

Moses and Aaron. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the Lord's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death." ⁴Then the Lord said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. ⁵On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days." ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you will know that it was the Lord who brought you out of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you will see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?" ⁸Moses also said, "You will know that it was the Lord when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the Lord."

ONE: This is the Word of the Lord. **ALL: Thanks be to God.**

Morning Message Wilderness Wanderings: Holy Manna *Pastor Steve*

Musical Reflection *Deb Konupka*

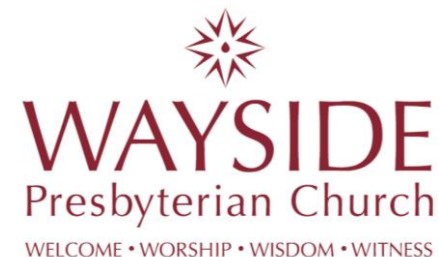
Time of Prayer: Requests, Gratitudes, Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn 647** We Have Come to Join in Worship

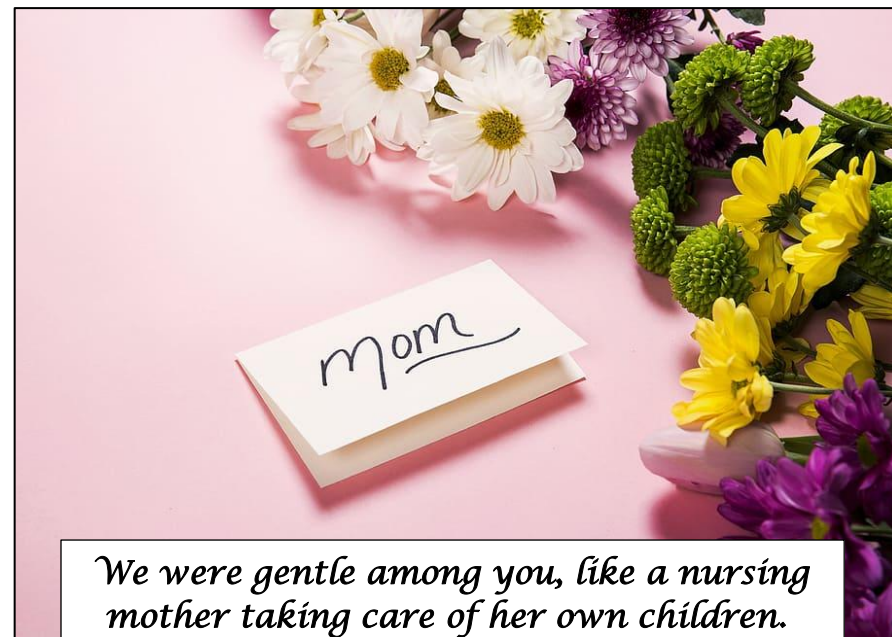
***Benediction**

***Parting Music**

Next Week: Final Bell anthems; Reception of New Member; Overview and Training for those interested in helping with our July Vacation Bible School.


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*We were gentle among you, like a nursing mother taking care of her own children.
(1 Thessalonians 2:7)*

May 10, 2026

9:00 am

Unstaffed Nursery for Parental use, Wheelchair, Hearing Assist System & Large Print Bibles available. See the A/V booth for assistance.



CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY
6th Sunday of Easter / Mother's Day

"Walking with Jesus, sharing Christ along the way"

We welcome all guests, friends, and members to this sacred hour of worship, especially the mothering ones, who in faithful love, raise each generation and lead the church as the Family of God. Thank you for joining us today. We have a special gift for Mother's Day as you depart. If you do not have a church home, please come back often to continue your journey of life and faith with us. You're not alone!

****Please stand as able in body or spirit.***

Greeting / Passing the Peace of Christ / Ways to Connect *Pastor Steve*

Prelude / Lighting Worship & Peace Candles *Deb Konupka, Accompanist*

Responsive Call to Worship (selected verses, *NIV 1984*) *Barb Sager, Liturgist*

ONE: Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
(Matthew 11:28)

ALL: We were gentle among you, like a nursing mother taking care of her own children. *(1 Thessalonians 2:7)*

ONE ³I thank my God every time I remember you. ⁴In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. *(Philippians 1:3-5)*

ALL: Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. *(Proverbs 31:30)*

ONE: Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. *(Romans 12:10)*

ALL: Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it. *(Proverbs 22:6)*

ONE: I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. *(2 Timothy 1:5)*

ALL: Listen to your father who gave you life, and do not despise your mother when she is old. *(Proverbs 23:22)*

ONE: ¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. *(2 Timothy 3:14-15)*

ALL: The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God's people. Amen.
(Revelation 22:21)

***Hymn 40 (vv. 1, 3 & 4)** For the Beauty of the Earth

Unison Prayer of Confession *Liturgist*
Holy God, like a mother hen you seek to gather your children under your protective wings, but we scatter in pursuit of our own comforts and agendas. You call us to fidelity in your Son Jesus alone, but we maintain old idols and worship "other gods" with our time, talents, and treasure. Forgive us for breaking your commandments, warring with our siblings and neighbors, and failing to love you, ourselves, and others with sacred healing love. Warm our hearts with your Holy Spirit. Inspire our minds with your eternal wisdom. And forgive our wandering disobedience that we might return home to your Kingdom to live into our salvation; through Jesus Christ we pray.
(continue in silent personal confession)

Assurance of Pardon John 14:15-21 *Liturgist*
Jesus says... ¹⁵"If you love me, you will obey what I command. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—¹⁷the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. ¹⁸I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him."

ONE: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are, I am, forgiven.

***Hymn 734** Glory Be to the Father / *Gloria Patri*

Chancel Choir Anthem Lead Me, Lord / *Becker, arr. Mark Hayes*

Reception of New Members: Don & Dee Forry *Asst by Tom McMahan, Clerk*

Prayer Table: Giving Pledges, Tithes & Offerings / Lighting Candles / Offertory

Digital gifts may be indicated by tapping the plate with a phone/hand.

***Hymn 34** Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow / *Doxology*

***Prayer of Dedication**



Scripture Reading Exodus 16:1-8 *Pastor Steve*
¹The whole Israelite community set out from Elim and came to the Desert of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had come out of Egypt. ²In the desert the whole community grumbled against