

BURR OAK – HESPER LUTHERAN PARISH

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Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 2026

8:30am JOINT worship at Hesper

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, whose compassion endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Compassionate God,

C: we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

P: Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

"How Firm a Foundation"

ELW 796

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

KYRIE

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P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father. Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

LISTEN

FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 20:7-13

O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out; I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him and take our revenge on him." But the Lord is with me like a terrifying warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous; you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

R: This is the word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18

⁷ Surely, for your sake I have suffered reproach,
and shame has covered my face.

⁸ I have become a stranger to my own kindred,
an alien to my mother's children.

⁹ Zeal for your house has eaten me up;
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

¹⁰ I humbled myself with fasting,
but that was turned to my reproach.

¹¹ I put on sackcloth also,
and became a byword among them.

¹² Those who sit at the gate murmur against me,
and the drunkards make songs about me.

¹³ But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have set, O Lord:
"In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your unfailing help.

¹⁴ Save me from the mire; do not let me sink;
let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of the deep waters.

¹⁵ Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swallow me up;
do not let the pit shut its mouth upon me.

¹⁶ Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind;
in your great compassion, turn to me.

¹⁷ Hide not your face from your servant;
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.

¹⁸ Draw near to me and redeem me;
because of my enemies deliver me.

SECOND LESSON

Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

R: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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“Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?” You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 10:24-39

The holy gospel according to **Matthew**, the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the twelve:] “A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. “Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord

C: Praise to you, O Christ

Sermon

RESPONSE

HYMN OF THE DAY

“This Is My Father’s World”

ELW 824

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Life-giving God, you have called your people to lose their lives for Jesus' sake. Strengthen your church to follow you in the face of difficulty. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Creator God, you know every sparrow that falls to the ground. Protect migrating birds, endangered species, and their natural habitats. Empower us to care for your creation. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Sovereign God, you call us to act justly and love mercy. Protect those with marginalized identities to whom we have not shown the abounding love of Jesus. Bring an end to oppression and bigotry in all forms. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Sustaining God, you promise to provide for us. Help those living with disability. Comfort those experiencing any sort of illness or suffering. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Empowering God, strengthen us to live out our diverse callings. We pray especially for fathers and father figures, that they show your compassion and care. We pray for all for whom this day is difficult or painful. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Faithful God, we give thanks for saints who have claimed their baptismal promises. May we follow their example of faith and service. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

BLESSING OF DADS

OFFERING/NOISY OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

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Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with your free Spirit.

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P: God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ☩ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"

ELW 413

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Prayer Concerns

Jonathan Allen, Stacy Nelson, Diane & Jason Daft, Trisha Ryan, Gwen Allen, Anthony McCabe,
Kory Courtney, Lorraine Peterson, Kirsten Dejarlais Snell, Diane Eiken, Sue (Hovey) Caputo,
Marcia Fawcett, Steve Headington, Brooke Tweten, Juanita DeLong, Barb Halverson, Leah Barth, Logan McCabe.

Praying for our members in Care Facilities

Pat Perkins, Dean Rasmussen, Dorothy Anderson, Ron Knutson, Marilyn Helland,
Vi Hoffland, Mark Folstad, Don Keefe, Marilyn Newhouse, Harold Stoen.

Please pray for military personnel currently deployed and those below serving stateside, elsewhere or in the reserves:
Mason Falck, Cameron Korsness, Jordan Grecko, Parker Whalen, Dylan Foltz, Wesley Smith & Braden Peterson.

Please also pray for all other soldiers, sailors, airmen, coasties and marines who work to defend us.

Pr. Dave is available to bring communion, visit and offer spiritual care to those in need. Please contact Pr. Dave at 641-220-0205 or call the Parish Office at 563-735-5925 or email info@bohllutheran.org if you or someone you know would like a visit. Please call the Parish office if there is someone you would like included in Prayers or to update their status to help us maintain an accurate Prayer Concerns list.

"BE JESUSY" GRATITUDE PRACTICE FOR JUNE

Remember in prayer those in crisis due to war.

Pray for peace, ethical leaders, and those advocating for justice.

Take cards to Veteran's Hospitals.

TAKE HOME VERSE

**Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer,
and attend to the voice of my supplications.
(psalm 86:6)**

Canoe Ridge Ice Cream Social, June 28, 2026. Serving 11 am - 1 pm. Brats, Hot Dogs, BBQ's, Potato Salad, Calico Beans, Homemade Pie, Ice Cream.

