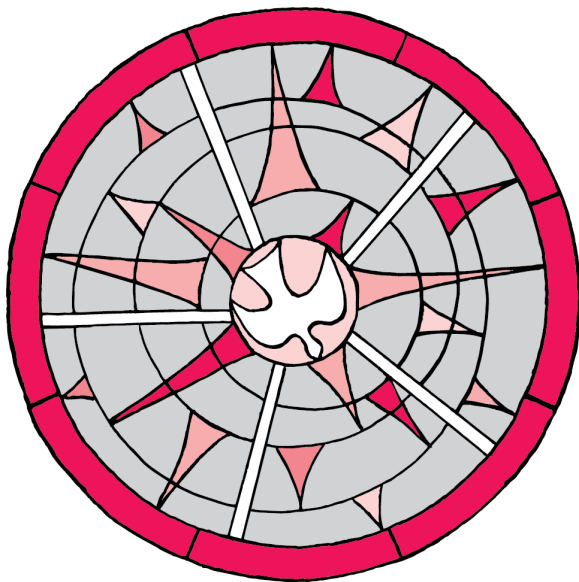




Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 2026

* *Please stand if you are able*

Prelude: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation" Johann Walther

Gathering

WELCOME & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Acolyte: May the Holy Spirit unite us in worship, point us toward Jesus Christ, and inspire us to love mercy, do justice, and walk humbly with God. Come, let us worship God.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Among the gods there is none like you, Lord; no deeds can compare with yours.

All: **All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, Lord; they will bring glory to your name.**

Liturgist: For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.
Psalm 86:8-10

* **All Singing:** **492 "Come, Thou Almighty King"**
Singing verses 1, 2, and 3

* GOD'S GREETING

* GOD'S PEOPLE GREETING ONE ANOTHER

* **All Singing:** **348 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Reconciliation

Liturgist: Teach me your way, Lord, that I may rely on your faithfulness;
All: give me an undivided heart that I may fear your name.

Liturgist: I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify your name forever.
All: For great is your love toward me; you have delivered me from the depths, from the realm of the dead.

Liturgist: You, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.
All: Turn to me and have mercy on me.... *Psalm 86:11-16 adapted*

Silent Reflection and Confession

All Singing: 639 "Lord, Have Mercy"

Liturgist: Don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?
All: We were therefore buried into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

Liturgist: If we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his.
All: For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin –

Liturgist: because anyone who has died has been set free from sin.
All: Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

Liturgist: The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.
All: In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.
Romans 6:3-11 adapted

*** All Singing: "He Will Hold Me Fast"** *Getty*

**When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast**

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast*

**Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast**
Refrain

**For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
'Til our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last!**
Refrain

Proclamation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: God, our helper, by your Holy Spirit open our minds and lead us into your truth for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Scripture: Romans 6:1-11

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Living in *Hesed*

* **All Singing:** 795 “We Know that Christ is Raised”

Dedication

BEARING WITNESS – TESTIMONY

Liturgist: At peace with God and standing in grace, we join our sister in bearing witness to God’s *hesed*.

All: Thanks be to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liturgist: With joy, let us now offer our gifts, in music, heart, and resource, as a sign of our deep devotion and covenant faithfulness.

OFFERING

1. General Fund
2. Sheilah Doyle Foundation

OFFERTORY “Create in Me a Clean Heart”

arr. Melody Bober

* **All Singing:** 492 “Come, Thou Almighty King”
Singing verse 4

Sending

* BENEDICTION

* **All Singing:** 949 “May the Peace of Christ Be with You”
Soloist singing through once, all repeating twice

Postlude: “The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

arr. by Jan Sanborn

Worship Leaders

Organist / Flutist: Lynn Hollender
Pianist: Anne Triezenberg-Sims
Offertory Pianist: Jean Korthals
Vocalist: Emma Vis
Guitar: Jenson Varghese
Minister: Roger Nelson

Acolyte: Rosie Riley
Liturgist: Marva Riley
Prayer: Luke Vant Land
Testimony: Christa Abel

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