

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

Sunday Worship - June 2026



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ELCA

WELCOME

Your presence builds up the body of Christ. We welcome and affirm God's diversity, including all ethnicities, cultures, races, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, abilities, ages, and life experiences. You are invited to full participation in



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our congregation because of who you are. We lament and confess how the Christian Church has withheld Christ's love by misusing the power of institution. We commit to advocating for God's justice and mercy for all of creation, including humans. We commit to anti-racism and other ways of ending systems that cause harm. Christ is our peace and breaks down the walls that divide us. Our communion table is Christ's table. You and all people are welcome without exception.

Welcome Newcomers

We hope you are comfortable here. A few notes about our bulletin and worship. The white part of the bulletin gets re-used each week to conserve resources. The right-side margin contains details about the service and readings to help you connect more fully with worship. The yellow insert contains today's readings, songs, prayer requests, and announcements. Please take it home for your continued use this week. You can find more details for newcomers on the back page of the white bulletin. We are glad you are here - you are welcome in this space because of who you are.

Being Lutheran

As Lutherans, we see, hear, teach, and follow Jesus for the sake of our neighbor. Neighbor means anyone other than us, including creation. We see God in vulnerability - God meets us at the cross. In our deepest pain, God is present. Baptized into Christ, we live a new life - claimed and named forever as God's beloved. In the bread and wine of communion we receive and share Christ with all of creation. This is because of who God is, not because of what we do (or don't do). We receive God's grace through faith - in Scripture, the living word of God, and the sacraments of baptism and communion, which transform our lives so that we love and serve God, our neighbor and all of creation. A transformed life is one centered in Christ by the Spirit, following and trusting in God alone; freed to love, liberate, and serve.

Season after Pentecost

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*CONFESSIONS AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
whose compassion endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence for Reflection

Compassionate God,
we confess to you our sin.
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, ☩ Christ and Spirit,
your sins are forgiven.
Rest in God's love.
Amen.

*An asterisk indicates
the congregation
should stand in body
and/or spirit.
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speaking and singing
parts are in bold
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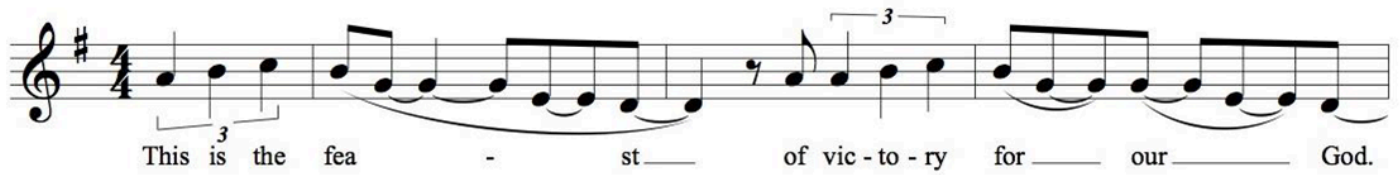
*As we prepare for
worship, take time to
look around, to settle
in, to receive the Holy
Spirit's presence.*



*All may make the sign
of the cross, the sign
that is marked at
baptism, as the
presiding minister
begins.*

