

"You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem ...



and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 1:8, NRSV



FAMILY OF GOD

LUTHERAN CHURCH

"Children by grace,
Extending Christ's embrace"

Pentecost
May 24th, 2026
9:30 am

Today we worship with the liturgy from
Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW) setting three

Gather

Prelude

"Beach Spring "

arr. Lorie Line

Welcome

*Opening Hymn

"Spirit of God, Descend upon my heart"

ELW 800

1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;
4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love,

wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;
no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame:



stoop to my weak-ness, strength to me im-part,
 no an-gel vis-i-tant, no op-'ning skies;
 I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling.
 the bap-tism of the heav'n-de-scend-ed dove,
 and make me love you as I ought to love.
 but take the dim-ness of my soul a-way.
 Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!
 my heart an al-tar, and your love the flame.

Text: George Croly, 1780–1860
 Music: Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841–1897

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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.

*Hymn of Praise

"This is the Feast"



Refrain § 140
 This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb

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who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich-es, wis - dom, and

strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: O God,

C: on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgement in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Young Persons' Message

Pastor Paul Burow

Word

First Reading

Acts 2:1-21

1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.⁵Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem.⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?"⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews

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and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning.

¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



Psalms

104:24-35

P: ²⁴How manifold are your | works, O Lord!

C: In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full | of your creatures.

P: ²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too man- | y to number,

C: Living things both | small and great.

P: ²⁶There go the ships | to and fro,

C: And Leviathan, which you made for the | sport of it.

P: ²⁷All of them | look to you

C: To give them their food | in due season.

P: ²⁸You give it to them; they | gather it;

C: You open your hand, and they are filled | with good things.

P: ²⁹When you hide your face, | they are terrified;

C: When you take away their breath, they die and return | to their dust.

P: ³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they

| are created;

C: And so you renew the face | of the earth.

P: ³¹May the glory of the Lord en- | dure forever;

C: O Lord, rejoice in | all your works.

P: ³²You look at the earth | and it trembles;

C: You touch the mountains | and they smoke.

P: ³³I will sing to the Lord as long | as I live;

C: I will praise my God while I | have my being.

P: ³⁴May these words of | mine please God.

C: I will rejoice | in the Lord.

P: ³⁵Let sinners be consumed from the earth and the wicked | be no more.

C: Bless the Lord, O my soul. | Hallelujah!

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

3 (b) No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

4 Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, 5 and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

12 For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. 13 For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

P: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel Announcement

P: The Holy Gospel according to John the 20th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel

John 20:19-23

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." 22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Pastor Paul Burow

*Hymn of the Day

"Loving Spirit"

ELW 397

1 Lov - ing Spir - it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be—
2 Like a moth - er you en - fold me, hold my life with - in your own,
3 Like a fa - ther you pro - tect me, teach me the dis - cern - ing eye,
4 Friend and lov - er, in your close - ness I am known and held and blessed:
5 Lov - ing Spir - it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be—

you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.
feed me with your ver - y bod - y, form me of your flesh and bone.
hoist me up up - on your shoul - der, let me see the world from high.
in your prom - ise is my com - fort, in your pres - ence I may rest.
you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.

The musical score consists of two systems. The first system has a vocal line in treble clef and a bass line in bass clef. The second system also has a vocal line in treble clef and a bass line in bass clef. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4.

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Music: W. Walker, *Southern Harmony*, 1835; arr. hymnal version
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RESTORATION
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*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 The People

P: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

P: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

*Peace

P: The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Holy Communion

Offering

"Spirit of Gentleness"

ELW 396

Refrain

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen-tle-ness, blow through the wil-der-ness

call-ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest-less-ness,

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stir me from plac-id-ness, wind, wind on the sea.

I You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,

then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;

and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:

Refrain

"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."

Text: James K. Manley, b. 1940
 Music: James K. Manley
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*Offertory Response

"Be Not Afraid"
 Sing 2 times

ELW 388

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

Be not a-fraid, sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

*Offertory Prayer

P: Risen Lord, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

C: Amen.

