

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2026

Order of Worship

Prelude- Fairest Lord Jesus: Erinn Schwarz. A Silesian Folk Melody
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee: Ludwig van Beethoven
A Day of Joy and Gladness: Lani Smith

Welcome

Opening Hymn- ELW #641 All Are Welcome, vs. 1, 2, 3

Prayer of the Day

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son. Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred that infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and, through our struggle and confusion, work to accomplish your purposes on earth; so that, in your good time, every people and nation may serve you in harmony; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Hymn of Praise- Step by Step

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

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I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways,
and step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days. *(repeat verse)*

And I will follow you all of my days, and I will follow you all of my days,
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Gospel: Matthew 10:40-42 NRSVUE

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."

Sermon

Hymn of the Day- ELW #641 All Are Welcome, vs. 1, 4, 5

Prayers of the People (response to "Lord in your Mercy" is "Hear our prayer.")

Offering Hymn- ELW #679 For the Fruit of All Creation

P: Let us pray.

All: Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them as what we have to offer today and please move us with mercy to continue sharing our gifts with love. Amen.

Holy Communion

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer: **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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

Distribution

Communion Hymns- ELW #491 Come, Let Us Eat

ELW #484 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Communion Blessing

Announcements

Benediction

Closing Hymn- ELW #546 To Be Your Presence

Dismissal

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Postlude- Holy, Holy, Holy Arranged by Fred Bock

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Musicians:

Sherry Johnson, Director of Music, sherry.johnson@explorepeace.org

Lisa Bright- Song Leader

Elaine Mischler- Pianist

Greeters: Connie & Sue Jostad

Ushers: Kevin Arvold, Byron Dennison, Dave Hineline, Mike Smith

Communion Assistants: JoAnn Hoffman, Janell Benish, Jan Dennison

Audio/Visual Team: The Walkes

Bread Bakers: Carolyn Niehoff, Jackie Erlandson, Paulette Emberson

Sunday AM Hospitality Time: Kristin Benz & kiddos

Pastoral Team:

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