

Morning Worship
Second Sunday after Trinity
June 14, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his
people, and the sheep of his pasture (Psalm 95:6; 100:3).

Adoration

Opening Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (TH457)

*Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.*

*Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.*

*O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander – Lord, I feel it – prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.*

Invocation

The 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Confession

Call to Confession

And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate (Luke 15:20-24).

Corporate Confession of Sin

Lord God Almighty, how can we stand before you with our numberless and aggravated offenses? We have often loved darkness, forsaken your mercies, mocked your providences, flattered you with our lips, broken your covenant. It is of your compassion that we are not consumed. Lead us to repentance, and save us from despair. Let us come to you renouncing sin, the world, and the devil, and hoping in the grace that flows even to the chief of sinners. At the cross may we contemplate the evil of sin, and abhor it, look on him whom we pierced, as one slain for us, and by us. May we never despise his death by fearing its efficacy for our salvation. Thus may our souls rest in you, revealed as you are in the person and work of your Son, the Friend of sinners, in whose name we pray. Amen.

- excerpted and adapted from *Valley of Vision*, "God and Myself"

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance

Assurance of Pardon

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin (Psalm 32:1-3, 5).

Thanksgiving

Offertory

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavn'ly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Offertory Prayer

Petition and Intercession

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer for the Salvation of Others

Instruction

Hymn of Preparation

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place (TH469)

*How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors,
while everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.*

*While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast,
each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?"*

*"Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there's room,
when thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"*

*'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in;
else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.*

*Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come;
send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.*

*We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race
may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.*

New Testament Reading

2 Timothy 2:14-19

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 1

Leader: The word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Psalm 1

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Communion

Hymn of Preparation

He Will Hold Me Fast

*When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.*

Chorus: *He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

*Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. Chorus*

*For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last! Chorus X2*

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Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Sursum Corda

Leader: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And with your spirit.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: It is good and right to do so.

We welcome to Communion (also called The Lord's Table or The Eucharist) all baptized Christians who have received and are resting on Jesus alone for salvation, and are communing members of any church that faithfully proclaims the gospel. If that does not currently describe you, we invite you to participate by observing but not partaking of the elements – in part because of the warnings Scripture gives those who partake of the Supper without discerning its spiritual significance; but also because we don't want you to express something with your body that isn't true of your heart and mind, namely, that you're trusting in and depending on Jesus as your Lord and Savior. We invite you to take this time to consider what you've seen and heard in the worship service, including Jesus' love for sinners as it is portrayed in this meal. There's also a prayer below for those considering Christianity that you might wish to pray. If this raises questions or concerns, we welcome them and invite you to address them to our pastor or elders.

Prayer for those searching for truth: Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If you are real, please open my heart and mind to the truth of who you are and what you have done in your life, death, and resurrection. Give me faith to trust you for salvation and satisfaction, and to follow you as my Lord. Help me to see this as the only way to the life you promise and for which I long. Amen.

Prayer for Christians: Lord, you have prepared for me a feast; and though I am unworthy to sit down as a guest, I rest on the merits of Jesus, and come clothed in his righteousness. While I see the bread and the cup, may I ponder why Jesus died and hear him say, "I gave my life to purchase yours, presented myself as an offering to satisfy divine justice, shed my blood to blot out your guilt, opened my side to make you clean, endured your curses to set you free." May I obey, extend the hand, take the bread, receive the cup, eat and drink, testify before all that I gladly receive Jesus to be my life, strength, nourishment, joy, delight. In the Supper give me assurance of pardon, adoption, life, and glory. As the outward elements nourish my body, may your Spirit invigorate my soul, until that day when I hunger and thirst no more, and sit with Jesus at his heavenly feast. Amen.

- excerpted and adapted from *Valley of Vision*, "The Lord's Supper"

Charge and Blessing

Closing Hymn

*On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.*

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

*O'er all those wide extended plains shines one eternal day;
There God the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away.*

Chorus: *I am bound (I am bound), I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for the promised land!*

*I am bound (I am bound), I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for the promised land.*

*No chilling winds or poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore;
Sickness and sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more. Chorus*

*When shall I reach that happy place, And be forever blessed,
When shall I see my Father's face, And in his bosom rest? Chorus X2*

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Benediction