

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 7, 2026



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PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for the following people:

Bob Getz, Wren Dillon, Jay Weaver, Jay Stoltzfus, Dave Haldeman, Vic Richard, Jean Lausch, Missy Weber, Mike Leed, Ruth Hollinger, Barb Moyer, Fay Weitzel, Shannon Brown, Shirley Sweigart, Molly Brown, Carl Mohler Jr., Vivian Gehr, Tom Parrish Sr, Elaine Haldeman, Clair Miller, Theda Raffauf, Mary Weidman, and Marty Leed & Family.

Ephrata Manor: Iris Weaver, Dorothy Hutchinson, Shirl Tobias and Pauline Sawyer
Gardens at Stevens: Pat & Nevin McQuate Luther Acres Health Care: Judy Meckley
Keystone Villa: Betty Firestine & Janet Hirneisen Ephrata Hospital: Ashley Leed
Fairmount Homes: Robert Hackman
Neffsville Rehab & Nursing: Pauline Martin Phoebe Berks: Nick Rampolla

Please pray for those in the Armed Forces: Chris Weidman in Qatar

Please pray for friends and family at home:

Bud Kneisley, Everett Kimball, Baby Girl Blake, Jason Mertz, Robert Evans, Dennis Steffy, Martha Miller, Brooke Stewart, Sheri Kiefer, Bob Meck, Mary Lou Crum, Jimmy Vincent, Mary Stewart, Lisa Wing, Cocalico Builders of Hope (finding a house for housing program), Lorna Buohl, Richard Sockriter, David Taimuty, Helen Blank, William Sockriter, Doug Cody, Ron Neidigh, Mary Morton, Brenda Sweigart, Nancy Bolotine, Karen Leonhard, Mary Sanger, Andy & Brenda Gabig, Brian Kerns, Bob Bos, Curtis Townsley, Robyn Redcay, Margaret Weller and Cynthia Peters.

Pray also for the grieving families of:

Carl Usner, Peggy French, Marion Gideon, Bishop Guy Edmiston, Pastor Marty Sheaffer, George Wolf, Glenn Eidemiller, Sally Wealand, Bob Farr, Cheryl Nixon, Bea Hassler, Mary Moore, Orvilla Oberholtzer, Lowell Haws, Mary Jane Goshert, Ed Sieber, Nancy Leh, Darrell Buchter, Jack Poole, Sharlene Miller, Joyce Pannebecker, Barb Mertz, Beverly Sweigart, Maggie Kiralfy, Dale Firestone, Yvonne Walters and Larry Rabold

† **WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP** †

*Please stand if you are able

Welcome / Announcements

Ahava is playing this morning.

Temple Talks:

Lisa Reed – Synod Assembly

Kimberley Craven – Great 8 Giving Totals

Preludes: “*Psalm 23*”

- Stuart Townend

“*I Need Thee Every Hour*”

Congregation sings along

I Need Thee Every Hour (I Need Thee)

Verse 1

I need Thee every hour
Most gracious Lord
No tender voice like Thine
Can peace afford

Chorus

I need Thee O I need Thee
Every hour I need Thee
O bless me now my Savior
I come to Thee

Verse 2

I need Thee every hour
Stay Thou near by
Temptations lose their pow'r
When Thou art nigh

Verse 3

I need Thee every hour
In joy or pain
Come quickly and abide
Or life is vain

Verse 4

I need Thee every hour
Most Holy One
O make me Thine indeed
Thou blessed Son

† **GATHERING** †

Pastor: This is the day the Lord has made.

Congregation: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

***GATHERING HYMN: “Come Thou Fount”**

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS**

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(a brief silence is observed)

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot 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, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

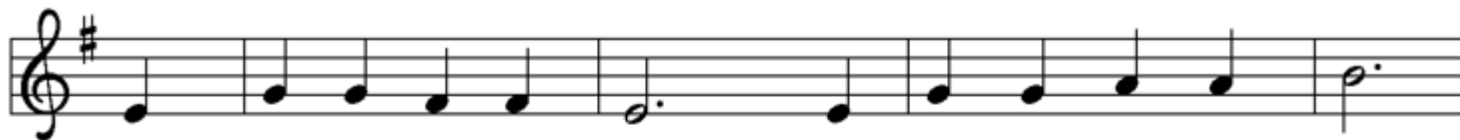
C: Amen

***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.

*THE KYRIE



1 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol - emn prayer.
2 Have mer - cy on us, Christ, and wash a - way our sin.
3 Have mer - cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de - part.



