

Welcome to Edison Lutheran Church

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Choir Sunday Lessons and Anthems

June 7, 2026

10:30 am

Welcome to worship!

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please tune your radio to 98.7 FM or join us for the
livestream via Facebook or our website, elcbow.org.

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Welcome to worship.

If you are a visitor with us, thank you for being here. We invite you to sign our attendance book and the guest book in the Narthex. **Children are welcome** in worship. *Children's bulletins* are available from the ushers. Also, Children's Activity Bags, located in the back of the sanctuary on the right side to use during the service.

◆ indicates the congregation stands as able

Prayer cards are available in the pews. If you have a prayer concern or a thanks that you would like included in the Prayers of the People, fill out the card and ushers will collect them from end of pews after Prayer of the Day.

Gathering

10:25 am Pre-Service Music for meditation and quiet gathering

BELL TOLL

WELCOME AND GREETING

PRELUDE: "Morning Has Broken" - arr. Fred Bock
piano-organ duet

◆ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

AM In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

AM Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

AM Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

AM Gracious God,

C **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare unto you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**



All Verses (1st verse Choir only)



1 O God of bless - ings, all praise to you! Your love sur -
 2 All praise for proph - ets, through grace in - spired to preach and
 3 All praise for mu - sic, deep gift pro - found, through hands and
 4 All praise for Je - sus, best gift di - vine through word and
 5 A bil - lion voic - es in one great song, now soft and



rounds us our whole life through. You are the
 wit - ness with hearts on fire. Your Spir - it
 voic - es in ho - ly sound; the psalms of
 wit - ness, in bread and wine; in - car - nate
 gen - tle, now deep and strong, in ev - 'ry



free - dom of those op - pressed; you are the com - fort of all dis -
 choos - es the weak and small to sing the new reign where might - y
 Da - vid, and Mar - y's praise, in word - less splen - dor and lyr - ic
 love song of bound - less grace, priest, teach - er, proph - et in time and
 cul - ture and style and key, from hill and val - ley, with sky and



tressed. Come now, O ho - ly and wel - come guest:
 fall; with them may we live your gos - pel call:
 phrase, with all cre - a - tion one song we raise:
 space, your stead - fast kind - ness with hu - man face:
 sea, with Christ we praise you e - ter - nal - ly:



So - li De - o glo - ri - a! So - li De - o glo - ri - a!

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◆ 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.

◆ PRAYER OF THE DAY

AM Let us pray ...

God of grace, you have given us minds to know you, hearts to love you, and voices to sing your praise. Fill us with your Spirit, that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and truth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

(Please be seated)

(Please pass prayer cards to the aisle.)

ANTHEM ONE

"All Good Gifts"

- Natalie Sleeth

LESSON

Psalm 100

¹ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

² Serve the LORD with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.

³ Know that the Lord is God.

It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him; bless his name.

⁵ for the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever
and his faithfulness to all generations.

L Word of God. Word of Life. **C Thanks be to God.**

Introduction

In September, we began our choir year with All Good Gifts, proclaiming that all that we have has been given by our gracious Creator, and that these gifts are given to be used for the good of the whole creation. As the Psalm proclaims: "It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture."

"All Good Gifts"

On this day of days, join in grateful praise that will sound from shore to shore,
And for blessings all, whether great or small, offer thanks forevermore!

REFRAIN: All good gifts cometh from the Lord, cometh from the Lord in great array!
All good gifts cometh from the Lord, cometh from the Lord God day by day!

Special gifts have we in variety, by the Spirit's grace inspired;
But to all so blest shall be put the test, for of them is much required!

REFRAIN

Let ev'ry heart anew prepare through all the world their gifts to share,
In praise to God who reigns on high to bring the heav'nly kingdom nigh!
Let those who will, glad anthems sing, or words of healing comfort bring;
Let others preach or prophesy, the Lord our God to magnify!
Let your light so shine, use your gifts divine, that wherever you may go,
you reflect the love of the Lord above in abundance here below!

REFRAIN

Many gifts we are given from the time of our birth by the Lord our God who
ruleth o'er the earth;
Great joy ever after shall be our true reward if we use our talents to serve the Lord!

