

5th Sunday after Pentecost — June 28, 2026

Prelude *When Love Is Found*

Welcome & Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

WOV Pg. 10

Leader: The minister leads the congregation in the invocation. The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Leader: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love

Leader: If we you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

L: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

L: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen

Children's Sermon

Opening Hymn #684 *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

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Apostolic Greeting

WOV Pg. 28

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

People And also with you.

Gloria

WOV Pg. 29

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth. For you alone are the Holy One, you

alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest; glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth, and peace to God's people on earth.

Prayer of the Day

L The Lord be with you
L 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.

People And also with you
People Amen

First Reading: Jeremiah 28:5-9

⁵The 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, ⁶and 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. ⁷But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹As 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." Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **P Thanks be to God!**



Psalm 89: 1-4, 15-18 *spoken responsively*

¹Your 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 established 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 David my servant:

⁴**'I will establish your line forever,
and preserve your throne for all generations.'** "

¹⁵Happy 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.**

¹⁷For 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 Reading: 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. Holy wisdom, holy word. **C Thanks be to God**

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation

WOV Pg. 31

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel according to Matthew in the 10th Chapter. C Glory to you, O Lord.

[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.” This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day #753

You Are The Seed

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Apostles’ 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**



Prayers

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

A brief silence.

AM: Faithful God, establish your church to offer welcome and proclaim your peace. Nourish us so we can proclaim your hope to the world. God of grace, **People: hear our prayer.**

AM: Creator God, bring life to places experiencing drought, deforestation, and pollution. Help us to cultivate and care for the natural world around us. God of grace, **People: hear our prayer.**

AM: Loving God, bring an end to conflict and division. Sustain the work of prophets in our time, and work through world leaders to foster understanding, justice, and peace. God of grace, **People: hear our prayer.**

AM: Provider God, give your children what they need physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Bless caregivers as they show God's hospitality through their generous service. God of grace, **People: hear our prayer.**

AM: Living God, lead us from death to life. Inspire new ministries and endeavors, renew established ones, and strengthen our welcoming presence to our neighbors. God of grace, **People: hear our prayer.**

AM: Eternal God, we remember the faithful departed of this community and of the wider church and world. We give thanks for saints of all times and places. God of grace, **People: hear our prayer.**

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

P: Amen.

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

Please share a sign of God's peace.

The offering is received

Anthem

Give Me a Song

Words and Music: Heather Sorenson

Jesus, give me a song, give me a song to sing when the world goes silent. Jesus, give me a song, give me a song. Lord, give me a song for my heart to soar, a melody I've never sung before. Jesus, give me a song, give me a song. Jesus, give me a word, give me a word to speak when the world stops listening. Jesus, give me a word, give me a word. Lord, send down the message that they need to hear, help me to speak it loud and clear. Jesus, give me a word, give me a word. Jesus, give me your light, give me your light to shine in a world of darkness. Jesus, give me your light, give me your light. Lord, turn this night time into day. Then use me to show there's a better way. Jesus, give me your light, give me your light. This little light of mine, this little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine. I'll let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine, let it shine. Lord, give me your light. Lord give me a word. Lord, give me a song, give me a song. Jesus, give me a song, give me a song to sing when the world goes silent. Jesus, give me a song, give me a song. Lord, give me a song for my heart to soar. A melody I've never sung before. Jesus, give me a song, Lord, give me a song. Lord, give

me a song for my heart to soar, a melody I've never sung before. Jesus, give me a song, Lord, give me a song, Jesus, give me a song, Lord, give me a song. Jesus, give me a song, give me a song. Lord, give me a song. Lord, give me a song. Lord, give me a song. Give me a song!

Offertory Hymn

WOV Pg. 35

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, Lord, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

Great Thanksgiving – WOV Pg. 36-40

**L The Lord be with you. C And also with you.
L Lift up your hearts. C We lift them to the Lord.
L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Proper Preface is chanted.

**L It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn: **

Sanctus

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The Great Thanksgiving

LORD'S PRAYER

**C 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**

Agnus Dei

WOV Pg. 39

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion is distributed.

Communion Music *O God Beyond All Praising*

Post Communion Prayer

Benediction

WOV Pg. 41

L Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

People: Amen

Closing Hymn #333 *Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land*

Dismissal

WOV Pg. 41

AM: Assisting Minister: Go now in peace, to love and serve the Lord and your neighbors. .