*This is the Feast is
from "Behold, I Make
All Things New".*

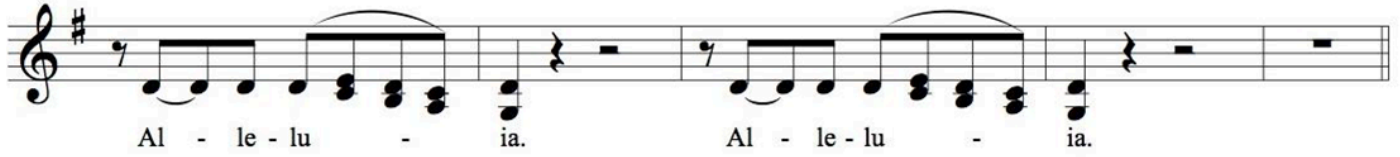
***GATHERING HYMN This is the Feast**



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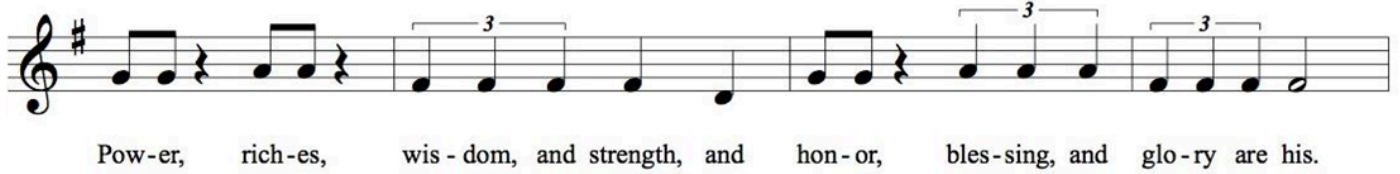
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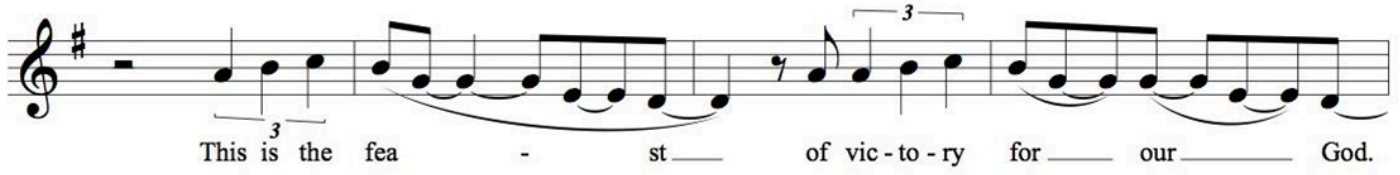
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Wor - thy is Christ, the lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



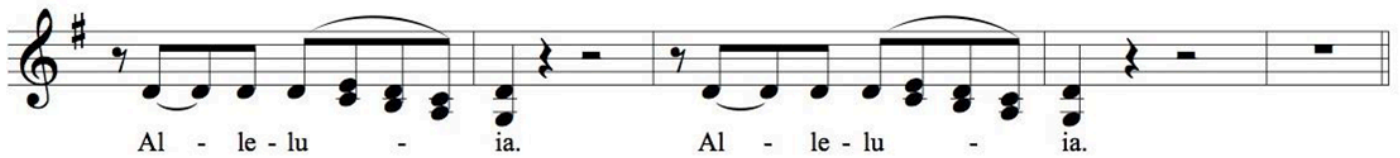
Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and hon - or, bles - sing, and glo - ry are his.



This is the fea - st of vic - to - ry for our God.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion.



Bles-sing, hon-or, glo-ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev - er, A-men. _____



This is the fea - st of vic-to-ry for _____ our _____ God.



_____ This is the feast of vic-to-ry _____ for our God. _____



For the Lamb who was slain has be-gun His reign, Al - le - lu - ia. _____



This is the fea - st _____ of vic-to-ry for _____ our _____ God. This is the



feast of vic-to-ry _____ for our God. _____ Al - le - lu - ia.



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***GREETING**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

FIRST READING: *See insert*
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: *See insert*

SECOND READING: *See insert*
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**



The readings and psalm can be found in the yellow insert.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.
 Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

ELW, Setting 10

Listen deeply as the gospel lesson is being read

***GOSPEL**

The Holy Gospel according to...
Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of Jesus Christ. **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY** *See insert*

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**
...God in your mercy, **receive our prayer.**

***EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

OFFERING

***OFFERING SONG**

Create in Me

Cre - ate in me a clean_ heart, O God._ and put a new and right
 6 _ spir - it with - in_ me. Cast me not a - way_ from your pres -
 11 ence. and do not take your ho - ly spir - it from me_
 17 Re - turn to me the joy_ of your sal - va - tion. Sus - tain a new and wil -
 22 ling spir - it with in_ me. Cre - ate in me a clean_ heart, O God._
 27 and put a new and right_ spir - it with in_ me.



"Behold, I Make All Things New"

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: ALL: Leader: 3

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you. Lift up your hearts.

ALL: Leader:

We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL:

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Mmmm Mmmm

"Behold, I Make All Things New"

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...
... we praise your name and join their unending hymn...

Holy, Holy, Holy

Sing each line twice, then pick a line to sing twice.

All:

Voice 1
Holy, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might

Voice 2
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho-san - na in the highest

Voice 3
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord

In the night... do this for the remembrance of me.

Trusting in the mercy and compassion of God who is with us as Parent and Creator, we pray as Jesus taught,

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.

This congregation tends to use the traditional form of the Lord's Prayer. You are welcome to pray using other versions, words, or languages that may be more familiar to you. You are also encouraged to address God in a way that most opens your heart to relationship with God (Creator, Father and Mother, Abba, Our Only Home are a few options). Jesus taught this form of prayer to the disciples to encourage sincere and meaningful conversation with God.

COMMUNION

Come as you are. Become what you receive.

COMMUNION HYMNS



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

Communion Hymns *See insert*

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

SENDING PRAYER

SENDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BLESSING

*SENDING HYMN *See insert*

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.
Thanks be to God!

*This is Christ's table.
You and all are
welcome, without
exception. If you
prefer a blessing only,
cross your arms over
your heart. Gluten-
free wafers available
by request. The wine is
red; the grape juice is
clear. Please let an
usher know if you
would like communion
brought to your pew.*

ELW, Setting 10



*Turn to follow the
cross as it passes and
leads us to love and
service in the world.*

Newcomers + We're glad you're here. Please fill out the green slip in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. You're welcome to share in Holy Communion.

