



**FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
PROPER 8**

**June 28, 2026  
10:00am**

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Serving God and Community**

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## **Welcome to Woodsboro Lutheran Church**

**WELCOME!** We are delighted that you have joined us for worship today. If you are visiting with us for the first time, we invite you to sign our guest book at the entrance to the sanctuary. Our ushers are happy to assist you in any way. The Pastor would love to meet you so please introduce yourself. Woodsboro Evangelical Lutheran Church is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). We are blessed by your presence today.

*The June bulletins are given to the glory of God and in memory of my husband,  
parents, and siblings by Doris Rippeon*

*Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Charles, Rebecca  
and Bill King by Janet King.*

**Lay Reader: Robin Rippeon**  
**Recording Assistant: Donna Droneburg**  
**Usher: Peggy Esworthy**  
**Flower Coordinator: Michelle Burns and Suzanne Yusko**

JUNE 28, 2026  
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GATHERING

*\*Please stand as able Congregation responses are in bold.*

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHILDRENS MESSAGE**

**\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
whose compassion endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin to God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Compassionate God,

**we confess to you all our sins.**

**Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves.**

**In your mercy, call us back to you.**

**Your yoke is easy and your burden is light.**

**Restore us to dwell in your peace.**

**In Christ's name we pray,**

**Amen.**

Jesus says, "Come to me,

all you who are weary

and are carrying heavy burdens,

and I will give you rest."

In the name of God,

Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,

your sins are forgiven.

Rest in God's love.

**Amen.**

**\*GATHERING SONG**

**#641 –All Are Welcome**

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

**And also with you.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**in unison**

**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. 9**

**Amen.**

**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.”

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks Be to God**

## PSALM

Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

- <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.

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**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Musical notation for the Gospel Acclamation. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp). The first staff is labeled 'S102' in the upper right corner. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics 'al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp.

**\*GOSPEL:**

**Matthew 10:40-42**

**Glory to you, O Lord**

[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.”

**Praise to you, O Christ**

**SERMON**

**Pastor Sean**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**

**#650 – In Christ There is No East or West**

**\*APOSTLE'S CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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 OF THE PEOPLE**

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

*A brief silence.*

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,  
**hear our prayer.**

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,  
**hear our prayer.**

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,  
**hear our prayer.**

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,

**hear our prayer.**

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,

**hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

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,

**hear our prayer.**

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

**Amen.**

## **OUR OFFERING FOR GOD'S WORK**

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

**Lift Me Up**

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Loving God,

we offer the gifts of our hearts.

Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love,  
so that all creation can taste your abundance.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,  
through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

**Amen.**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**in unison**

**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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION**

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,

✠ one God,

bless, heal, and hold you

today and always.

**Amen.**

## **\*SENDING SONG**

**#543 – Go, My Children, With My Blessing**

## **\*DISMISSAL**

Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

**Thanks be to God.**

## **POSTLUDE**

### **WOODSBORO LUTHERAN PRAYER LIST**

Carolyn Abrecht, Arvella (Artie) Anders, Kelli Angleberger, Shirley Baker, Larry Beard, Mack Burdette, Donna Carbone, Barbara Christie, Nancy and Donald Creager, Ruby Darner, Doug Eaves, Shari Eby, Ed Esworthy, Luke Gavin, Evgeni Gevezovski, Richard Harper, Philip Hockman, Faye Hollaway, Bob Hyde, Jana Inskeep, Chris Johnson, Tom and Terri Johnson, Barbara Keyser, Doris Lenhart, Rev. Dale Lind, Cathy Long, Sandy Measell, Mark Moler, Patrick Moseley, Genie Neugebauer, Darren Poindexter, Marla Potts, Kevin Riffle, Gary Smith, Greg Smith, Mike Stottlmyer, Lois Summers, Donald Trimmer, Emily Vietti, Jeff Wisner, the family of Pastor Harry Wolpert, and Tom Yealey

### **WELC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**NOTE: In order to keep your membership active, you must take communion, and complete and submit a card once per year.**

**Pastor Sean's Weekly Office Hours** – Every Thursday from 10:00am-2:00pm. Please feel free to stop by to say hello, give feedback or if you need pastoral care. As always, Pastor Sean can be reached throughout the week at [welcpastorsean@gmail.com](mailto:welcpastorsean@gmail.com) or 301-606-3632.

**Worship Service Social** – Join us for coffee, snacks, and fellowship on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month prior to our worship service.

**Free Community Dinner** – The next dinners are July 7th from 5-6:30 and July 18th cosponsored with St. Pauls's Lutheran Church from 5-6:30. All are welcome so invite your family and friends. Volunteers are always needed. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Sean.

**The 2026 Flower Chart** is posted in the narthex. Please consider volunteering to furnish flowers for Sunday worship. Contact Jennifer Abrecht 301-606-7518.

**Year-to-Date Offerings** – Thank you very much for your continued support. The updated year to date offering as of June 24th 2026, is \$77,708.53 with an annual budgeted amount of \$169,000.00. Again, we appreciate your financial contributions and ongoing support. If you would like a copy of the financial statement please contact Robin Rippeon at [robinrnest@comcast.net](mailto:robinrnest@comcast.net).

**Council Meeting** TBA - To request a copy of minutes please contact Suzanne Yusko at [smy196914@gmail.com](mailto:smy196914@gmail.com). If anyone would like a copy of the financial report, please email Robin Rippeon at [robinrnest@comcast.net](mailto:robinrnest@comcast.net).

**Congregational Meeting Today– June 28<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship service.** Please plan to attend this mid-year meeting where we will review the past 6 months and discuss the remainder of this church year as well as future plans. Please plan to attend and as always your input during the meeting is greatly appreciated.

**FREE – WELC China** – We are cleaning out our cupboards. If you would like some WELC China you are welcome to take as few or as many as you want. The China is on tables in the social hall. It will be available until the first week of July and then the remainder will be donated. If you have any questions, please see any council member.

**Caring Closet** will be collecting items for their program. July's focus will be on laundry items: detergent, softener, stain remover and bleach. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

**WLC Food Collection – The Latest from the GVCS Food Bank** - All donations are greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the food bank

at 301-845-4229 (Leave a message and your call will be returned.) or email at [GVFB21w@gmail.com](mailto:GVFB21w@gmail.com). Thank all of you for your continued support!

<b>Currently, the greatest needs are:</b>		
<b>Kid's Cereal</b>	<b>Spaghetti Noodles</b>	<b>Spaghetti Sauce</b>
<b>Canned Beans</b>	<b>Boxed Crackers</b>	<b>Baked Beans</b>

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Woodsboro Lunch Bunch Meeting** – Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 am, we are planning to go to Ledo Pizza at 1293A Riverbend Way, Frederick, MD. Invite a friend. If you are interested in going, please call Doris at 301-676-8742. New members are always welcome.

### **June Birthdays**

2-Jun	Tyler Newell
6-Jun	Barbara Christie
7-Jun	Megan Stitely-Brenneman
11-Jun	Sara Esworthy Salliby
12-Jun	Barbara Castle
14-Jun	Karstyn Elizabeth Smith
	Kimberly Main
17-Jun	Doris Lenhart
23-Jun	Emilia Rose Kenny

### **June Anniversaries**

2	Jeffrey & Christine Gladhill
30	Donald & Peggy Trimmer



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