ANTHEM TWO

"Baptized and Set Free"

- Cathy Skogen-Soldner, arr. John Helgen

LESSON

Romans 6:3-14

³ Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ 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.

⁵ 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. ⁶ 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. ⁷ For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸ But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal bodies, so that you obey their desires. ¹³ No longer present your members to sin as instruments of unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

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Introduction

In October, we celebrated the gift of Holy Baptism and the freedom we receive in this promise. Having been buried with Christ in the waters of Baptism, we are raised to a new life lived each day in the spacious freedom of God's presence. As Paul writes: "Sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace."

“Baptized and Set Free”

- 1 We are people created,
chosen by God.
Then we're washed, ever gently,
in mercy and love.
Sin has power no more.
Jesus opened the door
to a fountain bringing healing,
and wholeness and more.
- 2 We are fed and we're nourished,
filled and refreshed.
Then our hunger returns and
again we are blessed.
For whatever the need,
God is greater indeed:
endless ocean, always deeper
than all of our need.
- 3 We are nourished by water,
all living things,
and by life that the Spirit
abundantly brings.
As we journey toward home,
may your presence be known:
precious river, ever-flowing,
now carry us home.
- 4 Now with praise and thanksgiving,
we join the song.
All are welcome! We gather
to sing loud and strong.
Not enslaved, but set free!
From now on, all will be
one in Jesus, one in water,
baptized and set free!

Text: Cathy Skogen-Soldner, b. 1956
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ANTHEM THREE "Now the Heavens Start to Whisper"
- Mary Louise Bringle / arr. Thomas Keesecker

LESSON

Isaiah 11:1-5

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

² The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

³ His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see
or decide by what his ears hear,

⁴ but with righteousness he shall judge for the poor
and decide with equity for the oppressed of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

⁵ Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

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Introduction

In the rain and cold of Advent, we looked ahead to the coming of Christmas and the promise of Christ's quiet entrance into the world. In the midst of dreary weather and dispiriting news stories, we gathered around the warmth of Jesus born for us, the shoot of new life which emerges from the hopeless stump of Jesse's lineage.

"Now the Heavens Start to Whisper"

- 1 Now the heavens start to whisper,
as the veil is growing thin.
Earth from slumber wakes to listen
to the stirring, faint within:
seed of promise, deeply planted,
child to spring from Jesse's stem!
Like the soil beneath the frostline,
hearts grow soft to welcome him.
- 2 Heavy clouds that block the moonlight
now begin to drift away.
Diamond brilliance through the darkness
shines the hope of coming day.
Christ, the morning star of splendor,
gleams within a world grown dim.
Heaven's ember fans to fullness;
hearts grow warm to welcome him.
- 3 Christ, eternal Sun of justice,
Christ, the rose of wisdom's seed,
come to bless with fire and fragrance
hours of yearning, hurt, and need.
In the lonely, in the stranger,
in the outcast, hid from view;
Child who comes to grace the manger,
teach our hearts to welcome you.



ANTHEM FOUR "This Little Light of Mine" - arr. John Helgen

LESSON Matthew 5:14-16

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

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Introduction

In February, in the time between Epiphany and Transfiguration, we sang with joy of the light which first shines in Jesus and now also shines in us. Enlightened by the Holy Spirit, we let our light shine, bearing witness to our Father in heaven by the good works set before us.

"This Little Light of Mine"

1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
2. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.
3. Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine.

ANTHEM FIVE "There Is a Balm in Gilead" - William L. Dawson

Solo: John Guthridge

LESSON Jeremiah 8:18-22

¹⁸ My joy is gone; grief is upon me;
my heart is sick.

¹⁹ Listen! The cry of the daughter of my people
from far and wide in the land:

"Is the LORD not in Zion?
Is her King not in her?"

("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images,
with their foreign idols?")

²⁰ "The harvest is past, the summer is ended,
and we are not saved."

²¹ For the brokenness of the daughter of my people I am broken,
I mourn, and horror has seized me.

²² Is there no balm in Gilead?
Is there no physician there?

Why then has the health of the daughter of my people
not been restored?

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Introduction

During the solemn season of Lent, we sang the heartfelt African-American Spiritual "There is a Balm in Gilead." In it, we answer the sorrowful question posed by Jeremiah as he laments the devastation of his people: "Is there no balm in Gilead?" In faith, we answer Jeremiah: "There is a Balm in Gilead, to heal the sin-sick soul."

