



Preparation for Worship:
 For fathers and father-figures,
 I pray and give thanks.
 And, God, for all the ways you guide,
 direct, teach and protect us in love,
 I praise you.

Please stand as you are able **Bold Items read in unison*

GATHERING We come together to worship God

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation/Call to Worship: **For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground; I will pour out my Spirit on your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants.** (Isaiah 44:3)

Opening Prayer

* Opening Hymn – *Our Father, by Whose Name* Red **#325**

Confession of Sin: **Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy and ask You for Christ’s sake, grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to eternal life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Response:(sung, #129, v.2) **Speak Thy pard’ning grace to me, Set the burdened sinner free; Lead me to the Lamb of God; Wash me in His precious blood.**

Declaration of Grace

Prayers of the Church (P: Lord in Your mercy C: **Hear our prayer.**)

WORD We seek guidance from God’s Word

Jeremiah 20:8-13 Old Testament
 Psalm 91:1-10 Responsive Reading
 Romans 6:16-23 Epistle Lesson

* Confession of Faith (Apostles’ Creed): **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from where He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the Holy Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* Gloria Patri: (sung, p. 4) **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

*Offertory (sung, p. 33 for melody) **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence: and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation: and uphold me with Your free Spirit.**

Children’s Sermon

Hymn – *Though Troubles Assail Us and Dangers Affright* Red **#551**

* Sermon Text: Matthew 10:5, 21-33

Sermon – Our Heavenly Father Pastor Barry

SENDING We go out to live in & share God’s Word

* Closing Hymn – *O Take My Hand, Dear Father* Red **#452**

* Lord’s Prayer: **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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

* Benediction & Doxology: (sung, p. 24 for melody) **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.**

* Dismissal L: Go in Peace, and Serve the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

Reflecting the Father’s Name

Renowned actor Sidney Poitier once said, “I decided in my life that I would do nothing that did not reflect positively on my father’s life.” For those blessed with a father they admire and respect, such a decision can be deeply shaping. How might it influence the way you set priorities, live with integrity, or serve as a positive example to the young people watching your life?

For all of us — children of the only perfect Father — may this be our prayer and intention:

God, while earthly fathers are a blend of strengths and flaws, you give yourself to us as our heavenly Father, wholly loving, kind and deeply invested in our good. Help me seek to reflect positively on you. May my life spread your love, kindness and care far and wide, and may others see you in me. Amen.

This Week in the Parish - June 21 - 28

MONDAY Newsletter Deadline!
SUNDAY 9:00 am Worship at First American
10:45 am Worship at Hope

Rejoicing in your presence & gifts – June 14, 2026

First American: General—\$945. Benevolence—\$80. Budget per Sun—\$2068.

Welcome! Welcome to worship, and a special greeting to those who follow in God's footsteps by sharing fatherly love. Happy Father's Day! Please be sure to introduce yourself and sign our guest register as you leave.

Prayer in our corporate worship service is very important. To maintain a current prayer list, requests for non-members will be in the bulletin for three weeks. For additional time, please send an update to Pastor Barry. New additions will be underlined, and those scheduled to come off will be in italics.

Health Needs of our Members: Mike Fechner. Allan Hale. Dawsyn Johnston. Robert Kurtz. Sue Neumeister. Tammy Ziegler.

Health Needs: *Mike Brezina* (Tripp Community). *Karalin Lyons* (cousin of Katy Brock). *Marlin Nuss* (father of Jodi Fuerst). Jeanette Tiede (sister of Lila Fechner). Rachel (mother of Trista Friman).

Sympathy: Prayers of comfort for the family & friends of Loren Buchholz (Tripp community).

Birthdays: 21 Nash Johnston. 24 Shawn Bietz.

Anniversaries: 21 Wayne & Tammy Bietz. 27 Seth & Pamela Bietz.

AFLC Churches: St. John's Lutheran, Newark, OH; Free Lutheran of Roseau, Roseau, MN; Zion Lutheran, Tioga, ND.

Mission: Life 96.5 Radio in Sioux Falls.

Our members in Care Centers:

Avera Bormann Manor in Parkston: Elmer Bietz
Avera Bormann Assisted Living in Parkston: Carol Bietz
Avera Weskota Manor in Wessington Springs: Lorene Jerke
Good Samaritan Society-Scotland: Delaine Geuther.
Menno-Olivet Care Center: Norma Mogck

Quilt Show: On July 3rd, in conjunction with the All-School Reunion, there will be a quilt show at First American from noon – 6 pm. Quilted items have been donated by Tripp-Delmont alumni and for \$1/entry or \$5/6 entries, you can get your name in a drawing to win the items. All proceeds go to the Tripp Action Group.

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Today's Readings

June 21, 2026

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Old Testament

Jeremiah 20:8-13

Whenever I speak, I cry out proclaiming violence and destruction. So the word of the LORD has brought me insult and reproach all day long. ⁹ But if I say, "I will not mention his word or speak anymore in his name," his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot. ¹⁰ I hear many whispering, "Terror on every side! Denounce him! Let's denounce him!" All my friends are waiting for me to slip, saying, "Perhaps he will be deceived; then we will prevail over him and take our revenge on him." ¹¹ But the LORD is with me like a mighty warrior; so my persecutors will stumble and not prevail. They will fail and be thoroughly disgraced; their dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹² LORD Almighty, you who examine the righteous and probe the heart and mind, let me see your vengeance on them, for to you I have committed my cause. ¹³ Sing to the LORD! Give praise to the LORD! He rescues the life of the needy from the hands of the wicked.

Psalm 91:1-10

- ¹ Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.
- ² **I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust."**
- ³ Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare
and from the deadly pestilence.
- ⁴ **He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will
find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.**
- ⁵ You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day,
⁶ **nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness,
nor the plague that destroys at midday.**
- ⁷ A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand,
but it will not come near you.
- ⁸ **You will only observe with your eyes
and see the punishment of the wicked.**
- ⁹ If you say, "The LORD is my refuge,"
and you make the Most High your dwelling,
¹⁰ **no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent.**

Lessons – June 28, 2026 Old Testament-Jeremiah 28:5-9 Psalm 119:153-160
Epistle – Romans 7:1-13 Gospel – Matthew 10:34-42

Epistle

Romans 6:16-23

¹⁶ Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. ¹⁸ You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. ¹⁹ I am using an example from everyday life because of your human limitations. Just as you used to offer yourselves as slaves to impurity and to ever-increasing wickedness, so now offer yourselves as slaves to righteousness leading to holiness. ²⁰ When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. ²¹ What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death! ²² But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Matthew 10:5, 21-33

⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. ²² You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. ²³ When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. Truly I tell you, you will not finish going through the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes. ²⁴ "The student is not above the teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵ It is enough for students to be like their teachers, and servants like their masters. If the head of the house has been called Beelzebul, how much more the members of his household! ²⁶ "So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. ²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. ²⁸ Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. ³⁰ And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. ³² "Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. ³³ But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven.

Matthew 10:5,21-33

"Our Heavenly Father"

June 21, 2026

1. Holy

2. Lord

3. Trustworthy