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The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM June 28, 2026

OUR THEME FOR THIS YEAR IS LOVE AND ZEAL: A GOOD MIX FOR 2026!

"Never be lacking in zeal, but maintain your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord." ~ Romans 12:11

We welcome you to Our Shepherd. It is a joy to have you with us today! We pray that you will be strengthened and uplifted through our worship.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Organ Prelude: Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus . . . P. Manz

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn: LSB 579 – The Law of God Is Good and Wise

Invocation

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

C: *Amen.*

Exhortation

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: *But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

Confession of Sins

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: *Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.*

Absolution

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: *Amen.*

Hymn of Praise: LSB 950 – Splendor and Honor (vs. 1-3)

Splendor and honor, majesty and power
Are Yours, O Lord God, fount of ev'ry blessing,
For by Your bidding was the whole creation
Called into being.

Praised be the true Lamb, slain for our redemption,
By whose self-off'ring we are made God's people:
A priestly kingdom, from all tongues and nations,
Called to God's service.

To the Almighty, throned in heav'nly splendor,
And to the Savior, Christ our Lamb and Shepherd,
Be adoration, praise, and glory given,
Now and forever.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray:

C: *Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

Scripture Readings (Back of Bulletin)

LSB 167

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 28: 5-9

Epistle: Romans 7: 1-13

Holy Gospel: Matthew 10: 34-42

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: *Thanks be to God*

Hymn of the Day: LSB 685 – Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

Children’s Message

Message from the Word:

Sermon Theme: Rev. Mark Mueller's 50th Anniversary of Pastoral Ministry

Sermon Text: 2 Timothy 4:1-5

Apostle’s Creed: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer for the Anniversary of an Ordination (10:30)

P: Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, with gratitude and joy we give thanks this day for Pastor Mark Mueller, who 50 years ago was ordained and consecrated to the Office of the Holy Ministry in the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. We thank God that He established this office in His Church through which “are imparted not bodily, but eternal things and gifts, namely, eternal righteousness, the Holy Spirit, and eternal life.” We praise the Lord that He has permitted His servant to serve His Church these many years and that He has sustained and supported him and blessed his ministry among his church.

C: Amen.

Responsive Prayer

P: I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever;
C: *with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.*
P: Blessèd are the people who know the festal shout,
C: *who walk, O LORD, in the light of your face,*
P: who exult in your name all the day

C: *and in your righteousness are exalted.*
P: For you are the glory of their strength;
C: *By your favor, our horn is exalted.*
P: For our shield belongs to the LORD,
C: *our king to the Holy One of Israel.*
P: I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD, forever;
C: *with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations.*

Prayers/Lord’s Prayer

Words of Institution/The Lord’s Supper (10:30 a.m.)

The Bible is specific about who should attend the Lord’s Supper (1 Corinthians 10: 16-17; 11: 27-30). We invite those who wish to confess their sins and believe they receive Christ’s body and blood in this sacrament, for their forgiveness, to join us at the Lord’s Table for their spiritual strengthening.

Communion Hymn: Agnus Dei (LSB 180)

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Hymn: LSB 623 - Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray

Post-Communion Canticle: Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev’ryone what He has done. Let ev’ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Closing Hymn: LSB 895 – Now Thank We All Our God

Benediction

Postlude: Now Thank We All Our God . . . S. Karg-elert

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Tuesday	Share Our Strengths (S.O.S.)	6:00 PM
Saturday	Worship Service	6:00 PM
Sunday	Worship Service	8:00 & 10:30 AM
Sunday	Teen Bible Class	9:30 AM
Sunday	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:30 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS: Flowers are given to the glory of God this weekend in loving memory of Roger Damask, and in celebration of 50 years of ministry for Pastor Mark Allen Mueller.

FIRST-TIME VISITORS: Welcome, guests and visitors! Please take home an Our Shepherd gift bag located on the table in the narthex as a "thank you" for being here!

NEW TEEN YOUTH GROUP: Announcing a new teen youth group for ages 13-17, led by Morgan Zeige and Aleksia Poellet. The group will meet for Bible study on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the Fish Building conference room. Gatherings and events will be announced as they are scheduled.

GREENDALE 4th OF JULY PARADE: Please sign up if you can join us to march and pass out candy and flyers to share Our Shepherd with the community! The parade starts at 9:30 a.m.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL: Please sign up if you can join us for an ice cream social following the 6:00 p.m. service on July 11.

CHURCH PICNIC: Join us for food, games, a bounce house, and fellowship at our annual church picnic following the 10:30 service on Sunday, July 12. Please bring a dish to pass!

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CELEBRATION OF 50 YEARS IN MINISTRY FOR PASTOR MARK ALLEN MUELLER

Today, Pastor Mark asks the congregation to join him in praising and thanking God for the privilege of serving as a Christian pastor for 50 years.

The worship service today and the following meal is a full-circle moment! It was in May 1976 that Mark Allen Mueller graduated from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, MO. One week later, he was ordained at his home congregation, Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Milwaukee. A meal for the congregation followed the service!

Pastor Mueller has served at congregations in Illinois, Missouri, Texas, and Wisconsin. God has blessed Pastor Mark and his wife of 53 years, Pat, with three children, Kurt, Anne, and Beth, spouses, and nine grandchildren. Spending time with his family, along with witnessing about Jesus to anyone he meets, are his greatest joys.

You will find no photos on display today. Those memories are for another day. Today, Pastor Mueller wishes the congregation to focus on our Father's mercy and love. We worship Christ for His resurrection and His goodness to all of us. We praise the Holy Spirit for the Word of God and the precious Gospel. We rejoice in the gift of salvation.

To God be the Glory!

The Word Today is aired locally on Sunday mornings at 7:45 on WJYI 1340 AM and at 8:30 on WRJN 1400 AM

Listener Responses to The Word Today

Nzebi (Congo)

After losing my husband, I lived in deep sadness. I could no longer find peace. Through TWT Nzebi programs, I received words of encouragement and hope. Little by little, God healed my heart. Today, I have regained the joy of living and can encourage others.

I was living without any clear purpose. I spent my time with bad influences. By regularly listening to TWT Nzebi programs, I understood that God had a plan for my life. I began taking my studies seriously and now serve in my local church. I thank God for this program.

When I lost my job, I felt discouraged and worried about my children. The TWT Nzebi programs helped me keep trusting God despite difficulties. I learned to place my worries in the Lord's hands. Today, God has opened a new door for me

I thought my life no longer had value because of my age and the trials I had gone through. Through the teachings of TWT Nzebi, I came to understand that God still has a plan for each of us. Today, I am filled with hope, and I share this faith with those around me.

Tamil (Sri Lanka)

"Despite coming from a different religious background, I think your programs are fantastic. They have made it easier for me to comprehend Jesus' life and teachings and to learn more about Christianity."

"I'm still a student, but I make it a point to listen to these broadcasts every week. Each episode teaches me something new, and it has greatly aided my spiritual development. I am extremely blessed by what I learn from these teachings."

Nepali (Nepal)

"My journey with the radio program was truly amazing. From the first day I started listening, I decided to follow the program regularly, and now it has become a very important part of my life. I am an illiterate woman, but my husband can read and write a little. By listening together to our radio program, we have been blessed and have learned many new things. It has given value and meaning to our daily life. We are also very thankful for this gift of a new radio. Because of that, we can listen more clearly and grow better in our life."