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**The Second Sunday After Pentecost      7:00 AM & 10:30 AM      June 7, 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:** The God of Abraham Praise . . . B. Culli

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Opening Hymn:** LSB 798 – The God of Abraham Praise (vs. 1-4 & 9)

**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 and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

*LSB 167*  
**Scripture Readings** (Back of Bulletin)

**Old Testament Reading:** Hosea 5:15 – 6:6

**Epistle:** Romans 4:13-25

**Holy Gospel:** Matthew 9:9-13

**P:** the Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** *Thanks be to God!*

**Hymn of the Day:** LSB 609 – Jesus Sinners Doth Receive (vs. 1-4 & 7)

### Children’s Message

#### Message from the Word:

**Sermon Series: THE JOYS OF EASTER, Part 5 - Forever Friends**

**Sermon Text: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

**Nicene Creed:** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Offering

#### Prayer for Healing

#### Responsive Prayer:

**P:** You have dealt well with your servant,

**C:** *O LORD, according to your word.*

**P:** Teach me good judgment and knowledge,

**C:** *for I believe in your commandments.*

**P:** Before I was afflicted I went astray,

**C:** *but now I keep your word.*

**P:** You are good and do good;

**C:** *teach me your statutes.*

**P:** The insolent smear me with lies,

**C:** *but with my whole heart I keep your precepts;*

**P:** their heart is unfeeling like fat,

**C:** *but I delight in your law.*

**P:** It is good for me that I was afflicted,

**C:** *that I might learn your statutes.*

**P:** The law of your mouth is better to me

**C:** *than thousands of gold and silver pieces.*

#### Prayers/Lord’s Prayer

#### Words of Institution/The Lord’s Supper (8:00 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 p. 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 702 – My Faith Looks Up to Thee

**Post-Communion Canticle:** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell everyone what He has done. Let everyone 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 803 – Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

#### Benediction

**Postlude:** Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee . . . A. Travis



**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FLOWERS:** Flowers are given to the glory of God this weekend in honor of June Drew’s 100<sup>th</sup> birthday! God’s blessings to June and her family as they celebrate this milestone!

**ALUMINUM CANS:** We are collecting aluminum cans this weekend, June 6 & 7, in the north parking lot. No glass or plastic, please.

**FIRST-TIME VISITORS:** Welcome to our 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!

**COFFEE BAR:** Do you enjoy our coffee bar? We need additional help running it each Sunday. Contact the church office or Jill Clopper directly if you can volunteer!

**\*\*NEW DATE\*\* CELEBRATION:** Please sign up and join us for a catered meal following the 10:30 service on **Sunday, June 28** as we acknowledge and celebrate **50 years of ministry for Pastor Mark Allen Mueller!**

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY AND VOW RENEWAL:** Please note on an attendance card if you will be celebrating an anniversary in a multiple of 5 (5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, etc.) in 2025. On **June 20 & 21**, at each service, we will have a vow renewal for those couples with the presentation of a rose.

**SERVE AT THE EBENEZER FOOD PANTRY:** On Saturday, June 20, 2026, we are asking for 8 volunteers to bag and distribute food to those in need from 8:00 – 11:30 a.m. Please sign up using the link on our website.

**GREENDALE 4<sup>th</sup> OF JULY PARADE:** Join us to pass out candy and 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, bounce house, and fellowship at our annual church picnic following the 10:30 service on Sunday June 12. Please bring a dish to pass!

**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	Sunday School/Adult Bible Class	9:30 AM

**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**

**Awadhi**

I listen to God’s Word in the Awadhi language through the radio, and since I started listening, the Lord Jesus has blessed me abundantly. Earlier, I was suffering from water accumulation in my stomach and became very weak, but when I believed in the name of Jesus Christ and prayed with faith, the Lord healed me completely from my sickness. As it is written in Psalm 50:15, *“Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will glorify Me,”* the Lord fulfilled this promise in my life. Jesus saved me from the mouth of death and gave me a new life. Today, my whole family also believes in Jesus Christ, and we regularly listen to God’s Word together on the radio.

I listen to God’s Word in the Awadhi language through the radio. Since I started listening, the Lord Jesus has blessed me abundantly. One day I heard this verse from Proverbs 6:23: *“For this command is a lamp, this teaching is a light, and correction and instruction are the way to life.”* Through this Word, the Lord Jesus worked powerfully in my life. Earlier, I had no interest in going to school, I made many excuses, told lies, and did not obey my parents. Because of these things, I was very troubled. But after listening to God’s Word on the radio, the Lord transformed my life. Now I believe in Jesus Christ, and in whatever work I do, I begin with prayer.

Our brother listens to God’s Word in the Awadhi language. Since he began listening to the Lord’s message through the radio, God has greatly blessed his family. From the Word of God, he learned: *“Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”* Earlier, he faced financial troubles and was unemployed, but after he started hearing God’s Word on the radio, the Lord brought wonderful blessings into his and his family’s life. His children, who previously could not get admission to school, are now enrolled and attending classes regularly. Our brother now gathers with his entire family to listen to God’s Word on the radio and glorifies the name of the Lord. Amen. Praise the Lord Jesus!

**Banjara**

I work as a daily laborer. Though my work is simple, I thank the Lord for giving me the privilege to hear His Word through this ministry. One day, I listened to the message from Luke 13:6–9 about the fig tree. The Lord spoke to my heart through this passage. Just as the fig tree is expected to bear fruit, God desires that I too should live a life that brings forth fruit for His glory. The Word reminded me that faith itself is a gift from God, and that I must use this faith to grow, to remain steadfast, and to live as a witness for Christ. These radio messages are encouraging me to live not just for myself, but to bear fruit that will last for the Lord’s kingdom. Every time I hear the Word, I am strengthened to live a faithful life, to remain rooted in Christ, and to walk with hope.