

Second Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 5A)
7 June 2026

Collect of the Day

Almighty and most merciful God, You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and to save the lost. Graciously open our ears and our hearts to hear His call and to follow Him by faith that we may feast with Him forever in His kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Prayer of the Church — Responsive Form

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

O Lord, You strike down and You heal. Though we justly deserve Your wrath for our sin, revive us and raise us up, that we may live before You forever. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, Your Son called Matthew from his tax booth to be an apostle who proclaimed salvation. Continue to call men into Your Holy Ministry, and endow them with every good gift to proclaim Your Word and administer Your Sacraments in righteousness. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father in heaven, by Your grace Abraham did not weaken in faith but trusted Your promises. Strengthen parents to persist in their callings and train their children in Your Word and ways. Defend them from discouragement and apathy, and convince them that You are able to do what You have promised. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Creator of all things, You call into existence what does not exist and govern it for good. Remember those You have given authority among the nations, that the laws they administer might reflect Your order and maintain peace. Grant Your blessing to Your creation, granting the sun and rain, that the bounty of fields would provide our daily bread. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, You are the great Physician of both body and soul. Look with compassion on those who are suffering from illness, especially Linda, Ellen, Ann, Ralph, Marty, Paula, Cindy, Joyce, John, Betty, Chad, Marcia, Jessica, Rosalie, Linda, Jodi, Ken, Mary Jayne, Joline, Aaron, Justin, Drew, David, Jeff, Lyall, Carolyn, Denise, and Marilyn. If it be Your will, give them a full restoration to health and strength. In the midst of these difficulties, O Lord, keep them firm in their faith and trust, that they might never doubt Your presence and love for them. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, remember Kristy Rodgers. Bless her in body and soul with all things needful for this life and eternity. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Righteous God, since Your Son was handed over for our trespasses and raised again for our justification, grant the forgiveness of sins to all who receive the Lord's Supper this day. Lead us

to repent of our sins and hold firmly to Your promises, that the presence of Christ's crucified and risen body may nourish and strengthen us in our faith. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy God, You desire mercy and not sacrifice. Preserve us from doing good only out of a grudging obligation. Grant us joyful hearts that serve our neighbor in love, in thankfulness for the good You have done for us in Jesus Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Holy Father, receive our thanks for Your kindness to Abraham, Sarah and all the saints who have gone before us. Preserve us in faith and in righteousness, that we, too, may give You glory now and forever. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We entrust all these petitions to Your care, loving Father, confident in Your great mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who is worshiped together with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Presentation of the Offering

Heavenly Father, we bring our offerings to Your altar, asking You to make our bodies the temples and dwelling places of the Holy Spirit. We need His grace to dedicate ourselves wholly to Your service and to please You in everything we do. As faithful stewards may we always use our bodies and minds in purity and holiness, and so carry out Christian charity in word, deed, and in our offerings. Hear us for the sake of Your dear Son, even Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.