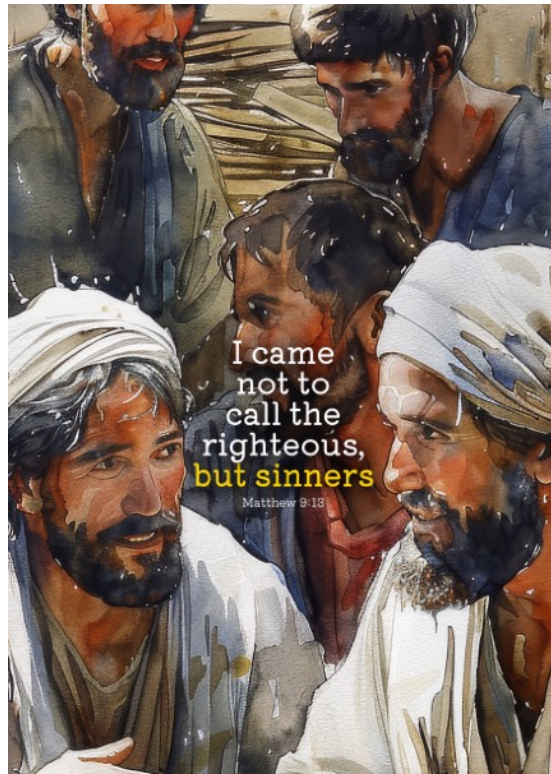


## Second Sunday after Pentecost



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**Prayer Upon Entering Church:** O Lord, God the Father, my Maker, Lord Jesus, my Redeemer, Holy Spirit, my Comforter in life and death, I have entered Your house to hear what You will speak to me. Lord, renew now my heart through Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, that from Your Word I learn to grieve over my sins, trust in Jesus in life and in death, and daily to better myself in holy life and conduct. Hear and answer me through Jesus Christ. Amen.

**About This Service:** The heart of Christianity is not what we do for God but what God has done for us in Christ Jesus. We call our service the "Divine Service" because the Divine One, our Lord Jesus, promises to be present to serve us by His Word and with His body and blood.

**Are My Children Welcome?** Our Lord says, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God" (Mark 10:14). Yes, your little ones are more than welcome! We are delighted to have them with us in the service!

**Visitors:** Welcome to St. John's! If you have not already done so, please fill out the visitor's book outside of the sanctuary. If you don't yet have a church home, or have any questions about what we believe, teach, and confess, feel free to speak with Pastor; he would be happy to talk with you!

**Communion Statement:** All visitors are asked to speak with Pastor before the service and prior to coming up for communion. We invite those who are active communicant members of the LC-MS to commune with us. If you are not a communicant member of the LC-MS but wish to come receive a blessing, please cross your arms when you come up to the communion rail to receive a blessing.

## Ringing of the Bell

### Prelude

### Welcome

### Opening Hymn TLH 324 "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive"

Jesus sinners doth receive; Oh, may all this saying ponder  
Who in sin's delusions live And from God and heaven wander!  
Here is hope for all who grieve— Jesus sinners doth receive.

We deserve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich grace revealing,  
Pardon, peace, and life proclaim. Here their ills have perfect healing  
Who with humble hearts believe— Jesus sinners doth receive.

Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shepherde e'er foresaketh;  
Weary souls that lost their way Christ, the Shepherd, gently taketh  
In His arms that they may live— Jesus sinners doth receive.

Come, ye sinners, one and all, Come, accept His invitation;  
Come, obey His gracious call, Come and take His free salvation!  
Firmly in these words believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.

I, a sinner, come to Thee With a penitent confession;  
Savior, mercy show to me Grant for all my sins remission.  
Let these words my soul relieve: Jesus sinners doth receive.

Oh, how blest it is to know; Were as scarlet my transgression,  
It shall be as white as snow By Thy blood and bitter Passion:  
For these words I now believe: Jesus sinners doth receive.

Now my conscience is at peace, From the Law I stand acquitted;  
Christ hath purchased my release And my ev'ry sin remitted.  
Naught remains my soul to grieve— Jesus sinners doth receive.

