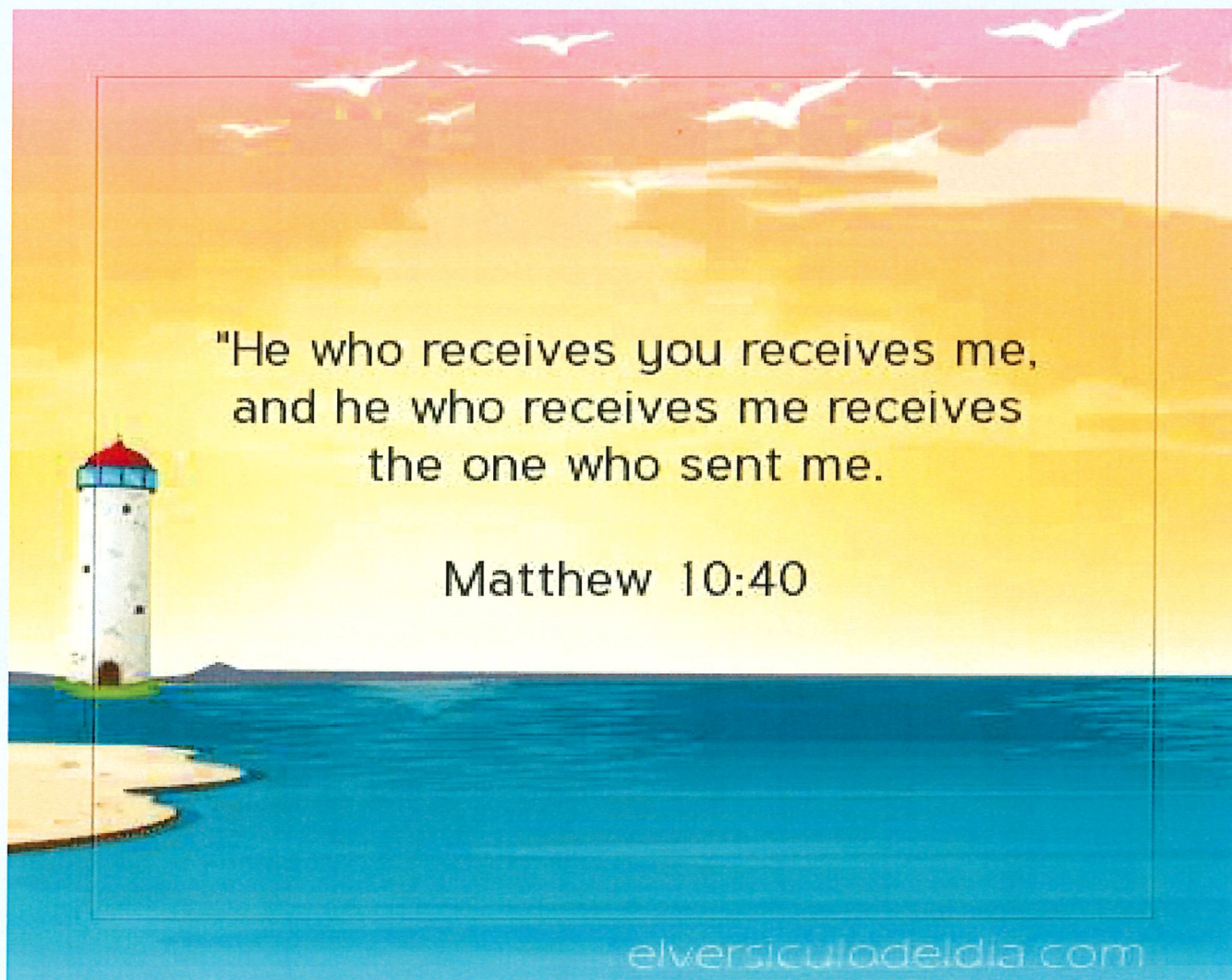




First Lutheran Church

June 28, 2026

Pentecost 5

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

TWO OAKES

Charles Lenz

Variations on All Our Welcome

MORNING PRAYER

The assembly stands.

AM: The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.

