

Sunday, June 8, 2025

Pentecost

Holy Communion

\* stand +kneel

## **GATHERING**

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*The Holy Spirit calls us together as people of God.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE** Spirit Of God, Descend Upon My Heart Frederick C. Atkinson setting by Don Hustad

### **\*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.*

P- In the name of the Father,  
and of the ✝ Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C- Amen.**

P- Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,  
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.  
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

*Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister gives thanks.*

P- We give you thanks, O God,  
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters  
and by your Word you created the world,  
calling forth life in which you took delight.

P- Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.  
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.  
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.  
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,  
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

P= We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,

and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.  
Shower us with your Spirit,  
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise  
through Jesus Christ our Lord  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.  
**C- Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG** *Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading: Njoo kwetu, Roho mwema* (ELW 401)

# Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading



|   |                          |                          |                                  |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
|   | <i>Njo - o kwe - tu,</i> | <i>Ro - ho mwe - ma,</i> | <i>M - fa - ri - ji we - tu.</i> |
| 1 | Gra - cious Spir - it,   | heed our plead - ing,    | fash - ion us all a - new.       |
| 2 | Come to teach us,        | come to nour - ish       | those who be - lieve in Christ.  |
| 3 | Guide our think - ing    | and our speak - ing      | done in your ho - ly name.       |



Tu - fu - ndi - she      ya mbi - ngu - ni,      tu - we wa - tu wa - pya.  
It's your lead - ing      that we're need - ing,      help us to fol - low you.  
Bless the faith - ful,      may they flour - ish,      strength - ened by grace un - priced.  
Mo - ti - vate all      in their seek - ing,      free - ing from guilt and shame.

*Refrain*



*Njo* - *o*,            *njo* - *o*,            *njo* - *o*,    *Ro-ho mwe* - *ma*.  
Come,            come,            come, Ho - ly Spir - it,            come.



*Njo - o,                      njo - o,                      njo - o,      Ro-ho   mwe - ma.*  
Come,                      come,                      come, Ho - ly Spir - it,                      come.

4 Not mere knowledge, but discernment,  
nor rootless liberty;  
turn disquiet to contentment,  
doubt into certainty. *Refrain*

5 Keep us fervent in our witness,  
unswayed by earth's allure.  
Ever grant us zealous fitness,  
which you alone assure. *Refrain*

Text: Wilson Niwagila; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

Music: NJOOKWETU, ROHO MWEMA, Wilson Niwagila

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## GREETING (ELW p. 138)

*During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.*

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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

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

Lord, have mer - cy.

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.

Lord, have mer - cy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 139)

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

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

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**

*The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day.*

Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

P- God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C- Amen.**

*The assembly is seated.*

## **WORD**

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*God speaks to us in scripture, reading, preaching, and song.*

### **FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21**

*Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, amid signs of fire, wind, and a variety of languages, the people were amazed and astonished at Jesus' promise coming true.*

<sup>1</sup> When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup> Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup> Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup> All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup> Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

- <sup>17</sup> ‘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.  
<sup>18</sup> Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.  
<sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.  
<sup>20</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.  
<sup>21</sup> Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’ ”

*The reading may be concluded:*

Word of God, word of life.

*The assembly responds:*

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b**

- <sup>24</sup> How manifold are your works, O LORD!  
In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.  
<sup>25</sup> **Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number,  
living things both small and great.**  
<sup>26</sup> There go the ships to and fro,  
and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.  
<sup>27</sup> **All of them look to you  
to give them their food in due season.**  
<sup>28</sup> You give it to them; they gather it;  
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.  
<sup>29</sup> **When you hide your face, they are terrified;  
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**  
<sup>30</sup> You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;  
and so you renew the face of the earth.  
<sup>31</sup> **May the glory of the LORD endure forever;  
O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**  
<sup>32</sup> You look at the earth and it trembles;

you touch the mountains and they smoke.

<sup>33</sup> **I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;  
I will praise my God while I have my being.**

<sup>34</sup> May these words of mine please God.  
I will rejoice in the LORD.

<sup>35b</sup> **Bless the LORD, O my soul.  
Hallelujah!**

#### **SECOND READING: Romans 8:14-17**

*Here Paul speaks about the mystery of baptism: through the Holy Spirit we are claimed, gathered, and welcomed into Christ's body, the church. And we receive a new name in our adoption: child of God.*

<sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup> it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

*The reading may be concluded:*

Word of God, word of life.

*The assembly responds:*

**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 John 14:8-17 [25-27]**

*Though the disciples struggle with Jesus' nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God's mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promises the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.*

*The gospel is announced.*

The holy gospel according to John the 14<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

P- <sup>8</sup> Philip said to [Jesus,] “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.”

<sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? <sup>10</sup> Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup> Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;

but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup> Very truly, I

tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact,

will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> I will do

whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

<sup>15</sup> “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup> This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [

<sup>25</sup> “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.”]

*The gospel concludes:*

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

*The assembly is seated.*

*Silence for reflection follows the sermon.*

**HYMN OF THE DAY *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling* (ELW 582)**

## Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



1 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er dwell-ing in the ho-liest realms of light;  
 2 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er liv-ing as the church's ver-y life;  
 3 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er work-ing through the church's min-is-try;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er brood-ing o'er a world of gloom and night;  
 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er striv-ing through us in a cease-less strife;  
 quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab-solv-ing, set-ting cap-tive sin-ners free;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er rais-ing those of earth to thrones on high;  
 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er form-ing in the church the mind of Christ:  
 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er bind-ing age to age and soul to soul



liv-ing, life-im-part-ing Spir-it, you we praise and mag-ni-fy.  
 you we praise with end-less wor-ship for your gifts and fruits un-priced.  
 in com-mu-nion nev-er end-ing, you we wor-ship and ex-tol.

