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Sunday, June 14, 2026
Third Sunday After Pentecost
Welcome!
Outdoor Worship Service

PRELUDE: ORGAN / CLAVINOVA
[*] REQUESTS YOUR RISING IF COMFORTABLE
GREETINGS



***GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C And also with you.

***HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW p. 58)**



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



B Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



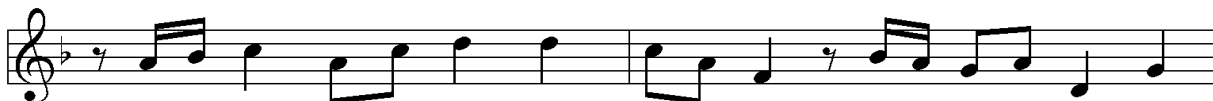
You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.



You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

***PRAYER OF THE DAY (WOV p. 16)**

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

P God, our maker and redeemer, you have made us a new company of priests to bear witness to the Gospel. Enable us to be faithful to our calling to make known your promises to all the world; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen**

LESSONS: LECTIONARY YEAR A LECTOR: TRISH DEPPERMAN

FIRST LESSON: Exodus 19:2-8a

A reading from Exodus.

At Sinai God assured Israel, “You shall be my treasured possession,” and commissioned them to serve as mediating priests for the nations. The people commit themselves completely to God’s will.

² [The Israelites] journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain.³ Then Moses went up to God; the LORD called to him from the mountain, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the Israelites: ⁴ ‘You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. ⁵ Now, therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶ but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation.’ These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.”

⁷ So Moses went, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. ^{8a} The people all answered as one, “Everything that the LORD has spoken we will do.”

READER The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 100

We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture. (*Ps. 100:2*)

¹ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all you lands!

² Serve the LORD with gladness; come into God's presence | with a song.

³ **Know that the LORD is God, our maker to whom | we belong;
we are God's people and the sheep | of God's pasture.**

⁴ Enter the gates of the LORD with thanksgiving and the | courts with praise;
give thanks and bless God's | holy name.

⁵ **Good indeed is the LORD, whose steadfast love is | everlasting,
whose faithfulness endures from | age to age.**

SECOND LESSON: Romans 5:1-8

A reading from Romans.

We are no longer God's enemies but have peace with God because we were brought into a right relationship with God through Christ's death.

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.

READER The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*VERSE (LBW p. 62)



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

***GOSPEL: Matthew 9:35—10:8 [9-23]**

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 9th & 10th chapters.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The mission of Jesus' followers is to continue the mission of Jesus himself. Here, he instructs his first disciples as to how they might proclaim the gospel through their words and deeds.

³⁵ Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness.

³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

^{10:1} Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. ² These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not take a road leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town, ⁶ but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. ⁷ As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' ⁸ Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

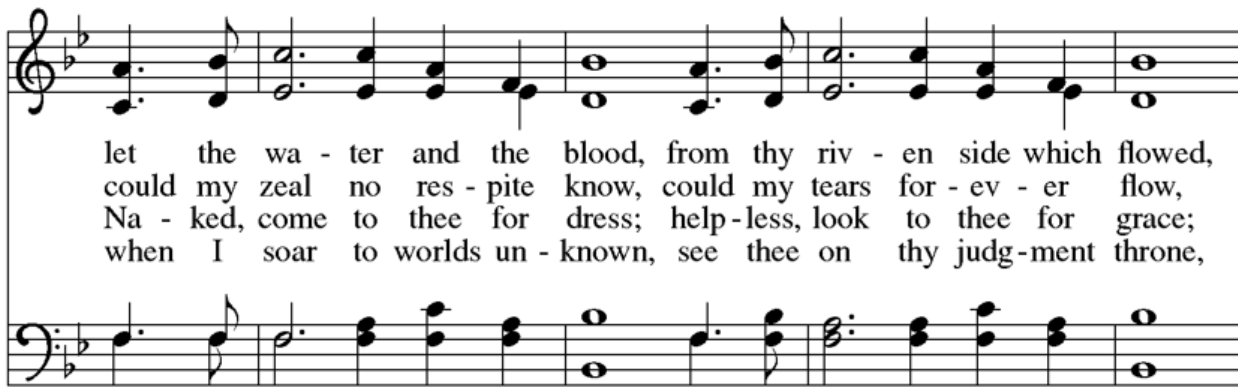
HOMILY: 'SENT'

