



Second Weekend After Pentecost

Eucharist | Evening Prayer

Saturday, June 6, 2026, 5 p.m.

CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Exploring the promise of God for all

You are welcome. No exceptions.

Central Lutheran Church experiences God's expansive love and strives to share it abundantly. We affirm all people without regard to age, race, biological sex, housing status, ethnicity, sexual orientation, immigration, refugee or migration status, gender identity or expression, socioeconomic status, and physical or mental health or ability. All are a part of God's family, created in God's image.

We strive to practice radical hospitality with all people and work toward racial equity. Everyone is invited to immerse themselves in the life of this community of faith as we explore the promise of God for all.

Worship



Bold print indicates responses spoken by all.



Congregational hymns are found printed in this bulletin or in the red hymnal, Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW).



You are encouraged to listen to your body and stand or remain seated at any point in the service.



Masks are welcome, but not required.



Children are welcome and celebrated in worship. Each Sunday there are Children's Bags at each of the ushers' tables at the entrances to the sanctuary. Inside each bag is a worship activity and snack. Many families sit near the children's tables next to the baptismal font, but you are welcome to sit anywhere in the sanctuary that is comfortable to you.



All are welcome to receive communion at Central. At the ushers' invitation, you will proceed toward the altar where there are regular and gluten-free wafers served with wine or grape juice. Your server will offer bread and wine for all, including children. If you prefer to receive a blessing rather than communion, please let your server know.



Offering can be made online using the QR code in the bulletin or left in the offering plates just outside the sanctuary doors.

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Welcome to worship at Central Lutheran Church. As you arrive for worship, you are invited to prepare your hearts and minds while listening to the prelude before the service begins today.



The Holy Spirit gathers us in unity as the day fades to night.

PRELUDE

“Lieder ohne Worte,” Op. 19b, No. 1

Felix Mendelssohn

(At the sound of the bell, please stand and face the font)

Gathering

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

We begin as we live, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God’s mercy and forgiveness.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus’ wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for water everywhere. In our shared community, we give thanks for the Mississippi, Minnesota and St. Croix; for Minnehaha, Basset, Browns, Nine Mile and Rice Creeks and these shared watersheds.

Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love.

Amen.

OPENING LITANY

Leader Assembly

Heal us, Lord, and re-new our lives. Heal us, Lord, and re - new our lives.

Additional petitions are sung by the leader; the assembly responds, “Heal us, Lord . . .”

*To a world of strife and conflict; (response)
to a world of fears and hatreds (response)
comes your healing word of peace. (response)*

*Come release us from our demons; (response)
comfort us in times of trial; (response)
in our troubles be our strength. (response)*

*Bring new life to all your people; (response)
be the light within our darkness, (response)
as we come to you in hope. (response)*

*Come and bind the broken hearted; (response)
free the captives still imprisoned; (response)
be the hope of all who mourn. (response)*

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*Light our hearts with your compassion; (response)
mend our world where it is broken; (response)
touch our wounds and make us whole. (response)*

*Shield us from all kinds of danger; (response)
give us strength to serve the stranger, (response)
so that no one feels alone. (response)*

*When your guiding hand seems distant; (response)
when the future seems uncertain; (response)
when our dreams have not come true. (response)*

*Send your Spirit now among us; (response)
in community unite us; (response)
come and make the broken whole. (response)*

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

We turn our hearts to God.

O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)



*God speaks to us in
scripture reading,
preaching, and song.*

Word

FIRST READING

Hosea 5:15—6:6

- ¹⁵ I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face.
In their distress they will beg my favor:
- ^{6:1} “Come, let us return to the Lord,
for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us;
he has struck down, and he will bind us up.
- ² After two days he will revive us;
on the third day he will raise us up,
that we may live before him.
- ³ Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord;
his appearing is as sure as the dawn;
he will come to us like the showers,
like the spring rains that water the earth.”
- ⁴ 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 away early.
- ⁵ Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets;
I have killed them by the words of my mouth,
and my judgment goes forth as the light.
- ⁶ For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice,
the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Al - le -

lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



GOSPEL

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” ¹²But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners.”

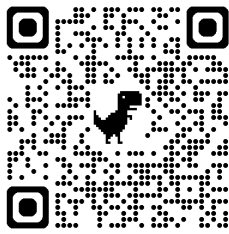
¹⁸While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” ¹⁹And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” ²²Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment. ²³When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. ²⁵But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶And the report of this spread through all of that district.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

SERMON



Scan to make a financial offering.

**Many African American spirituals and hymns were never credited to their creators or were claimed by other individuals. On weekends when Central uses music or music texts created by people who were kept in chattel slavery, a donation will be made to a Historical Black College and University (HBCU) as a reparation to their descendants. For 2026, Central will be sending donations to Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas.*



God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

(Please stand)

HYMN OF THE DAY

Hymn 617

“We Come to You for Healing, Lord”

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

Each petition concludes:

God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

(Please be seated)

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Give Me Jesus”

*African American Spiritual,
arr. Tom Trenney

Meal

(Please stand)

PRESENTATION HYMN

Hymn 691

“Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring”

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God of the universe...

...Praise to you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

(Please be seated)

*All are invited to receive these
gifts of God.*

*Children are welcome to
come forward and receive
communion or a blessing.*

COMMUNION

“Gedenk’ an uns mit deiner Liebe”

Johann Sebastian Bach

Translated from German:

Remember us with your love;

Enclose us in your mercy.

Bless those who rule us,

Who lead, protect, guide us;

Bless those who are faithful.

(Please stand)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have strengthened our hearts through this feast of life and salvation. Shine the light of Christ on our path, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, now and forever. **Amen.**



God blesses us and sends us for shared mission in our shared world.

Sending

BENEDICTION

The peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
keep your hearts and your minds
in † Christ Jesus.
Amen.

EVENING HYMN

“Lord Jesus Christ, Lover of All”

Leader sings once; congregation sings two more times

Lord Je - sus Christ, Lord Je - sus, lov - er of all, of all, trail
wide the hem of your gar - ment, bring heal - ing, bring peace.

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

“Adagio e mesto di molto” No. 30

Christian Friedrich Schale

from *Choral-Vorspiele für die Orgel und das Klavier*

Serving Today

Pastor Peter Nycklemoe	<i>preacher</i>
Ann Oyen	<i>assisting</i>
Vicki Munson	<i>reading</i>
Bill Pederson	<i>song leader</i>
Joel Bolen	<i>pianist/organist</i>
Mark Kieffer	<i>video/sound</i>

Thanks to:
Sacristans, Usher, and Hospitality Ministry Teams.

Chancel flowers this week are given by a husband in loving memory of his wife.

Also, Chancel flowers are given by Deanne and Leon Tibben and JoAn and George Carlson in celebration of their 65th wedding anniversaries.

If you wish to donate flowers, please contact Judy Korogi at 612-788-1288 or receptionist@centralmpls.org.

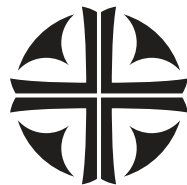
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