OPENING



Leader: O Lord, o - pen my lips,

and my mouth shall pro - claim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

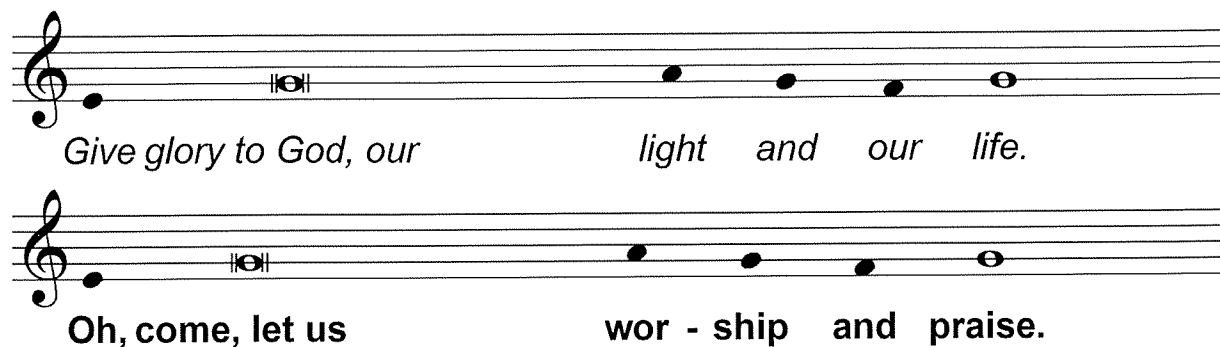
and to the Ho - ly Spir - it:

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now,

and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

PSALMODY

INVITATORY

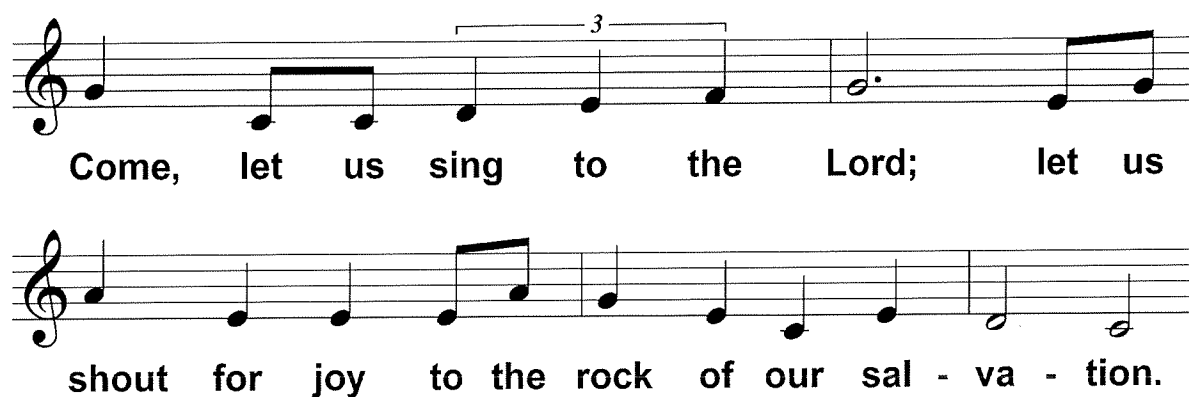


Give glory to God, our light and our life.

Oh, come, let us wor - ship and praise.

MORNING PSALM OF PRAISE

PSALM 95:1-7

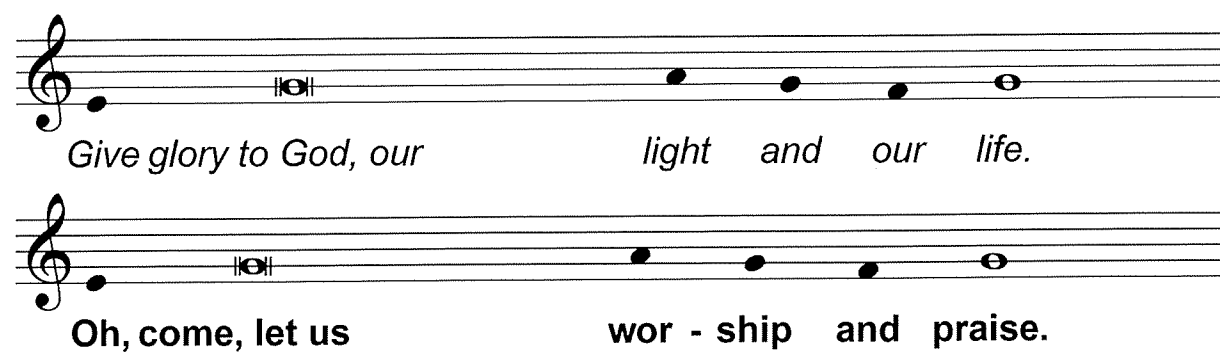


Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us

shout for joy to the rock of our sal - va - tion.

The Cantor will sing the verses.

FINAL INVITATORY



Give glory to God, our light and our life.

