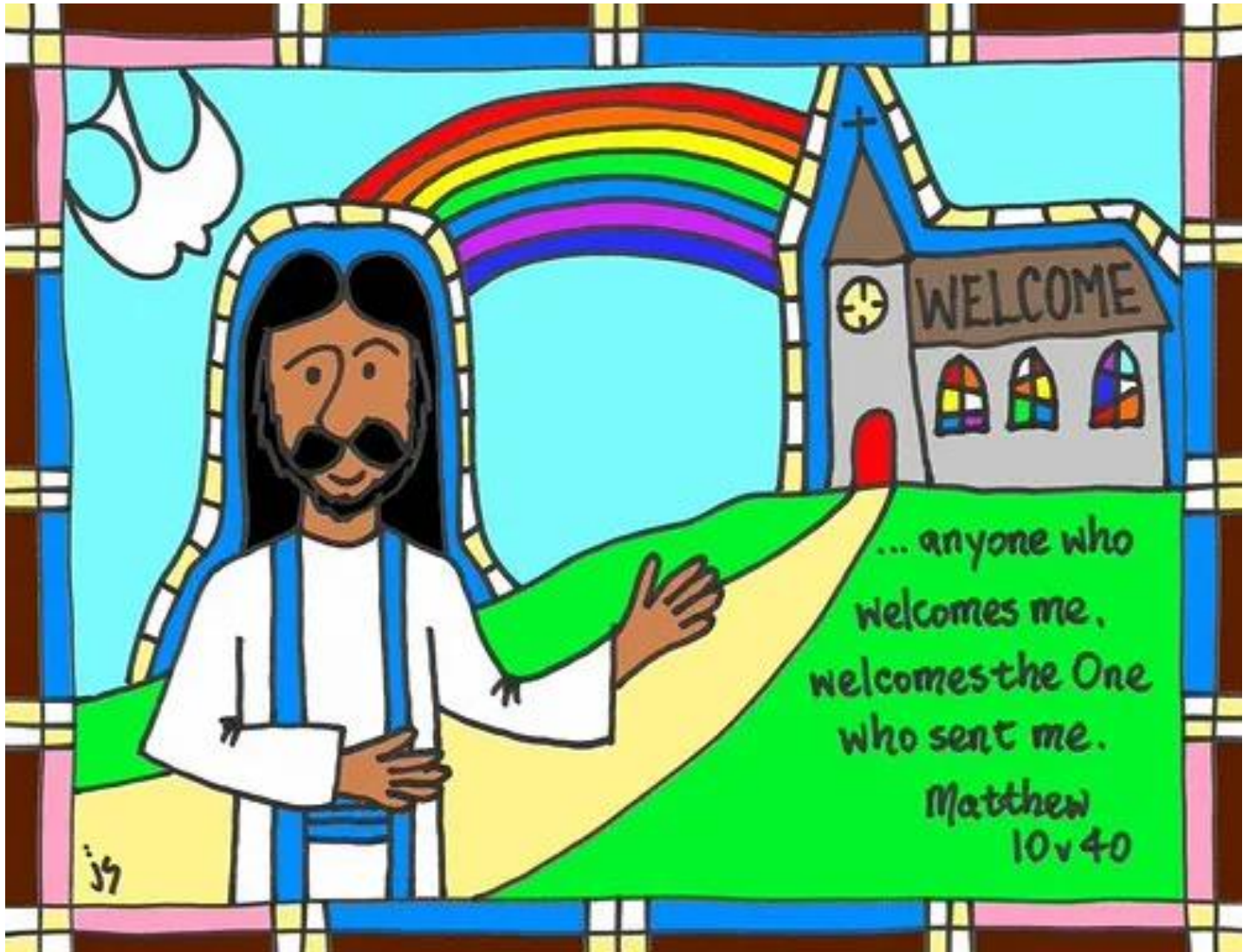


5th Sunday after Pentecost

June 28th, 2026



Gethsemane Lutheran Church

3600 Hampton - St. Louis, MO 63109

Worship God, welcome all to nurture a community of harmony, healing, and justice.

