



**St. Peder's Evangelical
Lutheran Church
June 28, 2026**

Welcome to St. Peder's! All people are welcome to fully participate in worship, regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, age, physical and mental abilities, and socio-economic status. If you are a visitor, please fill out a visitor card available in the pews or fill out the guestbook in the entryway. We would love to know who you are and what brings you in today! We offer large print and braille copies of our bulletin for those with vision impairment. For your convenience, we also offer opportunities to worship online!

Introduction to the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost:

The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.

Artwork by Mari.

GATHERING

Prelude *Come Thou Found of Every Blessing*

Welcome, Peace, and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Gathering Hymn *All are Welcome*

ELW 641

Confession and Forgiveness

Compassionate God, **we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Creator, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love. **Amen.**

Kyrie (Hymn of Prayer)

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Canticle (Hymn of Praise)

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Salutation

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Prayer of the Day

O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world. Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

WORD

First Lesson

Jeremiah 28:5-9

⁵ The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord, ⁶ and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord and all the exiles. ⁷ But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸ The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹ As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

The Word of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18



- ¹ Your love, O Lord, forever | will I sing;
from age to age my mouth will pro- | claim your faithfulness.
- ² **For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is estab- | lished forever;
you have set your faithfulness firmly | in the heavens.**
- ³ “I have made a covenant with my | chosen one;
I have sworn an oath to Da- | vid my servant:
- ⁴ **‘I will establish your | line forever,
and preserve your throne for all | generations.’ ”**
- ¹⁵ Happy are the people who know the | festal shout!
They walk, O Lord, in the light | of your presence.
- ¹⁶ **They rejoice daily | in your name;
they are jubilant | in your righteousness.**
- ¹⁷ For you are the glory | of their strength,
and by your favor our might | is exalted.
- ¹⁸ **Truly, our shield belongs | to the Lord;
our king to the Holy | One of Israel.**

Second Lesson

Romans 6:12-23

¹² Do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. ¹³ No longer present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵ What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶ Do you not know that, if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God that you who were slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted ¹⁸ and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness. ¹⁹ I am speaking in human terms because of your limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, leading to even more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, leading to sanctification.

²⁰ When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the fruit you have leads to sanctification, and the end is eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Gathering of Children
Gospel Acclamation

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Holy Gospel

Matthew 10:40-42

[Jesus said to the twelve:] 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.”

The Word of the Lord. **C. Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

To Be Your Presence

ELW 546

Apostles’ Creed

Back cover of hymnal.

Prayers of the People:

Response: God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Lord’s Prayer

Back cover of hymnal.

Offering: *In this moment, we reflect upon the many gifts in our lives – our time, our talent, and our treasures. In sharing these gifts, you bless others in the name of God’s glory. If you would like to donate digitally, please use your smartphone to take a picture of this QR code or click on it if you are reading this online.*



Gift of Music

His Eye Is On the Sparrow

Offering Prayer

Loving God, **we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever. Amen.**

Benediction



1 Build a long - er ta - ble, not a high - er wall,
 2 Build a saf - er ref - uge, not a larg - er jail;
 3 Build a broad - er door - way, not a long - er fence.
 4 When we lived as ex - iles, ref - u - gees a - broad,



feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.
 where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.
 Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.
 Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,
 For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,
 When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,
 So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.
 Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.
 Christ tears down our fenc - es: all are wel - come here.
 None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

Sending

Knowing God is behind us, **we are rooted in our heritage.**

Knowing God goes before us, **we embrace the future.**

Knowing Christ forgives us, **we joyfully live the gospel**

We engage the world around us with open hearts, open hands,

and open doors. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude

Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above

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**Serving in Worship this Morning**

**Greeters:** Kristi Lahti-Johnson & Chuck Johnson

**Ushers:** Peter Juhl

**Acolyte:** Anders Odeen

**Reader:** Lisa Rovick

**Counters:** Bob Stanich & Karen Vetsch

**Livestream Tech:** JeriLynn Young

**LSS Safehouse June 29:** Tim & Elizabeth Anderson

**Social Hour hosted by Shepherding Group:** 3

## Announcements

### **Conference Room**

St. Peder's has welcomed Longfellow Seward Healthy Seniors to our building. They will be renting the two classrooms on the bottom floor to use as their offices. They will also, on occasion be using the conference room. This will require us to coordinate use of that space between church business and activities and the needs of Longfellow Seward Healthy Seniors. If you plan to use the conference room, please reach out to Office Coordinator, Frances at [office@stpeders.org](mailto:office@stpeders.org) or 612-722-8000 to confirm the space will be available and to add your event to the shared calendar.

### **Democracy Defense Training**

Monarca has a democracy defense training in Uptown on Wednesday, July 15 at 6:30 p.m. This training will focus on current threats being faced, actions that can be taken up to the election and beyond, and ways to stay connected and involved in the work. Register via the QR code.



*\*This week's coffee hour proceeds are being donated to the Coffee Fund.\**

### **This Week at St. Peder's:**

**Sunday, June 28:** 9 am Worship, 10 am Coffee & Fellowship

**Wednesday, July 1:** 9 am Quilters

**Saturday, July 4:** 2 pm Fiber Arts

**Sunday, July 5:** 9 am Worship, 10 am Coffee & Fellowship



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