

***The one
who endures to the end
will be saved.***

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PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH WELCOMES YOU HERE! We are pleased that you have come to receive God's gift of forgiveness. Pentecost and the Sundays after Pentecost emphasize the work of the Holy Spirit through God's Word and Sacraments in growing the Church, so we especially invite you to join us in our Bible Classes, as well as in all of our other activities. If you have no church home, you are cordially invited to consider making Pilgrim Lutheran Church your church home!

AS YOU ARRIVE, please move down the pew towards the wall, in order to leave room for others. If you arrive late, please wait for an appropriate time to enter the sanctuary, such as during a hymn. Please also remember to turn off your cell phones and/or any other electronic devices. Thank you!

ORDER OF SERVICE: To your right you will find today's order of service. The right side of that outline indicates from where the item listed comes: either in this bulletin or the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*, with the Psalms towards the front, its liturgical pages towards the middle, and its hymns towards the back. The Δ symbol before a hymn stanza indicates that it especially gives glory to the Triune God; we stand before singing the stanza and, in most cases, conclude the stanza by singing "Amen.", if an "Amen" is not already included.

HOLY COMMUNION: At Pilgrim we value your presence among us and love and care about our guests and visitors! However, due to the sad divisions that exist in the world and even in Christianity, we cannot commune everyone at the Lord's Table here. We respectfully ask that guests and visitors who desire to commune first speak with the pastor well before the service. All those present but not communing still may approach the rail for a blessing: come forward and kneel with those who are communing, but fold your arms over your heart and place your hands on the opposite shoulders. For more information about the ancient practice of Closed Communion, see <http://www.pilgrimlc.org/closed-communion>.

INDIVIDUAL CUPS: The top of the tray contains several individual cups of highly-diluted wine. If you receive the blood of Christ in an individual cup, please be sure to wait to consume it until Pastor comes by with the chalice, so that he knows you are receiving it in that fashion. If the supply of individual cups is depleted, please accept the blood of Christ from the chalice.

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING ONE (*Lutheran Service Book*, pp.151-166.)


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+++ IN THE NAME OF JESUS +++

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P For ... let us pray to the Lord: **G** **Lord, have mercy.**
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+++ TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY +++

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 21, 2026

BEFORE THE SERVICE: As you greet and visit one another, please be sensitive to others who may wish an opportunity for silence to pray and otherwise to prepare for worship.

OFFERING BOX: Offerings may be placed in the Offering Box in the Narthex before or after services. Envelopes are available on the side of the Box for your use, such as if you would like your cash offering to be recorded, tracked, and receipted in a report back to you.

PEW CUSHIONS: If you would like to use a cushion either for your seat or for your seat and back, cushions for your use are available in the Usher's Closet off the north side of the Narthex.

PEW SLIPS: *Visitors*, please register your attendance both by completing a slip from rack on the back of the pews and placing them in the Offering Box in the Narthex and by signing the Guest Register at the door. *Members*, please complete a slip only if your contact information has changed or you have a new or updated prayer-list request. (The Usher tracks church attendance and communion participation.)

GROWING IN WORSHIP: Parents, please make use of the bulletins available in the Narthex for children aged 5-10, including the bulletins' activities for the whole week!

LARGER-PRINT/FLOW-THROUGH BINDERS are available in the Narthex for those who have trouble seeing the smaller-print of the hymnal, those with other special needs who cannot follow the liturgy in the hymnal or handle its weight, and those who are visiting Pilgrim who are not already familiar with liturgical services and/or our hymnal. If you need or otherwise want to use a flow-through and can help minimize paper and copying expenses, a PDF of the flow-through binder's contents is available in the upper-right corner of Pilgrim's homepage, www.pilgrimlc.org, to open on or to download to your electronic device.

PRAYER REQUEST: If you have a special petition for the Prayers of the Church, please notify the Usher, Elder on Duty, or Pastor before the service.

IF A NEED SHOULD ARISE, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Restrooms are available in the Parish Hall (non-ADA Restrooms are available in the Office Area, one with a change table), and there is a Cry Room (also with a change table) off the south side of the Narthex. Let the Usher or Elder-on-Duty know if you need assistance or supplies.

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LAST WEEK: There were 4 students, 1 teacher, and 1 helper for Sunday School; 17 people were present in-person for Adult Bible Class, and 3 devices were connected via Jitsi; 43 people were present in-person for the Sunday Divine Service (27 communed), and 8 devices streamed the Service live via YouTube; 1 adult came for catechesis on Tuesday and Thursday; 1 youth came for catechesis on Tuesday; 2 people were present in-person for Midweek Bible Study, and 6 devices were connected via Jitsi; 2 catechumens participated via Jitsi Thursday afternoon; and 3 catechumens were present for in-person catechesis Thursday evening.

THANKS: to all those caring for the inside and outside of Pilgrim's facilities; to Rev. Adler for the use of his chasubles; to Remo Gualtieri and Ben Ford, and all those helping with the video and audio for classes and services; and to Ellen Menconi for her Church Office work.

SERVING TODAY: The Rev. Dr. Jayson S. Galler, Pastor; Carl Gardner, Elder on Duty; and Debbie Shockley, Substitute-Organist Service operator.

SUBSTITUTE ORGANIST SERVICE: Today our usual accompanist Elaine Navaille is resting her hands, and we are staying familiar with using the Substitute Organist Service. Remember that there are short introductions to some liturgical pieces, that we hear the Psalm tone once at the beginning and then sing the Psalm *a capella*, and that any Amens added to hymn stanzas marked with \triangle will also be sung *a capella* after the music ends.

