



June 21, 2026
Weekly Insert

Today's Hymns for Worship

Gathering Hymn	#876	<i>Let the Whole Creation Cry</i>
Hymn of the Day	#796	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i>
Communion Hymn	#592	<i>Just as I Am, Without One Plea</i>
Sending Hymn	#774	<i>What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine</i>

Today's Readings for Worship

First Reading Jeremiah 20:7-13

⁷ O LORD, you have enticed me,
and I was enticed;
you have overpowered me,
and you have prevailed.
I have become a laughingstock all day
long;
everyone mocks me.
⁸ For whenever I speak, I must cry out;
I must shout, "Violence and
destruction!"
For the word of the LORD has become
for me
a reproach and derision all day long.
⁹ If I say, "I will not mention him
or speak any more in his name,"
then within me there is something like a
burning fire
shut up in my bones;
I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.
¹⁰ For I hear many whispering:
"Terror is all around!
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"
All my close friends
are watching for me to stumble.

"Perhaps he can be enticed,
and we can prevail against him
and take our revenge on him."
¹¹ But the LORD is with me like a
terrifying warrior;
therefore my persecutors will
stumble,
and they will not prevail.
They will be greatly shamed,
for they will not succeed.
Their eternal dishonor
will never be forgotten.
¹² O LORD of hosts, you test the
righteous;
you see the heart and the mind;
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my
cause.
¹³ Sing to the LORD;
praise the LORD!
For he has delivered the life of the
needy
from the hands of evildoers.

Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God

Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18

Surely, for your sake I have suffered reproach,
and shame has covered my face.

**I have become a stranger to my own kindred,
an alien to my mother's children.**

Zeal for your house has eaten me up;
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

I humbled myself with fasting, but that was turned to my reproach.

Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind;
in your great compassion, turn to me.

**Hide not your face from your servant;
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.**

Draw near to me and redeem me; because of my enemies deliver me.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 10:24-39

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 10th Chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

²⁴ "A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; ²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

²⁶ "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷ What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸ Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear 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 apart from your Father. ³⁰ And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹ So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³² "Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴ "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword.

³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, ³⁶ and one's foes will be members of one's own household. ³⁷ "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not

worthy of me,³⁸ and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me.³⁹ Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Flowers provided by Meagan & Chris Semore, for our 17th wedding anniversary.

(Following worship, setup for Sunday Supper takes place in the Fellowship Hall and making sack lunches takes place in the Library.)

We Hold in Prayer this Week

Those Grieving: Ben and Carol Krause at the death of Ben's father, Wayne, on 24 May.

God's Healing Presence: Kathy Trosvig; Pat Krassin; Sheryn Todd; Elizabeth Ritchie; Agnes Birklid; Gayle & Dave's niece Amanda; Beth's friend Kamm & sister-in-law, Megan; Debbie's friends Larry and Alana; Surridges' friends Barby & Larry, Hedy, Monte, Cynthia, and Marc; Ed & Evie Bishop; Peggy & Dave's friend Royce Keller; Joan's father; Dave's friend, Julie Bolser, and niece, Leile Defolo; John, Guillermo, Monica, Cecilia, and Sofia; Val, Jill Johnson's mom; Call Committee, Pastor Andy Yee, and candidates considering a call to Central Lutheran Church.

Prayers for our world, nation, and communities: For immigrants living in fear. For nations and peoples in the midst of warfare. For refugees seeking safety.

Announcements

We rejoice in the Reception of New Members today. Names of those joining Central will be announced at the service. Congratulations to Clifford Randall on his baptism. Cliff's sponsor is Peter VanderWeyst.

Mission of the Month Everett Gospel Mission provides care for the homeless of Everett, including shelter, food, and comprehensive recovery programs.

Sunday Supper is looking for donations of chips (individual sizes) and soft granola bars.

Sewers Needed We have numerous quilts each month that need the binding sewn down. The quilts are tied and the binding pinned down. If you are a sewer and would like to help, please let us know! Contact Debbie Ritchie for more information.

Special Music We are looking for people to contribute special music this summer. If you have any friends or relatives that sing or play instruments and might like to help us out, please contact Peggy: peggykurtz@me.com

On the 4th of July weekend Central Lutheran will be gathering with several other area congregations to worship. The event will take place at The Gathering, 4634 Alger Avenue. Following worship, please plan to join in a BBQ on the grounds of the church. Those planning to stay for lunch should bring a salad or dessert to share. The Gathering will provide hot dogs and hamburgers.

This Week at Central

Sunday, June 21

- 8:45 am Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30 am Friends Worship
- 10:00 am Central Worship
- 11:00 am Central Fellowship
- 11:30 am Academia Latina
- 1:00 pm Looking for Jesus Prayer Group
- 5:00 pm Sunday Supper

Monday, June 22

- 9:30 am Quilters

Tuesday, June 23

- 6:00 pm Academia Latina

Wednesday, June 24

- 8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network

Thursday, June 25

- 8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network
- 6:00 pm Academia Latina

Sunday, June 28

- 10:00 am Central Worship
- 11:00 am Central Fellowship
- 11:30 am Academia Latina
- 1:00 pm Looking for Jesus Prayer Group
- 5:00 pm Sunday Supper

Worship Leaders	This Sunday, June 21	Next Sunday, June 28
Keyboard	Joan Dirska	Joan Dirska
Usher	Dave Finstad	Dave Finstad
Lectors	TBD	TBD
Assisting Minister	Peter Lee	Jonathan Todd
Communion Bread	Barbara Lichneckert	Barbara Lichneckert
Fellowship Host	Haines Family	TBD
YouTube Operator	Jonathan Todd	Jonathan Todd
Altar Guild	Pam Gleave	Pam Gleave
Interpreter	Rosamaria Casablanca	Rosamaria Casablanca

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