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## June 28, 2026 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost Service of the Word

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Council President: Karen Oko  
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Worship Host: Sara Dorow

### Welcome

**Gathering Song** “*Oh, Sing to God Above*” (ELW 555, WOV 726)

### Greeting

### Graduate & Retiree Prayer of Blessing

### Prayer of the Day

### Children’s Time

### First Reading

 Jeremiah 28:5-9

<sup>5</sup> The 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, <sup>6</sup> and 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. <sup>7</sup> But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. <sup>8</sup> The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. <sup>9</sup> As 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.”

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

<sup>1</sup> Your love, O Lord, forever will I sing;  
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

<sup>2</sup> **For I am persuaded that your steadfast love is established forever;  
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.**

<sup>3</sup> "I have made a covenant with my chosen one;  
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

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

<sup>15</sup> Happy are the people who know the festal shout!  
They walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.

<sup>16</sup> **They rejoice daily in your name;  
they are jubilant in your righteousness.**

<sup>17</sup> For you are the glory of their strength,  
and by your favor our might is exalted.

<sup>18</sup> **Truly, our shield belongs to the Lord;  
our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

**Second Reading** Romans 6:12-23

<sup>12</sup> Do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. <sup>13</sup> 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. <sup>14</sup> For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. <sup>15</sup> What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! <sup>16</sup> 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? <sup>17</sup> 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 <sup>18</sup> and that you, having been set free from sin, have become enslaved to righteousness. <sup>19</sup> 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. <sup>20</sup> When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. <sup>21</sup> So what fruit did you then gain from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. <sup>22</sup> 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. <sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### **Gospel Verse - Now the Feast and Celebration Liturgy**

**Gospel** Matthew 10:40-42

[Jesus said to the twelve:] <sup>40</sup> “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. <sup>41</sup> 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, <sup>42</sup> 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.”

### **Sermon**

**Song of the Day** ‘*Here I Am Lord*’ (ELW 574, WOV 752) vs 1,3

### **New Member Welcome**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

*In our prayers: Gertie B, Carl C, Tom d, Susan K, Cody M, Brendan S, Pr. Erin T, Shirley E, Faye P, Pr. Rod A, Carola U, Darlene & Randy F, Anna E, Pathma D, Brenda K, Jan Stanton & the Davidson family as they mourn the loss of husband, father and Grandfather Ken, and those we hold dear in our hearts.*

### **Peace**

**Offertory** “*As the Grains of Wheat*’ (refrain only) NTF

### **Offering Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer** written by Eric Davidson, HSLC Confirmation Class 2019

**O Living Mercy,**

**Let love fall from the heavens.**

**Blessed is your true name.**

**We pray for Your reign of Love to come.**

**Give us today the things we need.**

**Forgive us, as we forgive others.**

**Untie the knots of failure,**

**keeping us from doing good.**

**Lead the people of your Kingdom,**

**to do good and worship you. Amen.**

**Blessing**

**Community Life**

**Sending Song** *'Let Justice Flow like Streams'* (ELW 717, WOV 763) vs 1,3

**Dismissal**

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