



# WHAT WE

# NEED

Matthew 9:9-13 + 18-26

*Sunday, June 7, 2026*

***Sunday***  
***Virtual Worship***

# SUNDAY VIRTUAL WORSHIP

Sunday, May 3, 2026

## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

*“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”*

Roger Wilson

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Return to the Holy One who calls you to steadfast love.

**People: The Lord desires love, not sacrifice.**

Leader: Return to the One who heals and binds, revives and raises up.

**People: the Lord desires knowledge, not burnt offerings.**

Leader: Rejoice in the name of the One who bestows all creation with light and life.

**All: Let us praise the Lord our God, whose love endures forever!**

#### \*HYMN 482

*“Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty”*

#### PRAYER of the DAY (In unison)

**Holy God, you are the creator of the universe and the author of faith itself.**

**Infuse your people with undying trust in you, so that as you have given life to your people throughout the ages, we too might know the true healing and joy that comes from your steadfast word, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.**

#### CALL to CONFESSION

The Lord does not desire sacrifice or burnt offerings, but that we should do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God. Trusting in his abundant grace and relying on the ever-flowing streams of his lovingkindness, let us confess our sin, and experience anew the joy of our forgiveness, already accomplished through the work of Christ Jesus our Lord.

#### PRAYER of CONFESSION (In unison)

**Merciful God, your word and your promises come to us when our hearts are full with rejoicing and when our hearts fall with sorrow for our failings. The gifts you have given us we have not shared with our neighbors. By overt acts and by omission, we diminish your creation. We deceive ourselves about our true nature, and we do not honor your desire for Earth and all her creatures. Forgive us, by your mercy. Help us to amend our lives in accord with your admonitions. Show us the pathway toward healing, and grant us peace, in the name of Christ, our Savior.**

#### SINGING 572

*“Lord, Have Mercy upon Us”*

*Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.*

#### ASSURANCE of FORGIVENESS

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. The saying is sure: for as far as the East is from the West, so far he removes our sin from us. Hear the good news of salvation: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*SHARING the PEACE of CHRIST**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

**PRAYER for ILLUMINATION** (In unison)

**Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, and in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**                      Hosea 5:15-6:6    and    Matthew 9:9-13; 18-26

**SERMON**                                      *“Can’t Buy Me Love”*                      Rev. Myles Thompson

**AFFIRMATION of FAITH** (The Nicene Creed)

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 394**                                      *“There is a Balm in Gilead”*

**INVITATION to OFFERING**

As the people of God, blessed richly by his grace, let us offer ourselves and the fruits of our labor for God’s work in the world, as we present our tithes and offerings.

*(Those joining us online may use our online giving platform at [hocpc.org/give](http://hocpc.org/give))*

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY**    *“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

*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.*

**\*PRAYER of DEDICATION**

Lord of all creation, we offer with thanksgiving what is not ours, but what we have received from you. Bless these gifts for the sake of our sisters and brothers, fellow travelers throughout this world. Let your word of abundant life go out into all the lands, bringing a balm of healing and spiritual nourishment, in Jesus’ name. **Amen.**

## **SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

### **INVITATION to the TABLE**

Jesus said: I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

### **PRAYER of GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and the choir of all the saints from all times and places who forever sing your praise:

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power, God of might  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory  
Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.*

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

And so we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ has risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **WORDS of INSTITUTION and BREAKING of the BREAD**

### **COMMUNION of the PEOPLE**

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

### **PRAYERS of the PEOPLE and THE 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 sins as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.**

**\*HYMN 210**

*"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"*

**\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

## \*SONG of SENDING

*God be with you til we meet again,  
Loving councils guide uphold you  
with the Shepherd's care enfold you.  
God be with you til we meet again.  
Til we meet, til we meet, til we meet at Jesus' feet  
Til we meet, til we meet til we meet  
God be with you til we meet again.*

## POSTLUDE

*"Our Refuge and Strength"*

Donald Callendar



## Hosea 5:15-6:6

<sup>15</sup> I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: <sup>1</sup> "Come, let us return to the Lord, for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. <sup>2</sup> After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. <sup>3</sup> Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth." <sup>4</sup> What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. <sup>5</sup> Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. <sup>6</sup> For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.



## Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

<sup>9</sup> As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he got up and followed him. <sup>10</sup> And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. <sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” <sup>12</sup> But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup> Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners.” <sup>18</sup> While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” <sup>19</sup> And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup> Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, <sup>21</sup> for she was saying to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” <sup>22</sup> Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And the woman was made well from that moment. <sup>23</sup> When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, <sup>24</sup> he said, “Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup> But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. <sup>26</sup> And the report of this spread through all of that district.