Welcome to worship! We're delighted you are here!



Gethsemane Lutheran Church is a *Reconciling in Christ* Congregation. **You are welcome here.** Holy Communion is offered to all who seek the presence of Christ. Please follow along with the Worship Guide in your pew rack (or ask an usher), and the readings in the insert.

♪♪♪ **TODAY'S MUSIC** *♪♪♪*

Prelude: *Air from French Suite II, J. S. Bach*
Gathering Hymn: *All Are Welcome (ELW 641)*
Hymn of the Day: *Impartial, Compassionate God of All Lives (see insert)*
Musical Offering: *Toccata in the Style of Scarlatti, Gordon Young (played by Evan G.)*
Communion Hymn I: *Welcome Table (see insert)*
Communion Hymn II: *Build a Longer Table (see insert)*
Sending Hymn: *The Peace of the Lord (ELW 646)*
Postlude: *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty, John B. Dykes*



The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Ken and Cheryl Bauer in thankfulness and celebration for our 58th wedding anniversary.



WORSHIP LEADERS	
PRESIDER	Rev. Cheryl Walenta Gorvie
GREETER	Joan Williams
USHERS	Adam, Colleen and Michael Rentchler
ASSISTING MINISTER	Becky Rentchler
LECTOR	Olivia McFarlane
CANTOR	T. Edwards Breed
INSTRUMENTALIST	Evan Gorvie (organ)
CHILDREN'S SERMON	Pastor Cheryl
FELLOWSHIP HOST	Carolyn Pirkle & Natalie T Fontana
ALTAR GUILD	Denise Buehrer
CAMERA	Gary Borkowski
WINE SPONSOR	Kate Hartz

*****ANNOUNCEMENTS*****

- **Summer bulletins** are here! Please use the Worship Guide (leave in your pew rack) and follow along with the readings in the insert and the hymns in the bulletin or on the Hymn board. These bulletins save time and paper, allowing work on other church projects and staff vacations. The new bulletins address feedback from last Summer's bulletins.
- **TODAY!** Evan Gorvie makes his organ debut! He has been working on this piece all year as part of his organ studies under Amy. Give him a word of gratitude, he's been working hard and making great progress!

- **TODAY, June 28**, Brenda Booth from **Isaiah 58** is visiting Gethsemane for a Mission Moment and Q&A after Worship in the Fellowship Hall. Come and hear more about Isaiah 58's new building, the services offered and how Gethsemane can give support.
- **TODAY!** The **Music Fundamentals** class continues in the chapel after fellowship. Learn how to read music in 10 easy lessons, plus online lessons you can do on your own schedule. All are welcome to join in on one or all of the weeks!
- **“Get to Know Gethsemane”** is also **TODAY, 4-7 pm**. If you would like to join Gethsemane as a member, or would just like to know more about this church, then this is for you. Information, introductions, tours and dinner are included.
- All interested in being part of a discussion about **Unhoused Ministries** are invited to meet at Gethsemane on **Wed, July 1, 6-8 pm**
- **Countdown to VBS – 8 days!** VBS will be held at Gethsemane on July 6-10. We'll be Making Waves with God's Gift of Water. **VBS Training is Next Week, Sun., July 5.**
- Gethsemane will be hosting a free **“Come-as-you-are Community Meal”** on **Tues, July 14, 6-8 pm**. The goal is to provide free food and fellowship to our neighbors. We'll serve spaghetti and meatballs with Garrett's famous sauce, bread, salad and lemonade. All are welcome to help cook, serve and/or eat! Look for a sign up in the enews!
- **The June Big Ask** is diapers (size 4T, 5T, 5 or 6), baby wipes and all-purpose cleaner. Place donation items in the cabinet located in the hallway leading to the Narthex.
- **The Messenger has a digital format!** If you have any items to include for the July newsletter, please send them to Gretchen at connect@gethsemanestl.org by June 24.