Jesus sinners doth receive. Also I have been forgiven;  
And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven.  
Dying, still to Him I cleave— Jesus sinners doth receive. Amen.

## **The Order of Worship, Page 15 TLH**

**Invocation:** *TLH Page 15 [Responses Sung]*

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: **Amen.**

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.  
Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

C: **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

**Confession of Sins** *TLH Page 16*

**ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**Absolution** *TLH Page 16*

**P:** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

**C:** *[Sung]* **Amen.**

**Introit** (P: Pastor **C: Congregation**) *Psalm 50:7-10; antiphon: v. 1*

**P:** The Mighty One, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth  
from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**C: Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you.  
I am God, your God.**

**P:** Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;  
your burnt offerings are continually before me.

**C: I will not accept a bull from your house  
or goats from your folds.**

**P:** For every beast of the forest is mine,  
the cattle on a thousand hills.

**Gloria Patri:** *TLH Page 16 [Sung]*

**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**The Kyrie:** *TLH Page 17 [Sung]*

**C: Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**The Gloria in Excelsis:** *TLH Pages 17-19 [Sung]*

**C: Glory be to God on high; And on earth peace, good will toward men.**

**We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee,**

**We glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.**

**O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
That takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.**

**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.**

**Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Salutation and Collect**

*TLH Page 19*

**P:** The Lord be with you!

**C: And with thy spirit!**

*(prayed together)* – **Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**Response: [Sung] Amen.**

### Old Testament Reading – Hosea 5:15-6:6

<sup>5:15</sup>I will return again to my place,  
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face,  
and in their distress earnestly seek me.

<sup>6:1</sup>“Come, let us return to the Lord;  
for he has torn us, that he may heal us;  
he has struck us down, and he will bind us up.

<sup>2</sup>After two days he will revive us;  
on the third day he will raise us up,  
that we may live before him.

<sup>3</sup>Let us know; let us press on to know the Lord;  
his going out is sure as the dawn;  
he will come to us as the showers,  
as the spring rains that water the earth.”

<sup>4</sup>What shall I do with you, O Ephraim?  
What shall I do with you, O Judah?  
Your love is like a morning cloud,  
like the dew that goes early away.

<sup>5</sup>Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;  
I have slain them by the words of my mouth,  
and my judgment goes forth as the light.

<sup>6</sup>For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,  
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

### Epistle Reading – Romans 4:13-25

<sup>13</sup>The promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>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. <sup>18</sup>In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” <sup>19</sup>He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup>fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.” <sup>23</sup>But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, <sup>25</sup>who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

**Gradual** (*Pastor speaks, congregation responds with “Hallelujahs!”*)

P: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,  
and his greatness is unsearchable.  
On your wondrous works, I will meditate,  
and I will declare your greatness.

**C: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

*As the Gospel reading is announced, the congregation sings...* **C: GLORY BE TO THEE, O LORD!**

**Gospel Reading – Matthew 9:9-13**

<sup>9</sup>As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.

<sup>10</sup>And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>12</sup>But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup>Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

*The Gospel ended, the congregation sings...*

**C: PRAISE BE TO THEE, O CHRIST!**

**The Nicene Creed** *TLH Page 22*

**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 Ghost 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 sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe 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.**

**Sermon Hymn TLH 449** "My Soul, Be on Thy Guard"

**My soul, be on thy guard; Ten thousand foes arise,  
And hosts of sin are pressing hard To draw thee from the skies.**

**Oh, watch and fight and pray, The battle ne'er give o'er;  
Renew it boldly ev'ry day And help divine implore.**

**Ne'er think the vict'ry won Nor lay thine armor down;  
Thine arduous work will not be done Till thou obtain the crown.**

**Fight on, my soul, till death Shall bring thee to thy God;  
He'll take thee at thy parting breath To His divine abode. Amen.**

**The Sermon**

**Offertory**

*TLH Pages 22-23 [Sung]*

**C: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.**

**Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.**

**Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; And uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

**Prayers**

*TLH Pages 23-24*

## **ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Preface:** *TLH Page 24 [Responses Sung]*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And with thy spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