We come to hear your liv - ing word; it saves us from de - spair.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin.
Re - new us with your sav - ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE



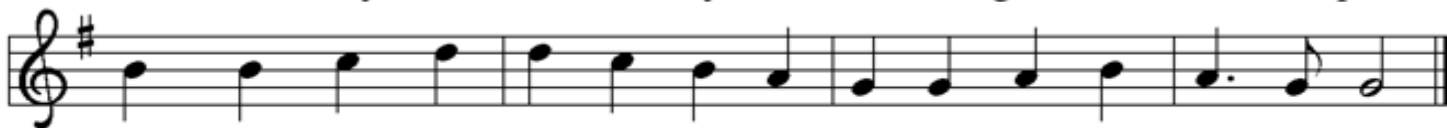
1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.

***THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray.

O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

† GOD'S WORD †

FIRST READING

HOSEA 5:15-6:6

Lay Reader (Tess Freeman): Readings from Hosea the 5th chapter.
Because the people have trusted in military powers and not God, God decides to withdraw from the scene until Israel acknowledges its guilt and seeks God's face. The response of the people does not acknowledge this guilt and is as fickle as fog or dew burned away quickly by the sun. God desires loyalty rather than words or meaningless deeds.

¹⁵ I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.
In their distress they will beg my favor:

^{6:1} “Come, let us return to the Lord,
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.

² After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.

³ Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers,
like the spring rains that water the earth.”

4 What 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 away early.

5 Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.

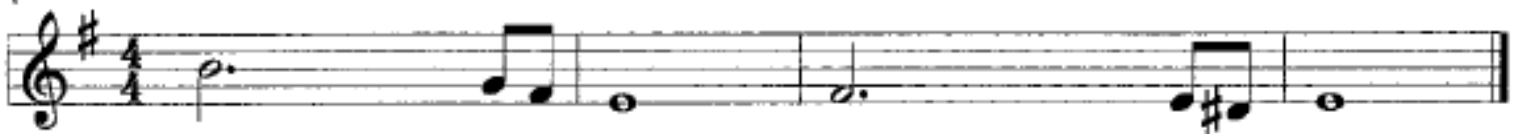
6 For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALMODY

PSALM 50:7-15



Call upon me in the day of trouble, says your God. (Ps. 50:15)

7 “Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you;

for I am God, your God.

8 **I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your burnt offerings are always before me.**

9 I will not accept a calf from your stalls,
nor goats from your pens;

10 **for all the wild animals of the forest are mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills. R**

11 I know every bird of the mountains,
and the creatures of the fields are mine.

12 **If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**

13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,
or drink the blood of goats?

14 **Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving
and make good your vows to the Most High.**

15 Call upon me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me. **R**

CHILDRENS SERMON

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

*THE HOLY GOSPEL

MATTHEW 9:9-13, 18-26

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 9th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.

⁹ As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹² But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹ And Jesus got up and

followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰ Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹ for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment. ²³ When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴ he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. ²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶ And the report of this spread through all of that district.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE: *“Cloudy With A Chance of Meatballs”* - Pastor Craven

SPECIAL MUSIC: *“The Table”* - Chris Tomlin

***THE APOSTLE’S CREED**

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and 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