HYMN OF THE DAY: HYMN *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* (LBW 327)

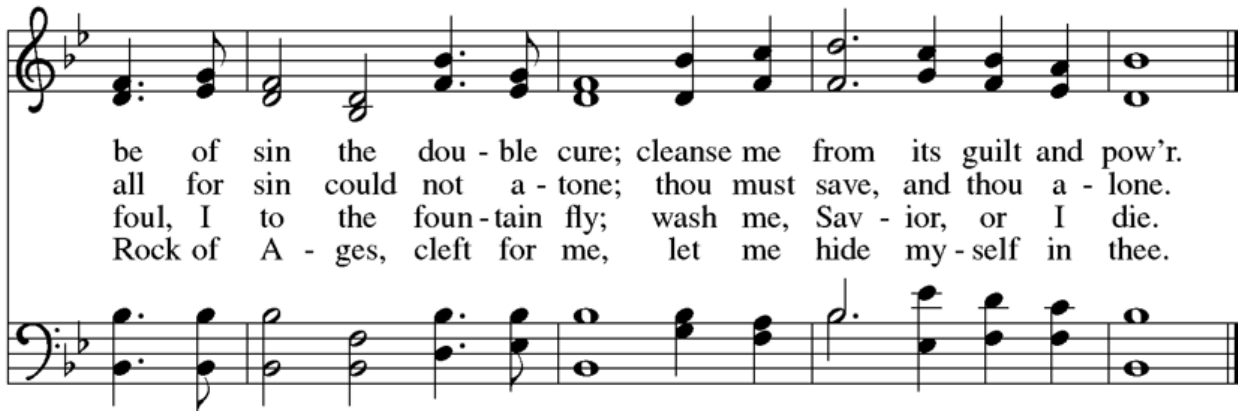
Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me



1 Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee;
2 Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de - mands;
3 Noth - ing in my hand I bring; sim - ply to thy cross I cling.
4 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,



let the wa - ter and the blood, from thy riv - en side which flowed,
could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
Na - ked, come to thee for dress; help - less, look to thee for grace;
when I soar to worlds un - known, see thee on thy judg - ment throne,



be of sin the dou - ble cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
all for sin could not a - tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.
foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I die.
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

Text: Augustus M. Toplady, 1740–1778
Music: TOPLADY, Thomas Hastings, 1784–1872

***CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.*
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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 PRAYERS

- P Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.
- P God of freedom, you ransomed Israel from slavery to be a holy people. As we observe Juneteenth this coming week, free us also to be a people who proclaim your liberating love. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P God of creation, you call all the earth to make a joyful noise to you. Let us join the chorus of the natural world in proclaiming your glory. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P God of the nations, you sent Jesus as peace for all of humankind. Bring an end to war and conflict, bring hope to places devastated by destruction (*especially*), and sustain those who advocate for peace. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P God of grace, you pour hope and love into our hearts in times of shame and doubt. Protect those experiencing housing insecurity. Uplift anyone struggling with hopelessness, illness, or other worries (*especially*). God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P God of all, you call your children to serve in a plentiful harvest. Give us the wisdom to know how best to serve our local community and our neighbors. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P God of faith, we give thanks for (*Macrina, Basil the Great, Gregory of Nyssa, Gregory of Nazianzus, and all*) the saints who earnestly seek you. Guide us as we seek to follow those who have led your church. God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.
- C Amen.**



A TIME SET ASIDE FOR SILENT PRAYER

***PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us share God's peace with one another.

***OFFERTORY (WOV p. 50)**



Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

P Let us pray.

P Gracious God,

C **in the abundance of your steadfast love, you call us from death to life, from silence to speech, from idleness to action. With these gifts we offer ourselves to you, and with the Church through all the ages we give thanks for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

***LORD'S PRAYER**

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**



***BLESSING**

P Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen

REFLECTIONS

1. What, do you think, was the most controversial statement that Jesus ever made?
2. Would you agree or disagree with the statement that Christians are too apathetic today about their beliefs? And, if so, how can we/you better live a life of faithfulness?
3. Is there a specific Bible verse that equips you to defend your faith?

Note: The above are hard questions to answer because they affect our social interactions and political beliefs. Give the questions some thought, ok?

P Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. Thank you for coming!



