

**Old Testament Reading: Hosea 5:15–6:6**

- <sup>15</sup>I will return again to my place,  
until they acknowledge their guilt  
and seek my face,  
and in their distress earnestly seek  
me.
- <sup>6:14</sup>“Come, let us return to the LORD,  
for he has torn us, that he may heal  
us;  
he has struck us 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 going out is sure as the dawn;  
he will come to us as the showers,  
as 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 early away.
- <sup>5</sup>Therefore I have hewn them by the  
prophets;  
I have slain 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.

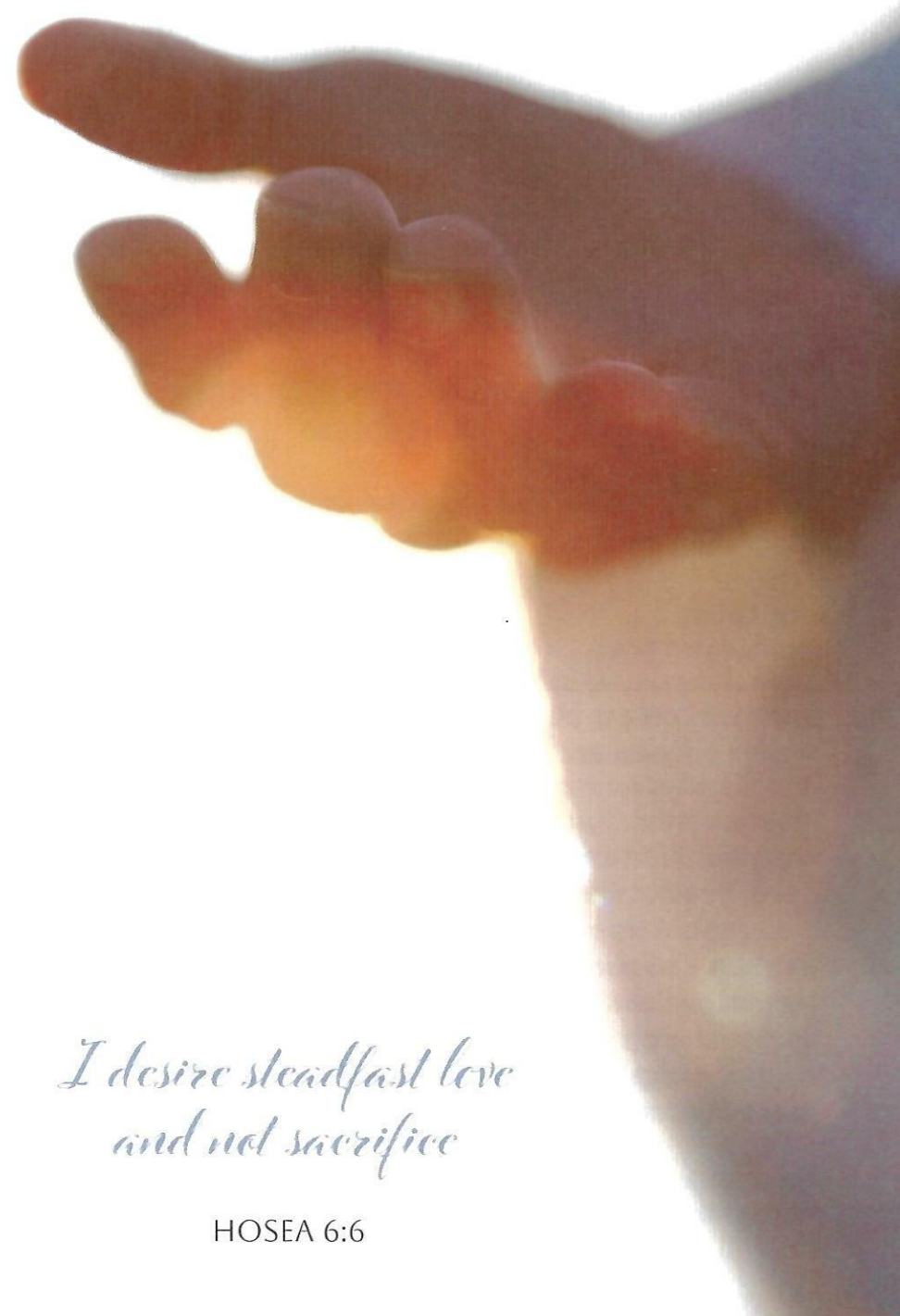
**Epistle: Romans 4:13–25**

<sup>13</sup>The promise to Abraham and his  
offspring that he would be heir of the  
world did not come through the law but  
through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>For if  
it is the adherents of the law who are to be  
the heirs, faith is null and the promise is  
void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where  
there is no law there is no transgression.  
<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in  
order that the promise may rest on grace  
and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not

