

Luther Memorial Lutheran Church
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Worship for Sunday, 28 June 2026
+ 5th Sunday after Pentecost, Year A
Actively Sharing Christ's Love in Community

Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

Please Stand

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Compassionate God,

we confess to you all our sins.

Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.

In your mercy, call us back to you.

Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.

Restore us to dwell in your peace.

In Christ's name we pray,

Amen.

Jesus says, "Come to me,
all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love.

Amen.

You may be seated.

Gathering Hymn #641

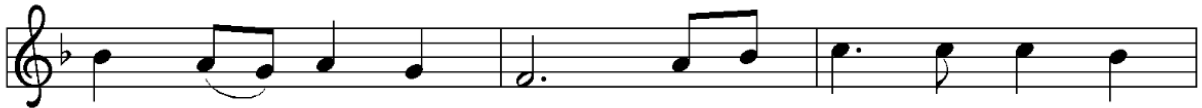
All Are Welcome



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
claim the faith of Je - sus:
Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
end to fear and dan - ger:
claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

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Music: TWO OAKS, Marty Haugen
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Apostolic Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray:

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

First Reading Jeremiah 28:5-9

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great realms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

Please Read Responsively

Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing;

from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

**For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever;
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.**

“I have made a covenant with my chosen one;

I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

**‘I will establish your line forever,
and preserve your throne for all generations.’”**

Happy are the people who know the festal shout!

They walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.

**They rejoice daily in your name;
they are jubilant in your righteousness.**

For you are the glory of their strength,

and by your favor our might is exalted.

**Truly, our shield belongs to the Lord;
our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

Second Reading Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present any parts of your bodies to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your bodies to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented the parts of your bodies as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your bodies as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

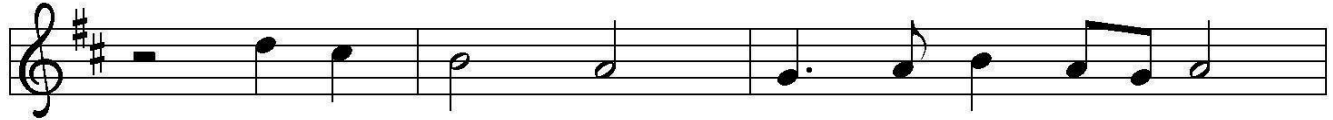
When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Please Stand



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Matthew 10:40-42

P: The holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 10th and 10th Chapters

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon



1 God, we gath - er as your peo - ple to raise our song a -
 2 Oh, we sing for all the chil - dren, that one day they be
 3 Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and
 4 God, we're work - ing for the fu - ture when chil - dren far and



bove, and we dare to claim the prom - ise of your love.
 free; and we sing for gen - er - a - tions yet to be,
 shame, so a - fraid of who they are and whom they love.
 wide can . . . live their lives with dig - ni - ty and pride.



Though the day may not yet be here, we
 that they nev - er have a rea - son to
 May the mes - sage now be ban - ished that your
 As they grow in strength and stat - ure, may they



trust it soon will be, when your chil - dren will be free.
 doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest.
 love is for the few; may their faith in you re - new.
 join us hand in hand, as a - gainst all hate we stand.

Refrain



Oh, may our hearts and minds be o - pened, fling the church doors o - pen



wide. May there be room e - nough for ev - 'ry - one in - side.



For in God there is a wel - come, in God we all be -



long. May that wel - come be our song.

Prayers and Peace

P: God of grace,

C: Hear our prayer.

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

From your place in the congregation, feel free to share a sign of peace with other members of the assembly.

Offering

Offertory

Offertory Prayer

Please stand

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

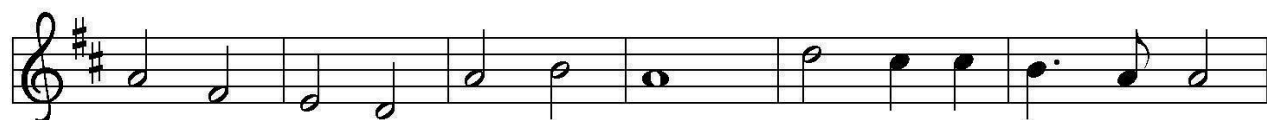
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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.

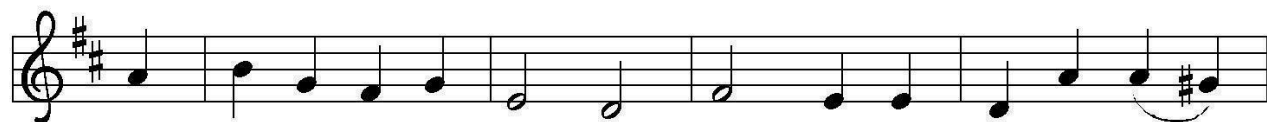
It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And 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:



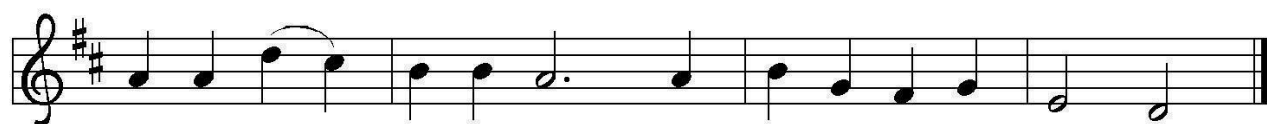
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.