Families + we have a small play area (pray-ground) up front. The joyful sounds and movements of children in worship are the welcome sounds of children growing in faith. Parents, thank you for doing the hard work of worshipping with children. This congregation is here to support you.

Hearing Assistance + headphones are available to assist in hearing the service. Please contact an usher to get set up with one.

Nametags + Nametags help us get to know and remember each other. Please let the ushers know if you need one made for you.

Expansive Language + As Lutherans, we teach that "God calls all creation into being and gives people language as a way of responding to God and forming community" (Principles for Worship, Principle L-1). In worship at Our Saviour's, we seek to use expansive language for God and people, sometimes changing or offering alternatives to the printed text.

About Our Liturgy

Parts of our sung liturgy come from "Behold, I Make All Things New," written by Ben Splichal Larson. Ben was killed in the Haiti Earthquake on January 12, 2010, when he was there with his wife, Renee, and his cousin, Jon. Ben sang the "Lamb of God," of setting 10 in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book, while buried in the rubble and then died. Originally, "Behold, I Make All Things New" was written to reach and inspire 18-35 year olds, an age demographic that is often least represented in weekly worship, but it has resonated deeply across all age groups. It was Ben's intention, and now his family's prayer, that the music he wrote to the ancient worship language of the church be a catalyst for renewal, hope, and faith for people and congregations. In the spirit of Ben, his family gives his liturgy to the Church with joy and prays it may bless all who sing it. Any donations made in support of this liturgy will be used to support new ELCA communities of faith. Learn more at www.benstillsings.com

Online Offering

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9:00 - Sanctuary
Coffee following

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FIRST READING Genesis 12:1-9

¹ The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

⁴ So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵ Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot and all the possessions that they had gathered and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran, and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, ⁶ Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷ Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. ⁸ From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east, and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. ⁹ And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

Psalm 33:1-12

¹ Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous;
praise is fitting for the upright.

² **Praise the Lord with the lyre;
make music for God with a ten-stringed harp.**

³ Sing for the Lord | a new song;
play your instrument skillfully with joyful sounds.

⁴ **For your word, O Lord, is right,
and faithful are all your works.**

⁵ You love righteousness and justice;
your steadfast love fills the whole earth.

⁶ **By your word were the heavens made,
by the breath of your mouth all the hosts of heaven.**

⁷ You gather up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin
and store up the depths of the sea.

⁸ **Let all the earth fear the Lord;
let all who dwell in the world stand in awe.**

⁹ For God spoke, and it came to pass;
God commanded, and it stood fast.

¹⁰ **The Lord brings the will of the nations to nothing
and thwarts the designs of the peoples.**

¹¹ Your will, O Lord, stands fast forever,
and the designs of your heart from age to age.

¹² **Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord!
Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!**

Our first reading is from the book of Genesis.

Our passage serves as the archetype of faith as journey. But this is no mere "spiritual" trek Abram and Sarai undertake. The text remembers specific places and regions. Faith and trust are not limited to interior thoughts and dreams. Steps are taken. Ground is covered. The world God fashioned in Genesis 1 is the stage on which God's call will be trusted . . . or not. And that will be the case in every subsequent story the Bible tells.

At first glance, the psalm may seem to simply praise God's hand in creation. But the psalm also carries a sharper edge. God brings "the counsels of the nation to nothing" and "frustrates the plans of the people." The psalm's praise of God beckons humility and awe. Its sharper words may address those who elevate themselves, and their privilege and place in creation, too highly.

SECOND READING Romans 4:13-25

¹³ The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸ Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." ¹⁹ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰ No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²² Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³ Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵ who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

GOSPEL Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

*HYMN OF THE DAY ELW #574 Here I am Lord

Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Our second reading is from Paul's letter to the church at Rome.

The letter of Romans is the closest one finds in all of scripture to a work of systematic theology. The role of our passage in that work is vital. Righteousness as a gift of God's grace is the hallmark of Paul's view of faith and grace over law and works. As others have noted, only Jesus is referenced more often than Abraham in the letters of Paul.

Hear these words from the fourth chapter of Romans, beginning at verse 13.

OFFERING *Be Thou My Vision*

COMMUNION HYMNS

ELW #470 Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

ELW #612 Healer of Our Every Ill

***SENDING HYMN** ELW #798 Will You Come and Follow Me

Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons

Please turn to follow the cross as it passes and leads us to love and service in the world.



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
your name? Will you care for cruel and
your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
your name? Will you quell the fear in -
my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
kind and nev - er be the same?
free and nev - er be the same?
side and nev - er be the same?
you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
world a - round, through my sight and touch and
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
pray'r in you and you in me?"
mean in you and you in me?"
sound in you and you in me?"
grow in you and you in me.

