



## **Pentecost Six**

SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 2021  
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021

# Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## WORSHIP THEME

God has planted the seed of faith in our hearts and his desire is for that faith to grow and produce fruit. This growth of faith occurs always and only through the Word of God. As we continue to hear the Word, God blesses us and grows our faith and leads us to produce fruit for him. The Lord bless you and strengthen you as you listen to his Word today!

## HAVE A FAVORITE HYMN?

This week, we will be singing hymns that are chosen by families of our congregations. Take a look through your hymnal and select one or two favorites that you enjoy singing throughout the year. Pastor V will call on people during the service – it will be completely random! We will also do this the second week in July in August. We look forward to singing your favorite hymns!

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

**Preacher**

**Presiding Minister**

**Organist**

Pastor Collin Vanderhoof

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# SERVICE OF THE WORD

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## HYMN REQUESTS

*Please stand*

## INVOCATION

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## CONFESSION

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

**C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

## ABSOLUTION

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

**C: Amen.**

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is eter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases spanning across bar lines. The lyrics are aligned with the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span multiple notes or bars.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: O God, you have prepared joys beyond understanding for those who love you. Pour into our hearts such love for you that, loving you above all things, we may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody consists of quarter notes, with the final note being a half note. The lyrics are aligned with the notes.

*Please be seated*

# THE WORD

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## FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 17:22-24

<sup>22</sup> This is what the LORD God says. I myself will take part of the tip of the cedar and plant it. From the topmost of its shoots I will pluck off a tender sprig, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. <sup>23</sup> On the high mountain of Israel I will plant it. It will produce branches, bear fruit, and become a magnificent cedar. Flying birds of every kind will live under it. In the shelter of its branches they will nest. <sup>24</sup> Then all the trees in the countryside will know that I, the LORD, bring down the high tree and raise up the low tree, that I make the green tree dry up, and I make the dried-up tree blossom. I, the LORD, have spoken, and I will carry it out.

## PSALM OF THE DAY

*Sung in unison*

### *Refrain*



Bless-ed are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

### *Psalm tone*



Blessed is the man  
    who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked\*  
    or stand in the way of sinners.  
But his delight is in the law of the LORD,\*  
    and on his law he meditates day and night.  
He is like a tree planted by streams of water,  
    which yields its fruit in season\*  
    and whose leaf does not wither.  
    Whatever he does prospers.

### **Refrain**

*Continued*

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,\*  
nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.  
For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,\*  
but the way of the wicked will perish.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

***Refrain***

## **SECOND LESSON**

Colossians 1:3-8

<sup>3</sup> We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, <sup>4</sup> because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and the love that you have for all the saints <sup>5</sup> because of the hope that is stored up for you in heaven. You have already heard about this in the word of truth, the gospel <sup>6</sup> that is present with you now. The gospel is bearing fruit and growing in the entire world, just as it also has been doing among you from the day you heard it and came to know the grace of God in truth. <sup>7</sup> You learned this from Epaphras, our dear fellow servant, who is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf. <sup>8</sup> He is the one who told us about your love in the Spirit.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Spoken in unison*

**Alleluia. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Alleluia.**

*Please stand*

## **GOSPEL**

Mark 4:26-34

<sup>26</sup> He said, "The kingdom of God is like this: A man scatters seed on the ground, <sup>27</sup> and while he sleeps and rises, night and day, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. <sup>28</sup> The ground produces fruit on its own: first the blade, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup> When the crop is ready, he swings the sickle without delay, because the harvest has come." <sup>30</sup> Then he said, "To what should we compare the kingdom of God? Or with what parable may we picture it? <sup>31</sup> It is like a mustard seed, which when sown on the ground is one of the smallest of all the seeds planted in the ground. <sup>32</sup> Yet when it is planted, it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches so that the birds of the sky can nest under its shade." <sup>33</sup> With many similar parables he continued to speak the word to them, as much as they were able to hear. <sup>34</sup> He did not speak to them without a parable. But when he was alone with his disciples, he explained everything to them.

M: The Gospel of the Lord



*Please be seated*

## **HYMN REQUESTS**

## **SERMON**

*Please stand*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

**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.**

## **OFFERING**

*The Offering Plate is available on the shelf as you leave. If you wish to give an electronic offering, we have provided a QR code at the end of this worship folder.*

*You can also go to [pilgrimcares.org/giving](http://pilgrimcares.org/giving) to give your offerings online.*

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**C: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## HYMN REQUESTS

*Please stand*

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.



*Please be seated*

## HYMN REQUESTS



Pilgrim Lutheran Church can receive offerings electronically through a secure website. Scan the QR code with your smart phone (you might need to download a free QR scanning app) to be directed to Pilgrim's giving page or visit [pilgrimcares.org/giving](http://pilgrimcares.org/giving). Save the check – give online!

# Parents' Preview for June 20/23

## PURPOSE

The Parents' Preview highlights an aspect of next week's service: a liturgical song, a Psalm refrain, or a hymn stanza. Our hope and prayer are that parents will teach this portion of the service to their children at home during the week so that children can participate more fully in the worship service.

## Psalm 143

*Christian Worship*

### *Refrain*



Lord, let your mer-cy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

## PRAYER

O God, protector of all the faithful, you alone make strong; you alone make holy. Show us your mercy and forgive our sins day by day. Guide us through our earthly lives that we do not lose the things you have prepared for us in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# News N Notes

**Summer Worship Hours** We have switched to summer worship hours! Services will be held at 8:00am and 9:30am, the 9:30am service will be available on YouTube. Sunday Bible Class will be on a break for the summer, but Tuesday Bible Class will continue to be offered. These times will continue through Labor Day weekend. Following that, we will resume the usual 8 and 10:30 schedule, with Bible Class and Sunday school in between. Wednesday night worship will continue as normal at 6:30pm.

**A Voter's meeting** will be held on June 23, at 7:30pm. One of the topics under discussion will be the ministry plan for the next fiscal year.



**Fish Fry and Branches Concert!** Friday, June 25th Pilgrim is hosting a Fish Fry and Branches Band Concert in the school parking lot with food starting at 5:15 and music starting at 6:00. To help plan food amounts, please RSVP with the QR link below or on the sign up sheets in back of church.

**Calling All Bakers!** We're also looking for volunteers to bake cookies for the concert, if you're willing and able please drop them off at the school before noon on Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. If you are planning on bringing cookies, please also indicate this on the RSVP QR code or in back of church.

**Pastor V** was unable to complete his goal of visiting with every member before COVID hit. If he has not yet been able to visit with you, he would love to get to know you better. If you are comfortable with having a visit, please reach out to Pastor via text or email to set up a home visit.

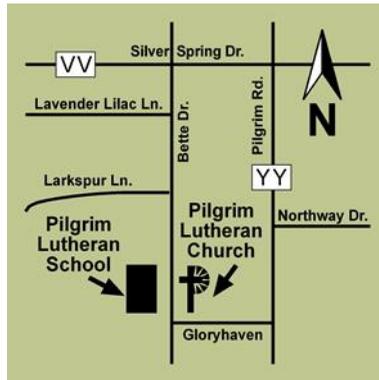
**Ushers are back!** Please check your mailboxes for your copy of the schedule or contact the office and we an email it to you.

	<u>8:00am</u>	<u>9:30am</u>
June 13	Bob Schaenzer Rick Kleszczynski	Jim Prekop Bill Ziche
June 20	Jim Brandt Tim Pankow	Bryan Giesenschlag Mark Murphy

**ATTENDANCE** – DOES NOT INCLUDE ONLINE WORSHIPPERS

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