P: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude *We Are All One in Mission*

Thank you for coming. May God's peace be yours today.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The following is a listing of those who need your prayers. Our hope is that you will take this listing home with you and in your daily prayers remember those listed below. If you would like to add or subtract for this list, please write name(s) on the Prayer of Concerns form in the Narthex located on the stand-up desk to the right of the exit doors or email the office. Thank you!

Joe Abbott
Casaundra Abeling
Roberta Alteri
Ben, Sheryl & Nic Ahrens
Michelle Ahrens
Coni Aparo
Charlie Blakeslee
Kathy Ann Campbell
Angelo & Nicole Capasso
Vinni Carey
Carol Cianciolo
Emma Cortina
Emily Decker
Irene Douglas
Judy Elliott
Diane Engle
Jan Eucalitto
Weston Faith
Amy Falls
Bruce & Liz Falls
Rosemarie Foth

Steven Fosbrook
Bob Frantz
Christine & Fran Gaffney
Danise Hall
Renate Higgins
Kathleen Hilton

Shannon Hilton

Shaelynn Holmgren
Bob Hauser
Rusty Judd
Brian Kiernan
Marge Kiernan
Marilyn Killingbeck
John Lewis
David Little
Rebecca Little

Kari Machowski
Charlotte Madia
Audrey Marquard
Abigail Marine
Eric Marine
Richard Marine
Janis Martin
Gil & Marilyn Martin
Michael Meyers
Brigitte Mueller
Bob Murphy
Barbara Nalette
Karen Ness
Tom O'Brien
Karen Pagano
Maria Payne
Melissa Pilbin
Lisa & Dennis Polzun
Ed & Susan Regner
Baerbel Roehl
Patricia & Richard
Sawitzke

Vincent Scarozzo
Jean Schlapfer
Sarah Seelye
Paul Smith
Sigrid Smitley
Lori Sola

Deb & Jon Sterling

Tom Sterling Sr.
RuthAnn Stone
Patricia Switzer
Diane Tanner
Gloria Thibault
Nancy Underwood
The Videtto Family
Lucille Videtto
Carol Vrlik

Justin Wade & Family
Eveyn Walters
Sue Watkins
James Weber
Kim Weissman
Diane Wright
Bruce Yauney
Clayton Young
Clarence & Priscilla
Ed

Jen O.
Jaiden
Steve
Lou W.
Todd
Robert K.
Terry
Hagbard
Peanut
Diane L.
Holly L.

Al & Mary
Isaac
Marci
Kyle W.
Michelle
Ethan & his Marine
Unit

Jonathan E & his
Army Unit
Stefan Nikola J.
Janet

**Our Nursing
Home Members**
Dee Gammon
Midge Rosenbeck
Mae Fay
Francine Aherns
Betty Hilton
Walter Joray

Our Military Friends

Lord Jesus, Savior of the World and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of their Country. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers. Keep them close to you and help them live the commandments. Lord, Jesus give them courage to serve their country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthen them when they face hardship. Above All Lord, grant that when their service is finished that they may return to us, sound in mind, body and soul. Amen.

Tyler Quinn
Eric Beuis
Major Zachary Fulton
Brandan Holbrook
Jonathan Connell
Tom Gregg, Fr.
Eric Bremer
Peter Hutchinson
Dominic Boscarino
Noah Braatz
Christian Braatz
Aiden Avenia
Ben Speaker
Noah Roy

Around the Church

Event	Date	Time
Scholarship Sunday	6/28	10am
Craft Fair	7/18	10am-1pm

Tuesdays

New Tai Chi class 10-11:30am \$12

Bible Study

Tuesday via Zoom 6:00 pm

In person Bible Study Wednesdays

10:00 am

Wednesdays

Members Tai Chi 11:00 am

Quilting Group 1:00 pm

Offerings Summary:

Needed Weekly	\$6,290.00
Received	\$3,264.33
Shortfall	(\$)
YTD shortfall	(\$)

Minimalist bulletin

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The Rev. Dr. G. Scott Cady

Music Director Marcia Newcome

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Around the Church

Christmas Eve survey please fill it out if you have not already.

Anyone wishing to be a Sunday helper next year please sign up sheet in narthex or contact Pastor.

Those interested in becoming official members please fill out a form found on the table in the narthex.

Summertime Craft Fair!

July 18, 2026

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
837 Charles St. Torrington
10 am to 1 pm

Running in conjunction with the
Torrington Farmers Market

All handmade items presented
by local artisans and crafters

Vacation Bible School "Junkyard Redemption"

Save the Date!

**August 3 to August 7
9 am to noon!**