† Prayers of Intercession †

*P: Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

P: God of mercy, you call us to a life filled with acts of mercy. Ground us in following Christ, that we might extend the mercy we receive. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of creation, all you have made is yours (*local landmarks and bodies of water may be named*). Revive lands in need of healing and make us wise stewards of all you have given us to tend. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of the nations, you promise to deliver those who call on you. Bring an end to conflict, bigotry, and injustice in all their forms wherever they are found. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of comfort, you provide for those in need. Bring an end to addiction. Comfort people as they mourn. Provide tenderly for those in need (*especially*). God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: God of blessings, you send the Holy Spirit to provide varieties of gifts in the body of Christ. Accompany those who travel this summer, make our gatherings joyous, and grant us a spirit of hospitality and togetherness. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: God of life, we give you thanks for saints whose lives revealed your faithfulness (*like Seattle, chief of the Duwamish Confederacy, whom the church remembers today*). May remembering their faithfulness strengthen our own. God of grace,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

C: Amen

***THE PEACE**

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

***OFFERING HYMN: "Open Our Eyes"**

Open our eyes Lord
we want to see Jesus
to reach out and touch Him
and say that we love Him
open our ears Lord
and help us to listen
open our eyes Lord
we want to see Jesus

***OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Merciful Father,

C: We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us- our selves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

† WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER †

***THE 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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has one measure. The lyrics are: '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.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

***THE PREFACE:**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....
We praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

***THE SANCTUS**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

P: 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 and 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.

***TRADITIONAL 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

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE AGNUS DEI



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

All Baptized Christians are welcome for Communion.

(If you would like baptized, see Pastor Tim.)

We ask parents to bring their non-communing children with them for a blessing. To receive the sacrament wine, take an empty cup from the tray. A grape juice option and gluten free communion wafers provided. If you cannot come to the Chancel, Communion will be taken to you.

Please notify an Usher.

Those in the parking lot partake of Communion at this time.

During Communion

Hymn #592: *“Just As I Am”*

Hymn #608: *“Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling”*

Hymn #666: *“What Wondrous Love is This”*

Hymn #616: *“Jesus, Remember Me”*

***POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

***Post Communion Canticle: Hymn #210:** *“Blessed Be God”*

Blessed be God, the source of all life, the word of salvation,
The spirit of mercy.

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

P: Let us pray.

Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

† WE LEAVE TO SERVE †

***BENEDICTION AND BLESSING**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

C: Amen Amen Amen (sung responsively)

***SENDING HYMN:** *“Here I am Lord”*

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord with joy.

C: Thanks be to God.

Participants in the Service:

Pastor: Timothy Craven

Church Secretary: Ashley Weinhold

Organist: Vickie Kissinger

Lay Reader: Tess Freeman

Communion Assistant: Lisa Reed

Psalmist: Erin Biles

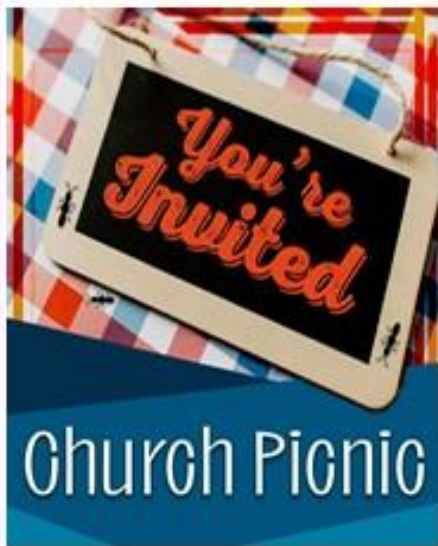
Videographer: The Boys

Soundboard: Troy Adair

Ushers: Mike Haller and Dave Weidman.

Weekly Receipts Report as of 06/04/26	
Attendance (Inside / Parking Lot)	75
Online Attendance	137
General Receipts	\$1,945.00





Faith United/Mellingers

Outdoor Worship Service & Picnic Sunday, June 28, 2026

10:00 AM

Denver Memorial Park
Stage & Pavilion 1

Music By Pastor Tim & Kim Craven

Come Dressed For The Outdoors.

Bring Your Lawn Chairs.

Lunch Following Worship Service

In Case of Inclement Weather the Service and Picnic will be held at Faith United Lutheran Church, 357 Walnut Street, Denver.

To help us plan, please sign your name, number attending and what you plan to provide for the Lunch on the sign up sheet.

Sandwiches, Hot Dogs and
Drinks Supplied.