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.

Eucharistic Liturgy

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus 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.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

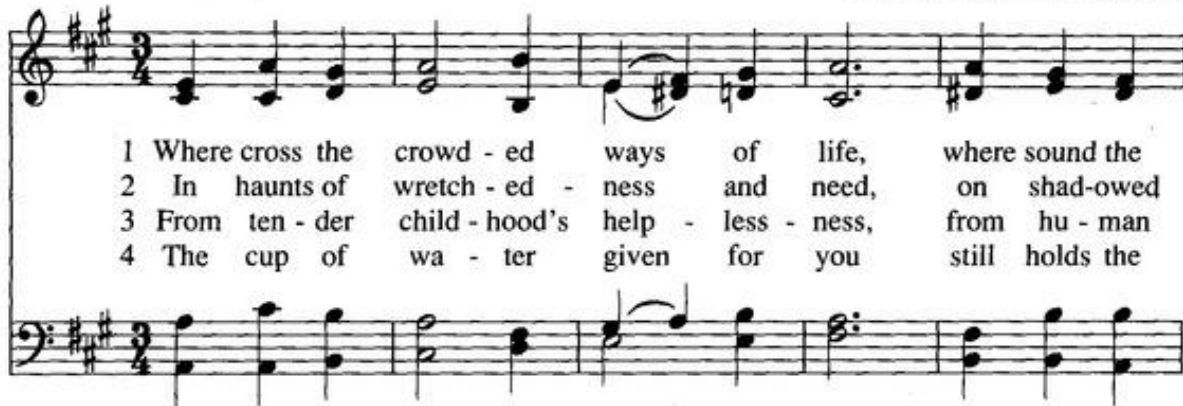
Distribution of Holy Communion

You may be seated

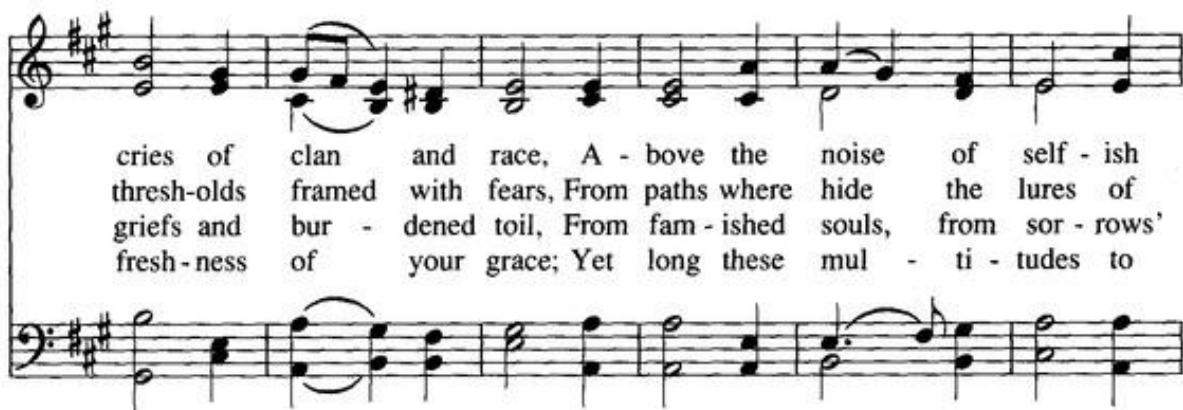
*Please proceed up the center aisle to pick up a piece of bread from the Presiding minister and a glass of either wine or grape juice from the assisting minister. There will be a basket off to the side where you can dispose of your used cup. The communion bread is all gluten free, but does contain honey. All are welcome to receive from Christ's table.
You may also come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing.*

Communion Hymn NCH #543

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life



1 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the
2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on shad - owed
3 From ten - der child - hood's help - less - ness, from hu - man
4 The cup of wa - ter given for you still holds the



cries of clan and race, A - bove the noise of self - ish
thresh-olds framed with fears, From paths where hide the lures of
griefs and bur - dened toil, From fam - ished souls, from sor - rows'
fresh - ness of your grace; Yet long these mul - ti - tudes to



strife, O Christ, we hear your voice of grace.
greed, we catch the vi - sion of your tears.
stress, we know your heart does not re - coil.
view the deep com - pas - sion of your face.

