “I will not mention his word  
or speak anymore in his name,”  
his word is in my heart like a fire,  
a fire shut up in my bones.  
I am weary of holding it in;  
indeed, I cannot.  
<sup>10</sup>I hear many whispering,  
“Terror on every side!  
Denounce him! Let’s denounce him!”  
All my friends  
are waiting for me to slip, saying,  
“Perhaps he will be deceived;  
then we will prevail over him  
and take our revenge on him.”  
<sup>11</sup>But the LORD is with me like a mighty warrior;  
so my persecutors will stumble and not prevail.  
They will fail and be thoroughly disgraced;  
their dishonor will never be forgotten.  
<sup>12</sup>LORD Almighty, you who examine the righteous  
and probe the heart and mind,  
let me see your vengeance on them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.  
<sup>13</sup>Sing to the LORD!  
Give praise to the LORD!

*Even if everyone  
turns against the  
messenger of the  
Lord, the Lord is a  
warrior who fights  
on his side.*

He rescues the life of the needy  
from the hands of the wicked.

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

*Psalms have been  
used by God's  
people in worship  
since the Old  
Testament.*

*The Church sings  
Psalm 91 in  
services that focus  
on times of crisis,  
especially  
temptation or  
persecution.*

## Psalm of the Day

Psalm 91



1 My dwell - ing place is God Most High; my ref - uge and my  
3 My dwell - ing place is God Most High; I'll nev - er seek an -



for - tress. When plague and pes - ti - lence draw nigh, I'm  
oth - er. For I am his and he is mine; my



hid - den in his pres - ence. When ter - rors fall and  
heart he'll keep for - ev - er. I know the name on



ar - rows fly, his shield will be my safe - ty; when  
whom I call; he prom - is - es to an - swer. With



stones a - cross my path - way lie, on an - gels' wings I'm car - ried.  
life he sat - is - fies my soul, and crowns me with his plea - sure.

*Paul charges  
ministers of Jesus  
to preach his Word  
faithfully,  
expecting to  
endure hardship  
for doing so.*

## Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:1-8

<sup>1</sup>In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: <sup>2</sup>Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. <sup>3</sup>For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires,

they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. <sup>4</sup>They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. <sup>5</sup>But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

<sup>6</sup>For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. <sup>7</sup>I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup>Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

2 Corinthians 12:9

*Refrain*



*By standing and singing “Alleluia” (Praise the Lord) as we prepare to hear the gospel, Christ’s people express their trust in his promise to be present among them through his word.*

My grace is sufficient for you,  
for my power is made perfect in weakness. *Refrain*

## Gospel

Matthew 10:5a,21–33

<sup>5</sup>These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions:

<sup>21</sup>“Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. <sup>22</sup>You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. <sup>23</sup>When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

<sup>24</sup>“The student is not above the teacher, nor a servant above his master. <sup>25</sup>It is enough for students to be like their teachers, and servants like their masters. If the head of the house has been called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household!

*Though scorn and persecution are inevitable for servants of Jesus, he urges them on the basis of his promises not to be afraid.*

<sup>26</sup>“So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. <sup>27</sup>What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. <sup>28</sup>Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father’s care. <sup>30</sup>And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. <sup>31</sup>So don’t be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

<sup>32</sup>“Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. <sup>33</sup>But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

**Hymn of the Day**

867 Afflicted Saint, to Christ Draw Near

**Sermon**

2 Timothy 4:1–8

*Stand*

**Apostles’ Creed** *Credo*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Be seated*

## **Prayer of the Church**

God of our salvation, your Son warned that your people would face opposition from the world. Give courage and fortitude to your pastors and people, that they would boldly sing your praises, gladly endure suffering for the name of Jesus, and continue by your grace to the end. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Ruler and Lord of all, guide our nation and all the nations of the world by giving us upright and faithful leaders who will provide good government. Fill the world with industrious citizens who will work for the good of their neighbors, and bring all who are enemies to live together in peace. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give you thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of your forgiveness for all their shortcomings. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

All these things and whatever else you know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Offering

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*Stand*

Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## 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.**

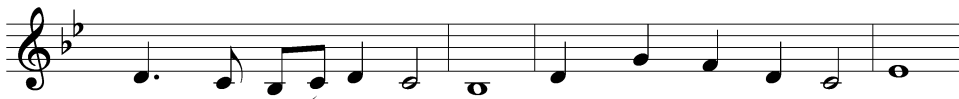
*Known as the  
Aaronic Blessing,  
these words have  
been spoken to  
God's people for  
3,500 years.  
Wherever God's  
name is  
proclaimed, God  
promises to be  
present with his  
blessing (Numbers  
6:22-27).*

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.  
**Amen.**

Hymn

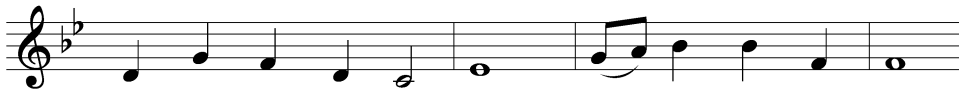
823 Jesus, Priceless Treasure sts. 1-2, 5



1 Je - sus, price-less trea - sure, fount of pur - est plea - sure,  
2 In thine arms I rest me; foes who would op - press me  
5 Hence, all fear and sad - ness! For the Lord of glad - ness,



tru - est friend to me. Ah, how long in an - guish  
can - not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing,  
Je - sus, en - ters in. Those who love the Fa - ther,



shall my spir - it lan - guish, yearn - ing, Lord, for thee?  
ev - 'ry heart be quak - ing, Je - sus calms my fear.  
though the storms may gath - er, still have peace with - in.



Thou art mine, O Lamb di - vine! I will suf - fer  
Light - nings flash and thun - ders crash; yet, though sin and  
Yea, what - e'er I here must bear, thou art still my



naught to hide thee; naught I ask be - side thee  
hell as - sail me, Je - sus will not fail me,  
pur - est plea - sure, Je - sus, price - less trea - sure,



naught I ask be - side thee.  
Je - sus will not fail me.  
Je - sus, price - less trea - sure!

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Good News Lutheran Church was established in 2013 as a mission effort of Resurrection Lutheran Church in Verona. Our mission is to help people find relief from life's distressing noise by preaching, teaching, and sharing the Bible's good news.

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