"There is a balm in Gilead"

REFRAIN:

There is a balm in Gilead, to make the wounded whole,
There is a balm in Gilead, to heal the sinsick soul.

1. Sometimes I feel discouraged, And think my works in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. REFRAIN
2. If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus, and say "He died for all." REFRAIN



ANTHEM SIX "O Sacred Head now Wounded"

Choral Setting, Joel Raney

Violin: David Benson

LESSON

Mark 15:16-20

¹⁶ Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters), and they called together the whole cohort. ¹⁷ And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and after twisting some thorns into a crown they put it on him. ¹⁸ And they began saluting him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ¹⁹ They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. ²⁰ After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

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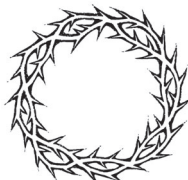
Introduction

In Holy Week, we bore witness to the love of God revealed in Christ's going to the cross for our sake. In this gory spectacle is hidden a particular glory, for here God confronts the depth of our sin and defeats it on our behalf.

"O Sacred Head now Wounded"

O sacred head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down,
now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown;
O sacred head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine!
yet though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend,
for this, thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
Oh, make me thine forever, and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.



ANTHEM SEVEN "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" - arr. Ed Lojeski

LESSON

Revelations 21:1-4

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them and be their God;

⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

L Word of God. Word of Life. C Thanks be to God.



Introduction

Finally, during the season of Easter, we rejoiced in our close relationship with Jesus risen from the grave. As he walks alongside us in our journey, sharing our burdens and holding us safely through our toils and snares, we experience the first fruits of eternity, when God will wipe every tear from our eyes.

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"

Refrain

Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;
daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

- 1 I am weak but thou art strong:
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long
as I walk, let me walk close to thee. *Refrain*

- 2 Through this world of toil and snares,
if I falter, Lord, who cares?
Who with me my burden shares?
None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Refrain*

- 3 When journey is o'er,
time for me will be no more;
guide me to thy distant shore;
to thy shore, Dear Lord, to thy shore. *Refrain*

◆ HYMN OF THE DAY

"When in Our Music God Is Glorified"

ELW 851

All Verses



1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, and ad - o -
2 How oft, in mak - ing mu - sic, we have found a new di -
3 So has the church, in lit - ur - gy and song, in faith and
4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night when ut - most
5 Let ev - 'ry in - stru - ment be tuned for praise; let all re -



ra - tion leaves no room for pride, it is as
men - sion in the world of sound, as wor - ship
love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, borne wit - ness
e - vil strove a - gainst the light? Then let us
joice who have a voice to raise; and may God

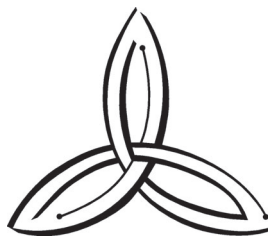


though the whole cre - a - tion cried:
moved us to a more pro - found
to the truth in ev - 'ry tongue: Al - le - lu - ia!
sing, for whom he won the fight:
give us faith to sing al - ways:

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Music: ENGELBERG, Charles V. Stanford, 1852–1924

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◆ APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Amen.

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use.



◆ PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(after each petition the following response is read)

AM God of grace, **C** hear our prayer.

◆ THE PEACE IS SHARED

AM The peace of the Lord be with you all. **C And also with you.**

*The peace is shared with one another with the words,
“The peace of the Lord,” or similar words.*