5 O Sav - ior, from
the moun - tain - side,
Make haste to heal
these hearts of pain;
A - mong these rest - less
throgs a - bide,
O tread the cit - y's streets a - gain:

6 Till all shall learn
com - pas - sion's might,
And fol - low where
your feet have trod,
Till glo - rious from
your realm of light,
Shall come the cit - y of our God.

This hymn was written for the 1905 Methodist Hymnal by Frank Mason North, a Methodist minister who was deeply committed to the role of the church in urban life. North later served as president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

Tune: GERMANY (GARDINER) L.M.
William Gardiner's Sacred Melodies, 1815

Communion Hymn ACS #978

God Welcomes All

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'God Welcomes All'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the treble clef staff. The first system of music covers the lyrics 'God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;'. The second system covers 'God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.' The music is written in a simple, homophonic style with block chords and some melodic lines.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: AMEN THEMBA, South African traditional; transc. and arr. John L. Bell.

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Post-communion Prayer

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Blessing

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

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn #546

To Be Your Presence



1 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion here, to show com -
2 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion bold, to feed the
3 To be your pres - ence is our mis - sion blest, to speak for
4 We are your heart, O Christ, your hands and voice, to serve your



pas - sion's face and lis - t'ning ear, to be your heart of mer - cy
poor and shel - ter home - less cold, to be your hands of jus - tice,
all the bro - ken and op - pressed, to be your voice of hope, your
peo - ple is our call and choice, and in this mis - sion we, the



ev - er near,
right up - hold, al - le - lu - ia!
love ex - pressed,
church, re - jice,

Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939

Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852-1924

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Postlude

Dismissal

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

C: Thanks be to God.

Today's Worship Leaders:

Pastor Sara Funkhouser
Chrissie Goldstein
Keiko Long
Raj & Colleen Lingappaiah
Gorden Trombley (1st & Psalm)
Lesley Morical (2nd)
Mary Hinderliter
Lollie Ellingson

Preacher/Presider
Musician
Communion Assistant
Ushers
Lectors

Broadview Transport
Altar Care

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: *Zechariah 9:9-12*
Psalm: *Psalm 145:8-14*
Second Reading: *Romans 7:15-25a*
Gospel: *Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30*

Announcements:

Seeking Yard Volunteers: Are you available and willing to help us with our yard care this summer? We are looking for a few volunteers to help us weed and water the plants, as well as mow the lawn. We have all the tools you need, including a battery powered lawn mower; we are just looking for a few folks to help spread the maintenance load around! Please let Pastor Sara, Laurie, or Marilyn know if you are interested or if you have any questions.

Pastor Sara's Summer Schedule: As she has mentioned, Pastor Sara will be in and out of the office quite a bit this summer. Below is a list of the dates when she will be gone for either work or vacation. She will make sure that you have the needed information for emergency pastoral care closer to these dates.

- July 7th-10th
- July 21st-August 3rd
- August 20th-23rd
- September 11th-16th: Nasal surgery and recovery

June Grief Group: Our grief group will be gathering during the following times in June. As always, if you are interested in the grief group, but are unable to attend any of these sessions, please talk to Pastor Sara.

- Tuesday, June 30th at 11:00 A.M.

Karen Senior's Memorial Service: The Memorial Service for Karen Senior will be held here at Luther Memorial on Friday, July 17th, at 12:00 P.M. There will be a reception to follow. All are invited to attend as we remember the life of this long-time member.

No Adult Forum in July or August: We will not have an Adult Forum the first Sunday of July or August, but we will resume again in September!

Food Pantry Donations: We will not be having specific food pantry donation themes this summer, but any donation you make is still greatly appreciated, as the need for food in our community remains high. Below are some specific items that are always requested:

- Canned chicken
- Canned fish
- Shelf stable milk
- Ramen noodles
- Canned fruit or fruit cups
- Bread
- Tortillas
- English muffins
- Bagels
- Tortillas
- Anything else that you find which is a good buy

*While we hope to continue putting out fresh produce, much of that through the summer will be weather dependent and will likely be on pause until cooler fall weather. However, if you have an abundance from your gardens, we can either use it or help connect it to someone who can.

Thank you so much for your generosity!

Upcoming Events

28	JUN, SUN	● 10:30 – 11:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship Sanctuary
		● 4 – 6pm	Skandia Society Rehearsal Celebration Hall
		● 6:30 – 7:30pm	NA Pink Progress Club Celebration Hall
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29	JUN, MON	● 6:45 – 7:45pm	NA - Afterparty Group Celebration Hall
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2	JUL, THU	● 6 – 9:30pm	Sound Harmony Sanctuary
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3	JUL, FRI	● 12 – 1pm	Pause for Prayer Zoom
		● 6 – 8pm	NAMI Library
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4	JUL, SAT	● All day	Independence Day United States
		● 12 – 2pm	Narcotics Anonymous Celebration Hall

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