LIFE THOUGHTS: There are many people today who care more about animal life than human life. Yet, Jesus says, "you are of more value than many sparrows" (Matthew 10:31). God entrusts creation to humankind, including eating plants and animals. However, God requires a human life for a human life. Ultimately, Jesus died for all human beings, giving their lives even more value! How can we not try to defend God's gift of human life from the moment God begins it until the moment God ends it?

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: In today's Epistle Reading (Romans 6:12-23), the Divinely-inspired St. Paul contrasts our presenting—that is, placing at someone's disposal—ourselves with all our bodily members not to sin as instruments for unrighteousness but to God as instruments of righteousness, since we have been brought from death to life and are not under law but grace. What more can we do to show God at work in us?

AS YOU DEPART, please be mindful of those who are ushered out behind you, who may have difficulty standing and waiting, and so who may need

an open path to the door and to get to their cars quickly. If you stop to talk to someone in the Sanctuary, please keep the aisle as clear as possible and please delay lengthier conversations with the pastor until after he has greeted everyone. Thank you for your consideration!

AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX are hardcopies of Pastor Galler's recent newspaper columns (including his 06/20 column titled, "Pray according to God's revealed will"); *Portals of Prayer* for July-September 2026; the June 2026 edition of Pilgrim's monthly newsletter, *The Pilgrimage*; the larger-print schedule of Daily Bible Reading for June and July; Pilgrim's Constitution, Bylaws, and updated Standing Rules; the latest Church Directory (dated 2026/01/22 on light-blue paper); Issue #16 (Autumn 2025) of *Christian Culture: A printed Magazine for Lutherans* from Luther Classical College; and Pilgrim's Funeral Planning Worksheet for completing, discussing with Pastor Galler, and filing in the Church Office.

HELP WANTED: Pilgrim is in immediate need of a both Financial Secretary and a Facilities Coordinator, and we could use another Elder and a Vice-President. If you are willing to take on such responsibility on a temporary interim or regular term basis, please speak with Acting-President Remo Gualtieri as soon as possible. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of the congregation's needs as you serve God and neighbor!

CATECHESIS: This Tuesday, June 23, an in-person adult class will meet at 1:00 p.m. and an in-person youth class will meet at 4:00 p.m., both in the Conference Room/Library. This Thursday, June 25, an in-person adult class will meet at 10:00 a.m., the Jitsi youth class will meet starting at 4:15 p.m. online, and the in-person family class will meet starting at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library.

KILGORE CITY COUNCIL MEETING: Pastor Galler is scheduled to open the Kilgore City Council Meeting with prayer next on Tuesday, June 23, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. All are welcome to be present.

STUDY HOURS: Pastor Galler is usually in his study Tuesdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and Saturdays Noon to 3:00 p.m. Come for Individual Confession and Absolution (see *Lutheran Service Book* 292-293) or for any other reason. Pastor Galler is also available at other times by appointment at Pilgrim, or he can come to you (email pastor@pilgrimlc.org or text/call 903-984-4333). For emergency pastoral care, please call Pastor Galler.

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"ALL THE PROPHETS TESTIFY": Pilgrim's Midweek Bible Study will continue this Wednesday, June 24, at 7:00 p.m. with Amos 9:1-15. All of the prophetic books testify that everyone who believes in Jesus receives life in His Name (Acts 10:42-43). All people are welcome to participate in the Study, either in-person in the Conference Room/Library or on-line via Jitsi. For more information and for the handouts and audio and video files from past sessions, see <https://www.pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/prophets>.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION: Divine Service will be offered this Thursday, June 25, at 7:00 p.m., commemorating the first public confessing of arguably the chief Lutheran writing.

CELEBRATE LIFE RALLY: Plan to attend Right to Life East Texas's Celebrate Life Rally this Saturday, June 27, at 10:00 a.m. at the Gregg County Courthouse Lawn. Chairs will be provided, though you can bring your own more-comfortable lawn chair. This year's special guest speakers are from the Tyler Junior College Chapter of Turning Point USA.

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:15 a.m. Refreshments; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class ("Basic Bible Accounts"); and 10:45 a.m. Divine Service, followed by a meeting of Pilgrim's 75th Anniversary Committee.

Readings: Jer 28:5-9; Ps 119:153-160; Ro 7:1-13; and Mt 10:34-42.

Hymns: LSB 908; 685; 581; 836; 753; and 966.

Prepare yourself for worship in advance by praying about, reading over, and meditating on the appointed Scripture Readings and Hymns.

"BASIC BIBLE ACCOUNTS": Next Sunday, Pilgrim's Sunday-morning Adult Bible Class continues its "just the facts, ma'am" approach to essential Bible "stories", with each session covering one account. All are welcome! The course is intended to help improve everyone's Biblical "literacy".

75TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE: All are welcome to participate in the discussion and decisions next Sunday, June 28, after the Divine Service, when Pilgrim's 75th Anniversary Committee will meet, with an agenda including the theme, preacher, offering, meal, history, and the like.

BABY-SHOWER GIFTS: For the Ford family's new baby, we are collecting Newborn diapers, wipes, and/or cash or gift cards for the things they will need the most. The family has most other things they need, but, as you know, diapers and wipes are not reusable. In the Narthex, near the LWML-Mite Box, there is a small box for any cash/card contributions.

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