only to the adherent of the law but also to  
the one who shares the faith of Abraham,  
who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>as it is writ-  
ten, “I have made you the father of many  
nations”—in the presence of the God in  
whom he believed, who gives life to the  
dead and calls into existence the things  
that do not exist. <sup>18</sup>In hope he believed  
against hope, that he should become the  
father of many nations, as he had been  
told, “So shall your offspring be.” <sup>19</sup>He did  
not weaken in faith when he considered  
his own body, which was as good as dead  
(since he was about a hundred years old),  
or when he considered the barrenness of  
Sarah’s womb. <sup>20</sup>No distrust made him  
waver concerning the promise of God, but  
he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory  
to God, <sup>21</sup>fully convinced that God was  
able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup>That  
is why his faith was “counted to him as  
righteousness.” <sup>23</sup>But the words “it was  
counted to him” were not written for his  
sake alone, <sup>24</sup>but for ours also. It will be  
counted to us who believe in him who  
raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, <sup>25</sup>who  
was delivered up for our trespasses and  
raised for our justification.

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 9:9–13**

<sup>9</sup>As Jesus passed on from there, he saw  
a man called Matthew sitting at the tax  
booth, and he said to him, “Follow me.”  
And he rose and followed him.  
<sup>10</sup>And as Jesus reclined at table in the  
house, behold, many tax collectors and  
sinners came and were reclining with Jesus  
and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>And 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 it, 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,  
and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call  
the righteous, but sinners.”



*I desire steadfast love  
and not sacrifice*

HOSEA 6:6



Pentecost

**About the Cover:** The Lord is extending His hand of mercy through the prophet Hosea. Even in the midst of impending judgment, the Lord promises to lift up His people. Christ Jesus has fulfilled this promise by being raised up on the third day, having already passed through God’s judgment against our sin on our behalf. Now, our Lord, in His love, extends His hand to us with the promise that He will raise us up on the Last Day.

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**DIVINE WORSHIP -10AM**

**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JUNE 7, 2026**

**HYMN . . . . . “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty” LSB #901(1-4)  
Divine Service One**

**Invocation**

**Confession & Absolution . . . . . LSB p.151**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will  
forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and  
unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and  
deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not our  
neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and  
eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that  
we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of  
Your Holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake  
forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His

authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  
Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Introit**

Be my rock of refuge,

**A strong fortress to save me.**

How great is Your goodness,

**Which You have stored up for those who fear You,**

Which You bestow in the sight of men

**On those who take refuge in You.**

Love the Lord, all His saints!

**The Lord preserves the faithful, but the proud He pays back in  
full.**

Be strong and take heart,

**All You who hope in the Lord. Glory be to the Father and to the  
Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be forever. Amen.**

**Kyrie, “This is the Feast”, The Salutation & Collect p.152-156.**

**Lessons & The Gospel . . . . . p.157.**

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**HYMN . . . “Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us” #851 (1-4)**

**Sermon**

**Offering**

**Prayers of the Church**

**Service of the Sacrament . . . . . p.160**

**Communion on floor – continuous line**

**Post Communion Collect . . . . p.166**

**Benediction**

**Hymn . . . “Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer” #918**

**Announcements**

**\*If you are visiting with us today please fill out our visitor card  
so that we can inform you of upcoming events or respond to a  
request.**

**\*\*Special Announcement:**

**On July 12<sup>th</sup> we will not meet for our service in person. We will have the service by phone/audio and video. Pastor will do the sermon and Elders and volunteers will lead the other parts of the service. The service will begin at 10am and last about one hour.**

**Phone/audio**

**(773) 799-9405**

**Video**

# SERMON NOTES

**Sermon Title** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Texts** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Main Ideas / Thoughts** \_\_\_\_\_

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**I Want to Remember** \_\_\_\_\_

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**What Response Does God Want?** \_\_\_\_\_

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