Oh, come, let us wor - ship and praise.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM: 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.**

The assembly is seated.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

FIRST READING

JEREMIAH 28:5-9

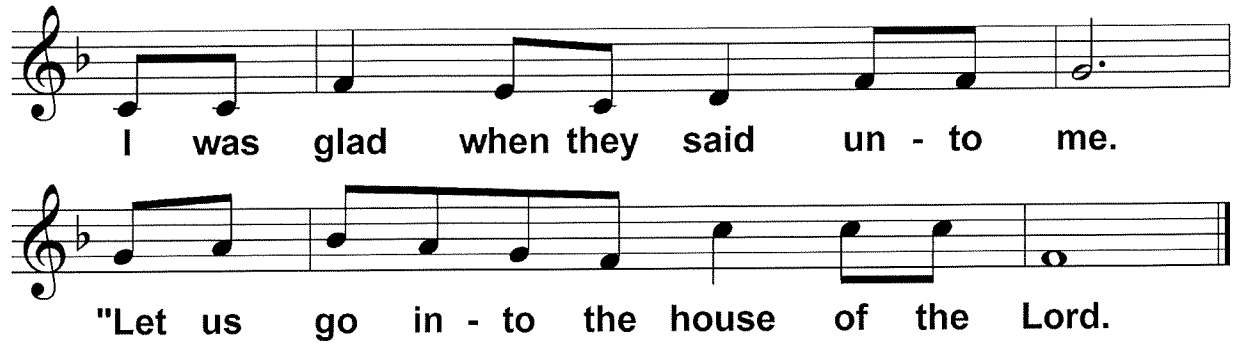
Through a symbolic action Jeremiah insisted that Judah and all the surrounding nations should submit to the king of Babylon (Jer. 27). Hananiah contradicted the word of Jeremiah, who in reply insisted that Hananiah's rosy prediction should not be believed until it came true. God confirmed the word of Jeremiah and sentenced the false prophet Hananiah to death (vv. 16-17).

R: A reading from Jeremiah, the twenty-eighth chapter.

⁵ 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, ⁶ 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. ⁷ But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸ The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹ 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."

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**



The Cantor will sing the verses:

- ¹ I was glad when they | said unto me, "Let us go into the house | of the Lord."
- ² Now our | feet are standing within your gates, | O Jerusalem.
- ³ Jerusalem is built | as a city that is at unity | with itself;
- ⁴ to which the tribes go up, the tribes | of the Lord,
the assembly of Israel, to praise the name | of the Lord. **Refrain**
- ⁵ For there are the | thrones of judgment, the thrones of the | house of David.
- ⁶ Pray for the peace | of Jerusalem: "May they pros- | per who love you. **Refrain**
- ⁷ Peace be with- | in your walls and quietness with- | in your towers.
- ⁸ For the sake of my kindred | and companions, I pray for | your prosperity.
- ⁹ Because of the house of the | Lord our God, I will seek to | do you good." **Refrain**

SECOND READING

ROMANS 6:12-23

Sin is an enslaving power which motivates us to live self-serving, disobedient lives. Sin's final payoff is death. We, however, have been set free from sin's slavery to live obediently under God's grace, whose end is the free gift of eternal life.

R: A reading from Romans, the sixth chapter.

- ¹ Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast

in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance,⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.⁶ For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.⁷ Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die.⁸ But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

The assembly stands.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



*The Cantor sings the verse: You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood,
a¹ holy nation,* in order that you may proclaim the mighty
acts of the one who called you out of darkness into his¹
marvelous light. (1 Peter 2:9)*

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 10:40-42

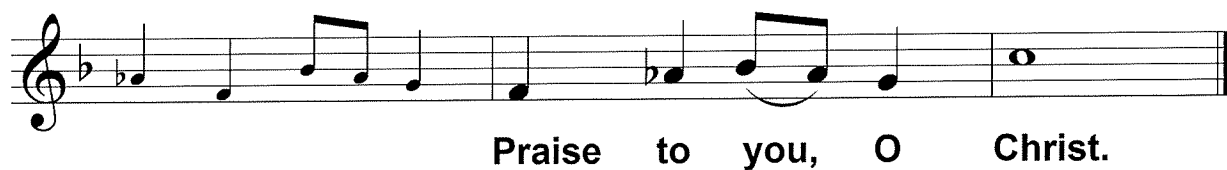
When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry.

PM: The Gospel according to Matthew.



[Jesus said to the twelve:] ⁴⁰ "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ 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, ⁴² 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."

PM: The Gospel of the Lord.





