

Pentecost 3

June 14, 2026

Third Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 6 (Year A)

Trusting in the Lord for all our needs can be one of the hardest aspects of faith because we are so used to toughing it out for ourselves. But from the beginning, God assured his people that he would take care of his treasured people and provide for their every need if they would just obey his voice. Jesus did the same when he sent his disciples to heal. They were to take nothing extra with them, but to trust in him.



THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE TEXTS

First Reading: Exodus 19:2-8a

Israel: A Holy Nation

Moses was called up to the mountain by God, who had a message for Israel at the foot of the mountain. God told Moses to remind His people of what he had done for them in Egypt, that they are to obey his voice and are his treasured possession. God renewed his covenant with them and declared them a holy nation.

Psalm 100

God is Faithful

The psalmist urged the people to be joyful, for the Lord himself made them his sheep and they belong to him. His goodness and mercy are everlasting and his faithfulness endures forever.

Second Reading: Romans 5:6-15

Christ Died for the Ungodly

God showed his love for us in that even though we were stricken by sin and chained by death, Jesus died on the cross for us, the unworthy. Because through Jesus we have been reconciled to the Father, we can rejoice and be exceedingly glad.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-20)

Laborers are Few

As Jesus made his way around the countryside, he came across many who were in need of healing and compassion. He gathered and cared for them like a Good Shepherd and taught his disciples to do the same. After he called the disciples to follow him, Jesus gave them authority to heal and cast out demons in his name. He instructed them to take nothing with them but to rely on the goodness of those they met along the way. In this way, they learned to trust in God's provision.

Suggestions for the Day:

Liturgical Color: Green

• In Ordinary Time, use either the Kyrie OR the Hymn of Praise.

• Use the Apostles' Creed.

Today is Fathers Day. Give thanks for all who serve as male role models in our lives, not just those who were responsible for our conception and upbringing. Just as God is faithful, we give thanks for all the faithful men who contributed to forming and shaping us as children of God.

Remember in the prayers for today those who labor to support families, communities, and the church. We are all called to work together for God's Kingdom, and that happens in many different ways.

SUGGESTED HYMNS FOR WORSHIP

Hymn Titles:

	LBW	WOV	LSB	ELW	REC	Sola
Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us	481	---	711	789	205	205
God of Our Fathers	567	---	---	---	5	5
Sing to the Lord of the Harvest	412	---	893	694	262	262
Take My Life and Let It Be	406	---	783	685	233	233
What a Friend We Have in Jesus	439	---	770	742	223	223
Be Thou My Vision	---	776	---	793	230	230
Give Me Jesus	---	777	---	770	214	214
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name	328	---	549	634	16	16
Sent Forth By God's Blessing	221	---	643	547	58	58
Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing	259	---	924	545	54	54

The hymns suggestions above can be found in: LBW= Lutheran Book of Worship, WOVS= With One Voice, ELW= Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Augsburg Fortress); LSB= The Lutheran Service Book (Concordia Publishing), REC= The Reclaim Hymnal for Church and Home (ReClaim Resources), and *** means you can find it on SOWeR at "Hymns and Music."

CONTEMPORARY SONGS

Praise Song Titles

Jesus, Friend of Sinners
(CCLI# 6093697)
Father, I Adore You
(CCLI# 26557)
Lord, Send Me
(CCLI# 1565660)
Send Me Out
(CCLI# 5621778)
I Will Follow
(CCLI# 5806878)

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