You're Invited!! We would love you to join us for the 50th Annual Laura Ingalls Wilder Celebration Parade on Saturday June 27th, 2026! FIFTY Years ago a group of forward-thinking, Burr Oak neighbors got the Master's Hotel whipped back into shape and started a tradition of celebrating the Ingalls Family and the time they spent in Burr Oak. The sky is the limit! We love to see all sorts of entries at our parade! Floats! Animals! Marching Bands! Classic vehicles! We could run that list on for many paragraphs! The sky is the limit! The parade is FREE of charge and happens at noon on June 27th. Please email us with your questions and we'll get you on the list to join us! Email: nell@kvikradio.com

Noisy Offering for Kid's Lunch Club will be taken TODAY. During the summer months many children lose access to reliable meals they receive during the school year. Kid's Lunch Club responds to this challenge by providing free meals to youth through age 18 when school is out. Kid's Lunch also provides opportunities for youth and family activities. If you would like to help pack lunches or assist with distribution email decorahkidslunchclub@gmail.com or contact Shannon Putnam Dibble at 563-419-6624. You may also sign up online by going to decorahucc.org.

Pr. Dave will be taking a Sabbatical from June 15th to August 17th. During this time our church councils have made arrangements for coverage of worship services. (See the Summer Worship Schedule in the bulletin and newsletter). For pastoral care, funerals, or hospital visits contact Nan in the church office or Lisa. Please keep Pr. Dave in your prayers during this time away for rest and renewal.

Upcoming Summer Worship Schedule

June 21st: 8:30am Joint @ Hesper (Donuts w/ Dad)

June 28th: 10:00 am Ecumenical Services @ Barney's in Burr Oak, during Laura Days

July 5th: 8:30am Joint @ Hesper w/ Holy communion, Pr. Lenth leading

July 12th: 8:30am Joint @ Burr Oak

July 19th: 8:30am Joint @ Burr Oak.

July 26th: 8:30am Joint @ Burr Oak Hymn Sing

Aug 2nd: 8:30am Joint @ Hesper w/ Holy communion, Pr. Bracket leading

Aug 9th: 8:30am Joint @ Hesper

Aug 16th: 9:00 am Ecumenical service in Canton during Canton Day's off.

SAT, Aug 22nd: 7:00 pm - Campfire Worship & Marshmallow Fellowship in Hesper

Aug 23rd: 8:30am Joint @ Hesper

(Blessing of Backpacks & Recognition of EWALU Students)

Aug 30th: 8:30am Joint @ Hesper

Sept 6th: 8:30am Burr Oak w/ Holy communion Fellowship;

10am Hesper w/ Holy communion

Sept 13th: 9:00 am Hesper-Mabel Steam Engine Days Ecumenical Worship.

Sept 20th: 8:30am Burr Oak w/ Holy communion Fellowship;

10am Hesper w/ Holy communion

(acknowledge new confirmation students, 3rd Graders Receiving Bibles & 3yr old enter Wednesday School)

Sept 27th: 8:30am Burr Oak Fellowship; 10am Hesper

Burr Oak Lutheran Church

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS - June 21, 2026

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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Donuts with Dad following worship

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WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

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All are invited to Laura Day's Celebration Ecumenical Worship 10-11

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Greeter(s): Linda Folstad

Reader: Linda Folstad

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Vacation Bible School was held in Burr Oak this past week. Kids had a chance to explore the nature of God through exciting activities in this year's Rain Forest Falls curriculum. Thank you to the teachers, shepherds, meal servers and all others who helped make this a fun and faith-nurturing week for our youth.

Burr Oak & Hesper Members: NEW PICTURE DIRECTORY

The joint councils have decided to do a New Picture Directory on our own. There are drop clothes installed at both churches if you choose to take your photo there. Please submit a family/individual photo of yourself using these backdrops or on your own. As you take them, submit to Nan, church secretary, who will be keeping them until we start compiling the Directory. If you do not have a photo to submit, please still turn in your forms so we can get our membership database updated. **Deadline to get your information in is October 15th, 2026!** You can find the forms in your monthly newsletter or ask Nan, and she can get you a copy.

As you may also know we installed a new software program to keep vital information on our membership list for each church. The new software will be an asset to the overall record keeping for the church. However, the old software program was not up to date, nor did it have complete records, so Nan is creating and updating the information manually. We are requesting **ALL CHURCH MEMBERS** provide the following information to update our records.

Anyone interested in getting professional photos taken for the directory, please reach out to Nichole Hotvedt at 563-419-1524, she will be running a special NOW UNTIL AUGUST for all members.

**Please list all the names in your household including birthdays, *(Please don't include pets)*
for Children, please list their age(s) & birthday date(s) & Grade in school**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Ages/birthdays of children at home will be used for Wednesday school, 1st communion classes, confirmation, graduation, etc. list.

Mailing Address _____

Adult Phone numbers _____

Adult Email address(es) _____

How do you want newsletters received Email OR Mail?

Adult children name(s) _____

Mailing Address(es) _____

Phone number(s) _____

Email address(es) _____

How do they want newsletters received Email OR Mail?

The information on your adult children is helpful as well in completing our church records. Many have gone on in their lives and not provided the office with updated information.

The information collected above will make our membership more accurate and help future committee(s) with contact information. Any questions, please be sure to reach out to a joint council member.

On behalf of the joint councils, **THANK YOU** for taking the time to provide the information.