C: **It is meet and right so to do.**

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to Thee, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God ... therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Thy glorious name, evermore praising Thee and saying:

**The Sanctus:** *TLH Page 26 [Sung]*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory;  
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He,  
Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

**The Lord's Prayer:** *TLH Page 27*

**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;**

*[Sung]* **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**The Words of Institution:** *TLH Page 27*

Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**The Pax Domini:** *TLH Page 27*

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: *[Sung]* **A - - - - men.**

**The Agnus Dei:** *TLH Page 28 [Sung]*

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, Grant us Thy peace. A - - - - men.**

**The Distribution** *(We invite those who are communicant members of the LC-MS to commune with us.)*

**Distribution Hymns TLH 377 "Salvation Unto Us Has Come"**

Salvation unto us has come By God's free grace and favor;  
Good works cannot avert our doom, They help and save us never.  
Faith looks to Jesus Christ alone, Who did for all the world atone;  
He is our one Redeemer.

What God did in His Law demand And none to Him could render  
Caused wrath and woe on ev'ry hand For man, the vile offender.  
Our flesh has not those pure desires The spirit of the Law requires,  
And lost is our condition.

It was a false, misleading dream That God His Law hath given  
That sinners could themselves redeem And by their works gain heaven.  
The Law is but a mirror bright To bring the inbred sin to light  
That lurks within our nature.

From sin our flesh could not abstain, Sin held its sway unceasing;  
The task was useless and in vain, Our guilt was e'er increasing.  
None can remove sin's poisoned dart Or purify our guileful heart –  
So deep is our corruption.

Yet as the law must be fulfilled Or we must die despairing,  
Christ came and hath God's anger stilled, Our human nature sharing.  
He hath for us the law obeyed And thus the Father's vengeance stayed  
Which over us impended.

Since Christ hath full atonement made And brought to us salvation,  
Each Christian therefore may be glad And build on this foundation.  
Thy grace alone, dear Lord, I plead Thy death is now my life indeed,  
For Thou hast paid my ransom.

Let me not doubt, but trust in Thee Thy Word cannot be broken;  
Thy call rings out, "Come unto me!" No falsehood have you spoken.  
Baptized into Thy precious name, My faith cannot be put to shame,  
And I shall never perish.

The law reveals the guilt of sin And makes us conscience-stricken;  
The gospel then dost enter in The sinful soul to quicken.  
Come to the cross, trust Christ, and live; The law no peace can ever give,  
No comfort and no blessing.

Faith clings to Jesus' cross alone And rests in Him unceasing;  
And by its fruits true faith is known, With love and hope increasing.  
Yet faith alone doth justify, Works serve the neighbor and supply  
The proof that faith is living.

All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise To Father, Son, and Spirit,  
The God that saved us by his grace – All glory to His merit!  
O Triune God in heav'n above, Who hast revealed Thy saving love,  
Thy blessèd name be hallowed. Amen.

**TLH 421** "Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake"

**Come, follow Me, the Savior spake, All in My way abiding;  
Deny yourselves, the world forsake, Obey My call and guiding.  
Oh, bear the cross, whate'er betide, Take My example for your guide.**

**I am the Light, I light the way, A godly life displaying;  
I bid you walk as in the day, I keep your feet from straying.  
I am the Way, and well I show How you must sojourn here below.**

**My heart bounds in lowliness, My soul with love is glowing,  
And gracious words my lips express, With meekness overflowing.  
My heart, My mind, My strength, My all, To God I yield, on Him I call.**

**I teach you how to shun and flee What harms your soul's salvation,  
Your heart from every guile to free, From sin and its temptation.  
I am the Refuge of the soul And lead you to your heavenly goal.**

**Then let us follow Christ, our Lord, And take the cross appointed  
And, firmly clinging to His Word, In suffering be undaunted.  
For who bears not the battle's strain The crown of life shall not obtain. Amen.**

**Nunc Dimittis**

*TLH Pages 29-30 [Sung]*

**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word,  
For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the Face of all people,  
a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**The Thanksgiving:** *TLH Page 30*

P: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

C: *[Sung]* **And His mercy endureth forever.**

**The Thanksgiving Prayer:** *TLH Pages 30-31*

P: ...through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God,  
world without end.

