



**Service of Worship for the Lord's Day**  
**June 28, 2026**  
**Ordinary 13**

*Prayers written by Don Quinley.*

**PRELUDE** "Meditation on Darwall's 128th" Gilbert Martin

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor: Clap your hands all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.

***People: For the Lord Most High is awesome, the great king over all the earth.***

Pastor: He has given us victory over death. He gathers His sheep around Him.

***People: We are the sheep of His pasture. He calls and we know His voice.***

**HYMN** #661 Why Should I Feel Discouraged?

**PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

Guide: Lord Most High, we are here to give you our praises and to worship you. For you alone, Lord, are the only one worthy to be praised by all people on earth. May the hymns of praise and the joy of your people be a sweet fragrance to you.

***People: We are the sheep of Your pasture. We are nourished by Your presence and Word. Your voice is calming to us and Your leading keeps our way true and safe. Many snares are present along our way, but none can snatch us from Your mighty hand.***

Guide: Unlike many of the angry wolves that howl at our doorstep, our dwelling in You is firm and secure. It is founded on the rock of Jesus, who was tested and found immutable. He calls us in from the wilds to rest securely within His fold, as He is the door to keep us safe and secure.

***People: Lord, like sheep, we are a stubborn people at times, and we assume that we know what You know. Forgive our arrogance and show us how to be humble before You. We should always remember that it took the love and obedience of Your son Jesus, our Savior, to reconcile us to You. We now confess our sins to You and pray for Your forgiveness.***

Guide: Lead us now to pray the prayer You taught Your disciples, saying ***“The Lord’s Prayer”***  
***(debts/debtors) p. 35 in hymnal***

### **PROMISE OF THE GOSPEL**

Guide: Arise from the bed of doubt and uncertainty, arise and know that God is in His heaven and that those who believe in Jesus Christ are sons and heirs to His kingdom.

### **CHORAL RESPONSE** *(in unison)*

#582 “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

**ANTHEM** “Precious Lord, Take My Hand” by Thomas Dorsey, arr. Marilyn Ham- Janice James, piano

**FAMILY SERMON** Joy Bornhoeft

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Reader: God’s Word is true and ready to fill us, by the work of the Holy Spirit, with knowledge and power to fulfill the Great Commission and to spread God’s love to all who will receive it.

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

#### **Romans 6:12-18**

12-13 So then, don’t let sin rule your body, so that you do what it wants. Don’t offer parts of your body to sin, to be used as weapons to do wrong. Instead, present yourselves to God as people who have been brought back to life from the dead, and offer all the parts of your body to God to be used as weapons to do right.

***14 Sin will have no power over you, because you aren’t under Law but under grace.***

15 So what? Should we sin because we aren’t under Law but under grace? Absolutely not!

***16 Don’t you know that if you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, that you are slaves of the one whom you obey? That’s true whether you serve as slaves of sin, which leads to death, or as slaves of the kind of obedience that leads to righteousness.***

17 But thank God that although you used to be slaves of sin, you gave wholehearted obedience to the teaching that was handed down to you, which provides a pattern.

***18 Now that you have been set free from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness.***

***All: This is the Word of the Lord. Amen.***

#### **Matthew 10:34-42**

34-36 “Don’t think that I’ve come to bring peace to the earth. I haven’t come to bring peace but a sword. I’ve come to turn a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. People’s enemies are members of their own households.

***37-38 “Those who love father or mother more than me aren’t worthy of me. Those who love son or daughter more than me aren’t worthy of me. Those who don’t pick up their crosses and follow me aren’t worthy of me.***

39-40 Those who find their lives will lose them, and those who lose their lives because of me will find them. “Those who receive you are also receiving me, and those who receive me are receiving the one who sent me.

**41 Those who receive a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet's reward. Those who receive a righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward.**

42 I assure you that everybody who gives even a cup of cold water to these little ones because they are my disciples will certainly be rewarded."

**All: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**SERMON "Division in the Church" Pastor Joseph**

**HYMN #321 The Church's One Foundation**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Pastor: The foundation of the church, from which the prayers of the people arise, is Jesus Christ, our Lord. No other person, platform, or practice is secure. By no other name can prayers of the created order address the creator. We, that people, standing on His name, approach the throne of God with our prayers and supplications. Hear us, God, we pray. Hear our resolve that only You can save. Only you can touch our hearts, souls and bodies to give us Your peace.

***People: We are gathered in Your name. We are once again acknowledging that You can, and do, work wonders in the lives of Your people and creation. We are again acknowledging that through Your love shown by Your disciples, lives are changed and restoration happens. We pray for those on our minds and hearts.***

- *Silent prayers for others and ourselves. A candle is lit. -*

Pastor: God is gracious and delights in those restored to His kingdom, and in those who have been blest by His healing power. It is in the name of Jesus Christ we pray and give our thanks for God's work. Amen.

**OFFERTORY "Meditation on 'Dennis'" David Paxton**

**\*OFFERING (in unison) "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"**  
***God, Whose giving knows no ending, from Your rich and endless store,  
Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, Costly cross, grave's shattered door:  
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,  
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving You by loving all.***

**DEDICATION (unison)**

***Bless these tithes and offerings to the mission of Christ's work by His church on earth. It is in His name we pray. Amen.***

**CLOSING HYMN #738 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee**

**BENEDICTION Pastor Joseph**

**DOXOLOGY (in unison) #606**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;***

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**POSTLUDE** "With High Delight" Raymond Haan

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

**Christian Unity is a gift that takes both faith and work to maintain. It's easy to associate with folks who are like us, but that can also close us off from what God is doing among others.**

**How can we break out of easy homogeneity and seek true unity across social divisions?**

**MONDAY Psalm 47**

**TUESDAY I Thessalonians 4:9-12**

**WEDNESDAY Job 39:26-40**

**THURSDAY Isaiah 51:1-3**

**FRIDAY Jeremiah 18:1-11**

**SATURDAY Matthew 5:3-16**

**SUNDAY Romans 12:1-18**