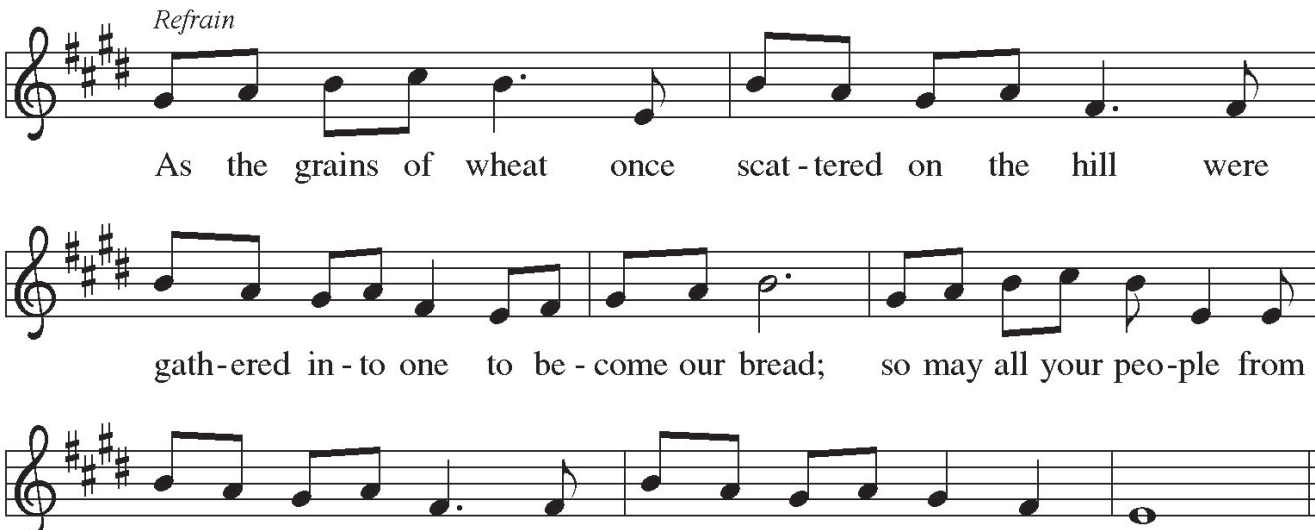
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OFFERTORY “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” (excerpt)
Ludwig van Beethoven/arr. Hal H. Hopson
Congregation remains seated while offering is collected.

◆ **OFFERTORY HYMN** “As The Grains of Wheat” **ELW 465**

Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from
all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

◆ THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray.

C Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

◆ THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

AM Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

C we give you thanks and praise.

AM By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

C we give you thanks and praise.

AM Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

C we give you thanks and praise.

AM Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Choral Anthem

- Albert Hay Malotte / arr. Peter Blau Ormsby



Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to our High School Seniors!

Jerry Benson, Addi Caldwell, Karson Englund, Alana Rebar,
Reese Tyler and Alex Ilagan

C O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give these graduates faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where they go, but only that your hand is leading them and your love supporting them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

◆ BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

◆ SENDING HYMN

“Let All Things Now Living”

ELW 881

All Verses



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing to
2 God rules all the forc - es: the stars in their cours-es and



God the cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise,
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us, who
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains, the



still guides us on to the end of our days.
deeps of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us, God's light goes be -
We too should be voic - ing our love and re -



fore us, a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night,
joic - ing; with glad ad - o - ra - tion a song let us raise



till shad - ows have van - ished and dark - ness is ban - ished, as
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing: “To



for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!”

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◆SENDING

AM Go in peace. Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God.

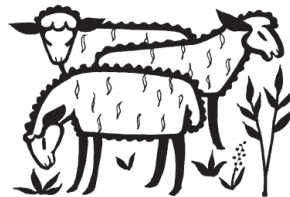
POSTLUDE "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" (excerpt)

- arr. Dale Wood



Thank you to all who serve in worship!

	Serving Sunday June 7	Serving Next Sunday June 14
Presiding Minister	Pastor John Guthridge	Pastor John Guthridge
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Greeters	Glenda & Keith Gundersen	Christie Peterson Terri Olsen
Ushers	Jon Aarstad Stephanie Knutzen	Keith Peterson Nancy Nygren
Altar Guild	Terri Olsen Amber Lagerlund	Amber Lagerlund Janet Wyman
Fellowship Hosts	Don Witten Jenny Sheahan & Elsie Lee Judy Sheahan	Anne & Bob Kuntz Glory Steele Linda Mark Johnson
Flowers	Bruce & Debbie Lisser	Darrel & Christy Johnson
Council Member of the Day	Jon Aarstad	Jim Zielinski



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Edison Lutheran Church - Welcoming.....Nurturing.....Serving



Scripture Readings for next Sunday, June 14th, are:

Exodus 19:2-8a Psalm 100 Romans 5:1-8 Matthew 9:35—10:8-23

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