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**The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost      8:00 AM & 10:30 AM      July 5, 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:** Come Unto Me, Ye Weary . . . B. Culli

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Opening Hymn:** LSB 684 – Come Unto Me, Ye Weary

**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:** *Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; 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)

**Old Testament Reading:** Hosea 5:15 – 6:Zechariah 9: 9-12

**Epistle:** Romans 7: 14-25a

**Holy Gospel:** Matthew 11: 25-30

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

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

**Hymn of the Day:** LSB 699 – I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

**Children’s Message**

**Message from the Word:**

**Sermon Theme: America at 250 – Cell Phones Don’t Lie**

**Sermon Text: Titus 3: 1-8**

**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:** He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

**C:** *will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.*

**P:** I will say to the Lord, “My refuge and my fortress,

**C:** *my God, in whom I trust.”*

**P:** Because you have made the Lord your dwelling place—

**C:** *the Most High, who is my refuge—*

**P:** no evil shall be allowed to befall you,

**C:** *no plague come near your tent.*

**P:** He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High

**C:** *will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.*

**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 570 (vs. 1-2, 5-6)

**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 965 – God Bless Our Native Land

**Benediction**

**Postlude:** God Bless our Native Land . . . C. Doran

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**FLOWERS:** Flowers are given to the glory of God this weekend in loving memory of Neva Ireland.

**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.

**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!

**SERVE AT THE EBENEZER FOOD PANTRY:** On Saturday, July 18, 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.

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**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

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**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**

**Saraiki**

I'm a 25-year-old housewife. I rejoice in Christ. My hubby is a laborer. I learned about the Bible and how to read it efficiently one day while listening to TWT Radio Programs. It provided me with peace of mind. I am hoping that God will hear my prayers and bless me with a child. Jesus Christ is my hope and my strength.

**Sindhi**

I am from Sindh. I drive a three-wheel vehicle that transports passengers from one location to another. I am forty years old. I listen to TWT Sindhi broadcasts daily. When I have passengers in my car, I also activate these programs. They are also paying close attention. Then I informed them about these programs.

**Nepali**

I am one of the listeners of the TWT-Nepali program. I am from a very strong Buddhist family background. Our beliefs and practices are like worshipping Buddha and meditating on his chants. Actually, real things to say that I have been so fading off by doing all kinds of filthy things so in my heart I have kept already that I have to come up with a realistic view and do the right things. So as time went on I found some of my neighborhoods go to a prayer meeting. So one day I decided to go and went with them and sat there and watched every activity. By intensely watching everything that has given me some meaningful sense in my life. After that, I decided to follow that new way. I began to listen to the word of God; I began to listen to the Radio program and participate in church activities. These all my acts refining my life and my behavior and thoughts. So still I am not strong in my faith, but I have been growing in the word of God and my spiritual life through the TWT-Nepali program. In my transitional life, I can give a grant to the Radio Program and My God Jesus Christ who has been making all the elements for my favorable spiritual life.

**Pakistan**

"I am 35 years old. God has blessed me with wonderful work and good health. Listening to TWR radio broadcasts is an important part of my daily routine. Every evening, our family listens to The Word Today Sindhi broadcasts and pray for our family members.

"I am a believer. I am 55 years old. My wife passed away five years ago. The children long for their mother. So we all sit around and listen to The Word Today broadcasts. At home, I also sing hymns and pray with the children. As a result, their minds are refreshed. My family is spiritually maturing as a result of these programmes. I appreciate these programmes."