C: *[Sung]* **A- - - - men.**

**The Benedicamus:** *TLH Page 31*

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *[Sung]* **And with thy spirit.**

P: Bless we the Lord.

C: *[Sung]* **Thanks be to God.**

**The Benediction:** *TLH Page 31*

P: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto  
you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C: *[Sung]* **Amen, Amen, Amen!**

**Closing Hymn TLH 349 "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me"**

**Jesus, Thy boundless love to me No thought can reach, no tongue declare;  
Unite my thankful heart with Thee And reign without a rival there.  
To Thee alone, dear Lord, I live; Myself to Thee, dear Lord, I give.**

**Oh, grant that nothing in my soul May dwell but Thy pure love alone!  
Oh, may Thy love possess me whole, My Joy, my Treasure, and my Crown!  
All coldness from my heart remove; My ev'ry act, word, thought, be love.**

**O Love, how cheering is Thy ray! All pain before Thy presence flies;  
Care, anguish, sorrow, melt away Where'er Thy healing beams arise.  
O Jesus, nothing may I see, Nothing desire or seek, but Thee!**

**This love unwearied I pursue And dauntlessly to Thee aspire.  
Oh, may Thy love my hope renew, Burn in my soul like heav'nly fire!  
And day and night be all my care To guard this sacred treasure there.**

**Oh, draw me, Savior, e'er to Thee; So shall I run and never tire.  
With gracious words still comfort me; Be Thou my Hope, my sole Desire.  
Free me from every guilt and fear; No sin can harm if Thou art near.**

**Still let Thy love point out my way; What wondrous things Thy love hath wrought!  
Still lead me lest I go astray; Direct my work, inspire my thought;  
And if I fall, soon may I hear Thy voice and know that love is near!**

**In suffering be Thy love my peace, In weakness be Thy love my power;  
And when the storms of life shall cease, O Jesus, in that final hour,  
Be Thou my Rod and Staff and Guide And draw me safely to Thy side! Amen.**

**Silent Prayer**

**Announcements**

***Have A Blessed Week!***

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*"If you make a regular commute to and from work, you become so used to the scenes you pass that they become invisible. Commonplaces resist our notice. . .We have come to expect God's gracious care of the world without considering its source. We are awakened to this daily and ongoing miracle through the signs offered by Christ in the feeding of the five thousand. This feeding is not different from God's daily feeding of the world, except in its scope and in Christ's direct multiplication of the loaves. Christ generously feeds all of us every day, even when we do not recognize it. We should. Commonplaces are no less than divine gifts."*

*— Augustine*

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**Prayer for Departing Church:** O Lord, I give thanks to You with all my heart. You have taught me Your will that I might perform it. Help me now, my God, by Your Holy Spirit, for Jesus Christ's sake, that I may treasure Your Word in a heart unblemished, and fortified in faith, lead a sanctified life after the manner of our forefathers, and therein find solace in life and in death. Amen.

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Hymn #324: Scripture: Luke 15:2; Jesus nimmt die Sünder an; Author: Erdmann Neumeister (1718); Translation: composite; Tune: Meinen Jesum lass' ich nicht; Source: "Neuverfertigtes Gesangbuch", Darmstadt, 1699.

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Hymn # 349: Scripture: John 14:15; Jesu Christ, mein schonstes Licht; Jesus, Thy Boundless Love To Me; Author : Paul Gerhardt (1653, cento); Translator: John Wesley (1739, alt.); Tune: Vater unser; Source: Geistliche Lieder," Leipzig, 1539.

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Catechism Recitation for the Week:

Sacrament of the Altar: Where is this written?

The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Daily Bible Reading:

- **Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>:** Genesis 47
- **Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>:** Genesis 48
- **Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>:** Genesis 49
- **Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>:** Genesis 50
- **Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>:** Galatians 1
- **Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>:** Galatians 2
- **Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>:** Galatians 3