1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
 2 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
 3 Let us build a house where all are names, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
 wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
 heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 words with - in the Word. Built on ters and cries and



vi - sions rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this



love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions: All are wel - come,
 share in Christ the feast that frees us:
 house pro - claim from floor to raf - ter:



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

The assembly is seated.

REFLECTION

JONATHAN NOMINEE

The assembly stands.

CANTICLE

Refrain

In the ten - der com - pas - sion of our
God the dawn from on high shall
break up - on us.

The Cantor will sing the verses.

APOSTLES' CREED

AM: Living together in trust and hope, we profess our faith as expressed in the words of the Apostles' 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 catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING AND ORGAN MEDITATION

IN BABILONE

Michael Burkhardt

As We Gather at Your Table

The assembly stands.

OFFERING SONG

AS WE GATHER AT YOUR TABLE

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- 1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,
- 2 Turn our wor-ship in - to wit-ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
- 3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
where tri - um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for - give as you for - gave;
There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy,



teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.
may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound-ing joy.

OFFERING PRAYER

AM: 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.

The assembly kneels.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

A brief silence.

AM: Faithful God, establish your church to offer welcome
and proclaim your peace.
Nourish us so we can proclaim your hope to the world.

Each petition concludes:

PM: God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

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

The assembly stands.

LORD'S PRAYER

AM: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**C: 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.

SENDING

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

AM: We Pray together:

C: Oh God, your everlasting love for us is always trustworthy and sure.

We are grateful for your goodness
and we ask now for confidence to go forward into the future.

Bless our community of faith,
bless the changes that are before us,
bless our pastoral leaders who will shepherd us
through this time of transition.

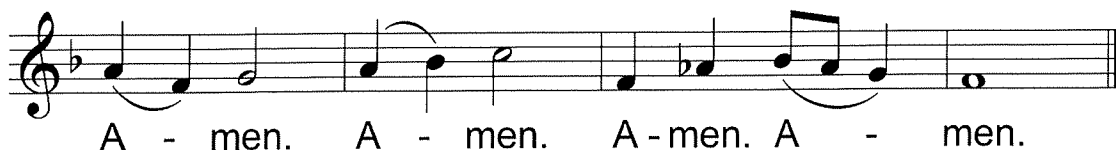
We thank you for the wisdom you show us.

Help us to keep looking to you to define our ministry and our future.

Receive our prayer, O God, through Jesus Christ,
our strength and salvation. Amen.

BLESSING

AM: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,
+ one God,
bless, heal, and hold you
today and always.





1 In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace
2 In Christ called to ban - quet, one tab - le we share,
3 In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise



then, ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.

DISMISSAL

AM: Heaven has come near.

PM: Go, share the good news!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

SAINT DENIO

Jason D. Payne

In Christ Called to Baptize

Events in Review

<u>Sunday</u>	June 28
10:00 AM	Pentecost 5
<u>Monday</u>	June 29
10:00 AM	NO Bible Study at Willows
<u>Tuesday</u>	June 30
<u>Wednesday</u>	July 1
6:00PM	Worship & Music
<u>Thursday</u>	July 2
<u>Friday</u>	July 3
<u>Saturday</u>	July 4
4th of July!!	
Happy 250th Birthday –America!!	



Last week's Altar Flowers were given
in loving memory of

John Brueggemeier,

Martin Brueggemeier (John's father)

Carl Chapman (Donna's father)

by

Donna, Kelli, Amy & Julie and their Families.



If you have a prayer request for today,
please raise your hand during announce-
ments and a host will give you a green
card to fill out.

Cookie Sign up sheets are located on the
Information Board in the hallway. The time is
before and after Church Service. Approximately 4
dozen cookies are needed each week.



Next Week

<u>Sunday</u>	July 5
10:00 AM	Pentecost 6
<u>Monday</u>	July 6
10:00AM	Bible Study at Willows
<u>Tuesday</u>	July 7
<u>Wednesday</u>	July 8
9:00AM	Piece Corp
6:00PM	Property Com.
<u>Thursday</u>	July 9
<u>Friday</u>	July 10
<u>Saturday</u>	July 11



Big

thank you to our Weed Warriors
for the fabulous job they did
beautifying the church's
landscaping for the summer !



Don't forget to fill out the survey.

Your input is very important for
the future of our church.

Now is the time to express yourself.

LAWN MOWER OF THE WEEK

Rick Nominee



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Our Mission Statement

“God is among us!”

**“We are called to go out, care for all, share the gospel,
forgive, reconcile and trust God for all that we need.”**

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