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Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional
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PRELUDE *Seventh Day* by Jim Brickman

Petition Today

During coffee hour today, anyone who is interested has the opportunity to help get the Justice for All Act on the November ballot. Members from our congregation who are involved with this effort will have a table with information and the petition, which you can choose to sign. The Justice For All Act would establish a Public Defenders Office for undocumented residents of Pima County who face deportation and can't afford to hire a personal attorney to help them present their case in court.

Prayer Requests: Our Saviour's Community: Alecia Chrin; Friends and Family of Schatzi Taylor; Justin Schneider; Gerry Meyer; Fred Alvord; Corky Ronstadt; Mary Neff; Geoff and Suzy Swann; Eric Howard's grandmother (began hospice), and all at home and in care facilities.

Our Extended Family: Friends and Family of John Shelton upon his death (former member); Friends and Family of Kathy Gregory upon the death of her husband Gary;(friends of Ann and Bill DeVinney); Sarah (great niece of Donna Lounsbury); Becky (Daughter of Mary Wildner-Bassett); Barbara (sister-in-law of Kenith Ijams); Josh, Melissa, Mary Ann Libby (friends of Chris and Theda Doak); Megan (niece of Chris and Theda Doak); Sally, and Ashley, (friends of Kathy DeVinney); Grant and Shirley (brother and sister-in- law of Theda Doak); John (son of Martha Neff Stum and Paul Stum); Daniel (neighbor's son of Gloria Schmidt); Rich (cousin- in-law of Jennifer Strand); Will (nephew of Chris and Theda Doak); Leaticia, Azogan, Sidibe, and Zinsou,(friends of Rachel Starner); Ann (friend of Suzanne Hesh).

Names will generally remain on the list for three weeks, unless requested for renewal. Please contact the church office for corrections, updates, and additions.

Blessing for Internship - Melanie Bowman

Melanie Bowman, today's preacher, is a Candidate for Ministry of Word and Sacrament in the Grand Canyon Synod. Mel and her spouse Rick joined Our Saviour's on Reformation Day in 2022. She began the M.Div program at Wartburg Theological Seminary in 2023. Mel will serve her internship year at Grace Lutheran Church in Corvallis, Oregon beginning mid-July.

50th Anniversary of Ordination - John Indermark

John was baptized on June 4, 1950, at Salvator Evangelical & Reformed Church (later U.C.C.) in St. Louis. Following graduation from Eden Seminary, John was ordained by the United Church of Christ on June 4, 1976, at Salvator U.C.C. From 1976 until 1992, John served three full-time pastorates in the Pacific Northwest Conference of the U.C.C. From 1992 onward, he served several interim pastorates and provided pulpit supply in various Lutheran, Presbyterian, and Methodist congregations in southwest Washington and northwest Oregon. He also served for two and a half years as Associate Chaplain at a juvenile detention facility in Naselle, WA. John began work as a freelance writer in 1990. John published over a dozen devotional books with Upper Room Books, United Methodist Publishing House, and Presbyterian Congregational Ministries Publishing. Additionally, he wrote for a number of Christian Education curriculum projects, including Seasons of the Spirit, Feasting on the Word, New International Lesson Annual, Present Word, and Great Themes of the Bible.

THOSE SERVING TODAY 6/7/2026

- Presiding Ministers** Rev. Amalia Vagts, Rev. John Indermark
- Preaching Minister** Melanie Bowman
- Assisting Minister** Jennifer Strand
- Communion Assistants** Kathy DeVinney, Patty Sirls
- Acolyte** Jennifer Strand
- Keyboard** Dawn Hartley
- Cantor** Dr. Aysen Millioğullari
- Usher** Mary and Asher Havenhill
- Greeter** Gloria Schmidt
- Cross Bearer** Asher Havenhill
- Coffee Host** Joanna Keyl
- Treats** Mary Havenhill, Judy and John Indermark
- Tech Team** Pflibsen/Bustamante
- Scripture Background** John Indermark

THOSE SERVING NEXT SUNDAY 6/14/26

- Presiding Minister** Rev. Amalia Vagts
- Assisting Minister** Bill DeVinney
- Communion Assistants** Mary Pflibsen, Nilu Dorschner
- Acolyte** Jennifer Strand
- Keyboard** Dawn Hartley
- Music** Sophia Rankin
- Cantor** Dr. Aysen Millioğullari
- Usher** Ann DeVinney, Jennifer Strand
- Greeter** Joanna Keyl
- Cross Bearer** Mary Pflibsen
- Coffee Host** David Lester
- Treats** Mary Havenhill
- Tech Team** Pflibsen/Bustamante
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