

# Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2026

Welcome to Pilgrim Lutheran Church

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness!  
Come into his presence with singing! *Psalm 100:1*

**Pastor**..... Rev. Paul Landgraf

**Organist**.....recorded music

**Altar Guild**.....Kathryne Nickels and Lois Gerschefske

**Order of Worship**..... **DIVINE SERVICE, Setting Three,**  
**Page 184 in the Lutheran Service Book**  
with **Holy Communion**

**Hymns**.....**493** "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" stand at the last stanza  
**539** "Christ Is the World's Redeemer" stand at the last stanza  
**623** "Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray"  
**617** "O Lord, We Praise Thee"

**First Reading**.....Acts 1:12-26

**Epistle**.....1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11

**Holy Gospel**.....John 17:1-11

**Attendance Last Sunday**.....22

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**Remember Our Sick and Shut-Ins** in your daily prayers; Lois Gerschefske, Michael Gerschefske, James Lacy, Charles Horan, David Lindhardt, Donna Wood, MO District President Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan, and any others that may be experiencing health problems.

A vacant dual-parish northwest of Columbia has extended a **Call to Pastor** to serve full-time. He has recently acknowledged that Call and has promised to give them an answer by the end of May. Please pray for him as he deliberates this Call.

**Confirmation class** at Pilgrim, Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m.

As weather permits, we will continue with **work nights** to take care of grounds work on Wednesday evenings.

**Holy Communion** will be celebrated this morning using individual cups and common cup. Visitors desiring to commune at our altar for the first time are requested to consult with the pastor. This congregation is a member of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod, and that church body believes that the Lord's Supper is a precious gift of God in which Jesus Christ gives us His true body and blood in a miraculous way, together with bread and wine, for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. Because the Bible teaches that this Sacrament may also be spiritually harmful if misused and that participation in the Lord's Supper is an act of confessing the faith, congregations of the LCMS ordinarily commune only those who have been instructed in the teachings of our church and have confessed their faith in those teachings. If you have any questions, please ask the pastor.

If you haven't heard already, **Lois has resigned from being the organist** of Pilgrim Lutheran Church. She will certainly be missed--as the organist, of course--she plans to stay involved with various things at the congregation. The neuropathy in her fingertips has been a major issue recently. Looking at the past, she has certainly enjoyed being the organist since Maxine Bossaller retired in July of 2015, and before that, she also enjoyed being the substitute organist since 1973. We are very thankful to our Lord for the gifts of music, singing, organs, and organists.

**Washington Circuit Third Sunday Youth, May 17:** Attention any and all Washington Circuit youth and their friends in grades 6th through high school. This is a great opportunity for our Lutheran youth and their friends to get together, have fun and dig into God's Word, specifically the book of Romans. Bring your Bible along. We will meet from 6-8 p.m. at Camp Trinity (439 Camp Trinity Drive, New Haven) for fellowship, food and Bible study. Adults that may have to drive youth are welcome to stay and join in the activities or just hang out at Camp Trinity to save miles.

**Family Fun at Camp Trinity:** Bring the family out May 30th for the 21st Annual Family Fun Day beginning at 8 a.m. with a 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run over the trails at Camp Trinity; runners and walkers are both welcome. The Fishing Derby begins at 9:30 and concludes at 11:30. The swimming pool will be open along with a Bounce House for the children. The event concludes with an awards ceremony and devotion at 11:30 a.m. Registration link at <http://www.camptrinity.org/EventsPage>.

**Bulletin items** may be given to Ed Bossaller or e-mailed to [ebossaller@centurytel.net](mailto:ebossaller@centurytel.net)

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PO Box 585  
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10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service



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