More announcements in the weekly enews! Check the box on your attendance sheet to subscribe

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Cindy Breed: strength, patience and confidence

Kate Hartz: courage and trust

Barb Johnson: recovering from surgery

Fred Lenhart: comfort and peace

Margaret Lenhart: comfort and peace

Carleen Reinhardt: healing after knee surgery

Dell Roth: comfort and joy

Sharon Salerno: healing and strength

Request for:	<i>On Behalf of:</i>
Bev, good friend, (fighting cancer)	<i>Breed/Penny family</i>
Speedy recovery and pain relief for Hannah's broken arm	<i>Gaines/Tulloch family</i>
Dad (comfort); Melissa (employment); Farmers of the world	<i>Cat Leonard</i>
The people of Gaza and the Occupied Territories of Palestine, Lebanon, Syria, Iran, Ukraine, Sudan, South Sudan, Myanmar, Cambodia, and Venezuela; Pat Fulton (healing, strength); thanksgiving to God for AJ Olson's ordination!; Ginny Olson (healing, strength); Sister Marie Orf; Jojo (encouragement); those who do not feel safe in their communities; all impacted by disasters; for peace with justice in our world.	<i>Maryn Olson and Angie Fulton</i>
Thanksgiving for the children and parents who join in the Children's Message every week	<i>Chris Schmidt</i>
Toby, Dale, Rob, Nicole and Steve, Ryan (housing, employment, food, health and hope)	<i>Social Action</i>

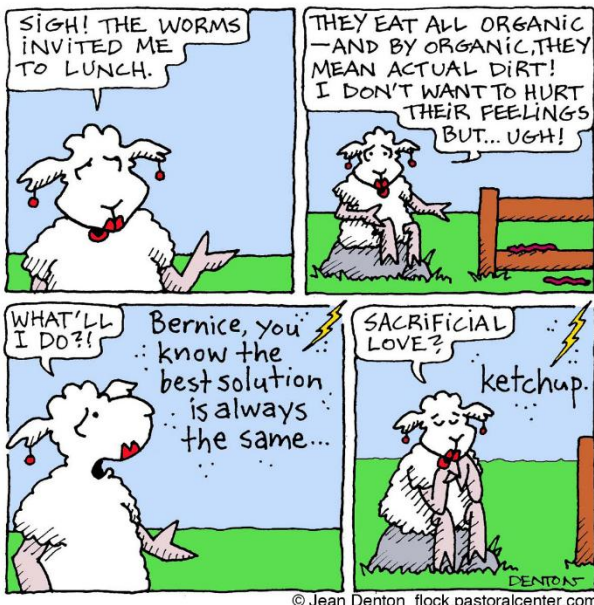
Gethsemane Lutheran Church Calendar June 28 – July 5, 2026

Today 6/28 Sunday	9:30 am	Worship: In-Person and on YouTube Fellowship: Cookies and Q&A with Brenda Booth from Isaiah 58 (fellowship hall)
	10:45 am	
6/29 Monday	11 – 11:30 am	Music Fundamentals Class with Amy (Chapel) Get to Know Gethsemane + Dinner
	4:00 – 7:00 pm	
6/30 Tuesday	6:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7/1 Wednesday	10 am	Bible Study
	1:00 – 3:00 pm	
7/4 Saturday	6:00 – 8:00 pm	Staff Meeting (phones unanswered) Unhoused Ministry meeting, all are welcome
	All Day	
7/5 Sunday	9:30 am	Worship: In-Person and on YouTube Fellowship: Cookies and Lemonade Music Fundamentals Class with Amy (Chapel) VBS Training
	10:45 am	
	11 - 11:30 am	
	11am – 1 pm	

Upcoming Dates to Consider

Date	Time	Event
July 6-10	9 am – 5 pm	Vacation Bible School!
Tues, July 14	6-8 pm	Free Community Dinner (Spaghetti, Meatballs, Salad, Bread) at Gethsemane. Volunteer opportunities!
Tues, July 28	6:30 pm	Church Council meeting to discuss listening campaign

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"Whoever receives you, receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me."