*Great Thanksgiving



§ 144a

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

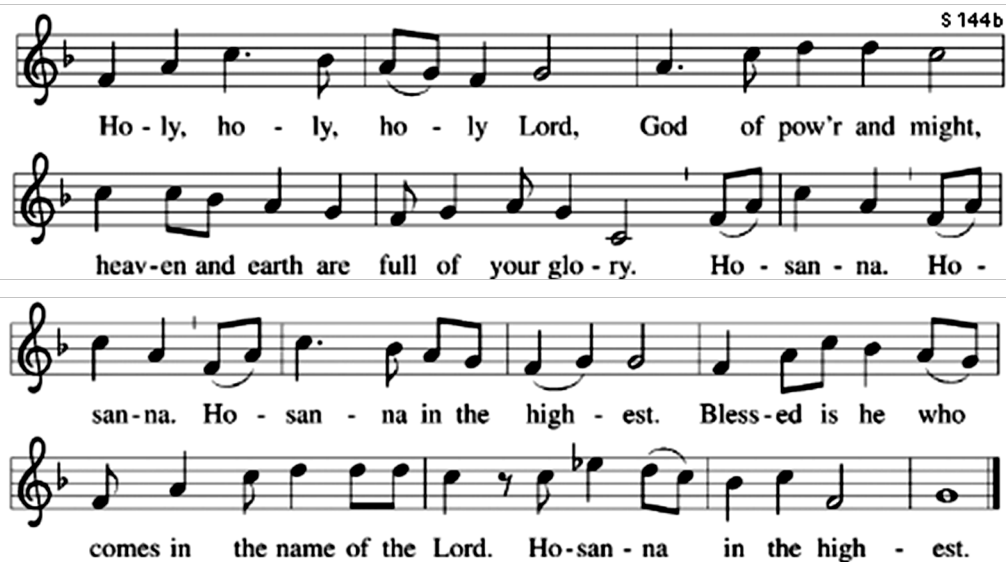
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*Sanctus



§ 144b

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

*Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

*Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion

§ 146

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

Communion Distribution

Communion Hymn

"O Holy Spirit, Root of Life"

ELW 399

1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, root of life, cre -
2 E - ter - nal vig - or, Sav - ing One, you
3 O ho - ly Wis - dom, soar - ing pow'r, en -

a - tor, cleans - er of all things: a - noint our wounds, a -
free us by your liv - ing Word, be - com - ing flesh to
com - pass us with wings un - furled, and car - ry us, en -

wak - en us with lus - trous move - ment of your wings.
wear our pain, and all cre - a - tion is re - stored.
cir - cling all a - bove, be - low, and through the world.

Text: Jean Janzen, b. 1933; based on Hildegard of Bingen, 1098–1179
Music: European tune; adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621; arr. hymnal version
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P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

Sending

Ministry Opportunities

Blessing

P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of hope and fire † bless you now and always.

C: Amen.

*Sending Hymn

“God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind”

ELW 400

1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen - te -
2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's

cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser-vice,
 let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
 for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
 may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
 kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
 make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
 claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!



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 Music: John Hughes, 1873-1932
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*Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

"Like a River Glorious"

arr. Chris Rice

Today's Worship Participants

Lector: Ali O'Mara

Chancel flowers

K. Rosenberg

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IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Tom Anderson

The Loos family as they grieve David's father

Jack Umland

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR*

Connie Young

Gen Loberg

Connie Anderson, for health concerns

Alan Aleckson, who is still recovering from surgery at home

Janice McFadden, for health concerns

*Those on the prayer list will be named for 4 weeks in the bulletin. If you wish to have someone named longer, please notify us and we will extend them on the prayer list for another four weeks. We appreciate updates on all those for whom we pray. Thank you for your prayers.

Announcements

The New Church Website is coming along and we need pictures! If you have any *church related* pictures please send them to the admin email address.

Quarterly Donation Statements will be available upon request. Call or email the church office to arrange delivery.

Vacation Bible Study registration is now open! From Monday June 15 to Thursday June 18 we'll be going on a "Tropical Trek" There is no cost to sign up and it's open to all kids, from preschool age to middle school. Ask Pr. Erin if you have questions! You can register on our website. Sign up to volunteer in the narthex.

Social Ministry—For May we will be helping North Hennepin Community College food pantry. Due to recent SNAP Benefit changes, they are expecting higher usage. Their current needs are:

Meal options such as macaroni & cheese, ravioli, soup & peanut butter & jelly Personal hygiene items like shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, hand soap Household items: toilet paper, Lysol wipes, dishwasher soap & laundry detergent

Church Basement Ladies, A Second Helping Join Ruth Circle once again as we check in on the Church Basement Ladies. Sunday, August 16, 2:00pm performance of A Second Helping at the Plymouth Playhouse. The cost is \$44.10/ticket, note in the comment line CBL. Or contact Stephanie Statz for electronic payment, stephstatz24@gmail.com Sign up is in the Narthex, we have 25 tickets reserved. We can get more if needed, one name per line.

RIC Committee—our kickoff is Sunday May 31 after worship. Thank you to those who signed up! Talk to Pr. Paul or Pr. Erin if you have questions.

Family of God Memorial Garden—We wish to apologize to the Ladies' Book Club and Phillip Haywood and family for omitting mention of paver for Lorelei Haywood in the dedication handout



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The Third Article: On Being Made Holy

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.

What is this? Or What does this mean?

I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, just as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.



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