~ Strength & Healing Concerns~

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pam Rabe	Judy Livingston	Pat Janssen	Bill Juraco
Mary Lou Nannen	Judy Wyss	Virginia Mahan	Richard Sathoff
Carl Satterlee	Dave Kroepel	Linda Meyer	Grant Blaza
Doug Rabe	Alice Lopez	Marsha Shafer	Bobby Creamer
Becky Pfahl	Brenda Hyneman	Rita Scott	Karen Randle
Julie Scott	Lois Chitwood		

And All Soldiers Serving Our Country

~ THANK YOU ~

Music: Linda Garmon
Reader: Trish Deppermann
Greeter: Ladies'

~ ST. PETER HAPPENINGS ~

June 14th – Non-Communion Service

9am Outdoor Worship Service – weather permitting

June 20th – 8am Men's Breakfast @ Smithville Bible Church

June 21st – Communion Sunday

9am Worship Service

~Happy Father's Day~

June 23rd – Ladie's Night @ Gil's – beginning at 5:30

June 28th – Non-Communion Sunday

9am Worship Service

The WELCA "Project Promise" continues its next phase for the summer months by collecting donations for the School Kits in June, July, and August. Containers will be available in the Narthex to collect the following items:

- ❖ Notebooks – 70 sheets only
- ❖ Pencils (unsharpened) and ball point pens (no gel ink)
- ❖ Pencil Sharpeners
- ❖ Erasers (2 inches)
- ❖ Rulers (inches on one side and centimeters on the other)
- ❖ Scissors (blunt safety)
- ❖ Boxes of crayons (16 or 24 count only)

***If you would like for Sharon to do the shopping, just give her the money and she will get it done!!**

Ladie's Night Out at Gil's will be the 4th Tuesday this month instead of the 3rd Tuesday! So please join us on **Tuesday, June 23rd @ 5:30**. Please let Caryn know if you will be attending! 309-678-7484.

!!Calling all Choir Members!!
Help lead us with some patriotic songs for the All-American Celebration!! Fun will be had by all. Can't wait to see everyone!

St Peter Lutheran Church's All American Celebration

Come join us for an all-American celebration honoring our country's 250th anniversary on Friday, July 10th. Our celebration will begin at 5:00 p.m. with festivities being outdoors if weather permits. The evening includes:

- Delicious all-American meal including Fried Chicken and the fixings provided by St. Peter's
- Wear your patriotic clothes – prize for best dressed!
- Activities include a Cake Walk, Scavenger Hunt, bags and other fun activities for all ages

Invite your friends and family to our celebration. It's going to be a fun evening celebrating our country.

We will have a sign-up sheet in the Narthex so we have an idea of how much food we will need. We will also have a sign-up sheet if you would like to donate a cake for the cake walk.

Any questions, contact the Evangelism Committee: Kathy Rosenbohm, Sharon Phelps, John and Dianne Turner and Tom and Rosemary Haynes.



GOSPEL MESSAGE

June 14, 2026

LECTIONARY 11

Compassion as Proclamation

When Jesus instructed his followers to “ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers” (Matthew 9:38), his disciples might not have expected that the sending would happen so quickly, or that *they* would be the ones sent. The job of harvest laborers might seem straightforward enough: Recognize the gifts, the fruit, and use them to advance the good news of God’s work. But what prompts Jesus to tell the disciples to ask God for laborers is that he sees people who are “harassed and helpless” (v. 36) and is moved to compassion. That movement prompts us to consider that compassion is not merely a feeling that is held, but an energy that reaches out through us to others.

Congregational mission statements and our Sunday liturgy commonly reinforce that the faithful are sent into the world proclaiming the good news of God in Christ. The scriptures stress the importance of connecting oral proclamation with meaningful action, lest proclamation become merely lip service. While proclaiming the gospel might seem broad and difficult to narrow down into our many daily interactions and tasks, the guiding principle of compassion provides a touchpoint.

The disciples’ message that God’s kingdom has come near is accompanied by actions meant to alleviate suffering. When we gather as a people of faith, we receive God’s compassion in Christ that extends through the Lord’s supper and unites us in fellowship. In our prayers we are attentive to personal, local, and broad requests, asking God to receive and keep them in God’s care. These acts of worship can prepare us to extend the compassion given to us into our personal conversations and interactions with others. When we ask how we can be led by compassion, we are asking how we can proclaim the good news of God in Christ.

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