Text: Timothy Rees, 1874–1939, alt.

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

### PRESENTATION OF CONFIRMAND

*The presiding minister addresses the assembly with these words.*

P- Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for Emma Fessler, Kolton Platt, and Grayson Rollman one with us in the body of Christ, who are making public affirmation of their baptism.

*The presiding minister may continue:*

P- Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you

for these confirmands,  
whom you have made your own  
by water and the Word in baptism.  
You have called them to yourself,  
enlightened them  
with the gifts of your Spirit,  
and nourished them  
in the community of faith.  
Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism,  
and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth.  
We ask this in the name of Christ.  
**C- Amen.**

### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

*The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism.*

P- I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus,  
reject sin and confess the faith of the church.

P- Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

*Response:*

I renounce them.

P- Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

*Response:*

I renounce them.

P- Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

*Response:*

I renounce them.

*The presiding minister addresses the confirmands:*

P- Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P- Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

P- Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

*The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism.*

P- You have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant

God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,  
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,  
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,  
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,  
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

*Each person responds:*

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

*The minister addresses the assembly.*

P- People of God, do you promise to support these brothers and sister and pray for them in their life in Christ?

**C- We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

*Those making affirmation may kneel. The presiding minister prays for God's blessing.*

P- Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

*The blessing is repeated for each person. The minister may lay both hands on the head of the person and say:*

P- Stir up in  
the gift of your Holy Spirit:  
the spirit of wisdom  
and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge  
and the fear of the Lord,  
the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.  
**C- Amen.**

*Those making public affirmation stand and face the assembly*

P- Let us rejoice with these brothers and sister in Christ.

**C- We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.**

**Together we will give thanks and praise to God  
and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

*The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.*

P- God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

P- We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional, and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God.

**C- Your mercy is great.**

P- We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in habitats where it's needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies, and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God.

**C- Your mercy is great.**

P- We pray for courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts, and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. Unite judges, lawyers, and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God.

**C- Your mercy is great.**

P- We pray for the sick in body, mind, or spirit (*especially*). Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God.

**C- Your mercy is great.**

P- We pray for this congregation (*especially those affirming their baptism this day*). Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God.

**C- Your mercy is great.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

P- We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. Hear us, O God.

**C- Your mercy is great.**

P- We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

**C- Amen.**

## **PEACE**

*The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.*

P- The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C- And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.*

*The assembly is seated.*

## **MEAL**

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*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

## **OFFERING At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing (ELW 362)**

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing  
praise to our victorious king,  
who has washed us in the tide  
flowing from his wounded side. Alleluia!

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

*After the table is set, the assisting minister may lead one of the following or a similar prayer.*

Let us pray.

P- Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C- Amen.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

### **DIALOGUE SPOKEN**

P- The Lord be with you.

**C- And also with you.**

P- Lift up your hearts.

**C- We lift them to the Lord.**

P- Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

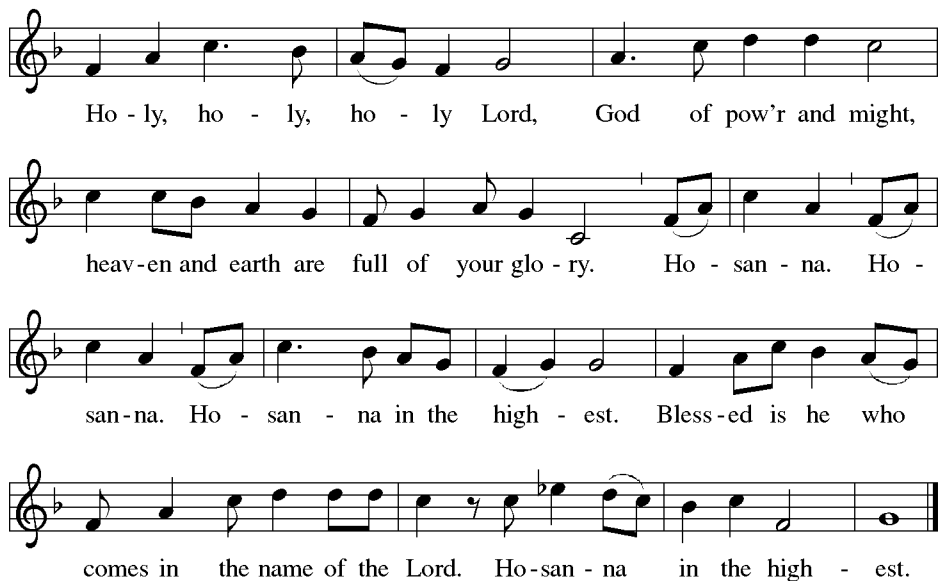
**C- It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### **PREFACE**

P- It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
that we should at all times and in all places  
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,  
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;  
who in dying has destroyed death,  
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,  
with earth and sea and all their creatures,  
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

### **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**



## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P- Holy, living, and loving God,  
we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth.  
We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood,  
for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery,  
and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer.  
We give you thanks for Jesus  
who, living among us,  
healed the sick,  
fed the hungry,  
and with a love stronger than death,  
gave his life for others.  
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.

Remembering, therefore,  
his life-giving death and glorious resurrection,  
we await your promised life for all this dying world.  
Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup:  
carry us in your arms from death to life,  
that we may live as your chosen ones,  
clothed in the righteousness of Christ.  
Through him all glory and honor is yours,  
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church,  
both now and forever.  
**C- Amen**

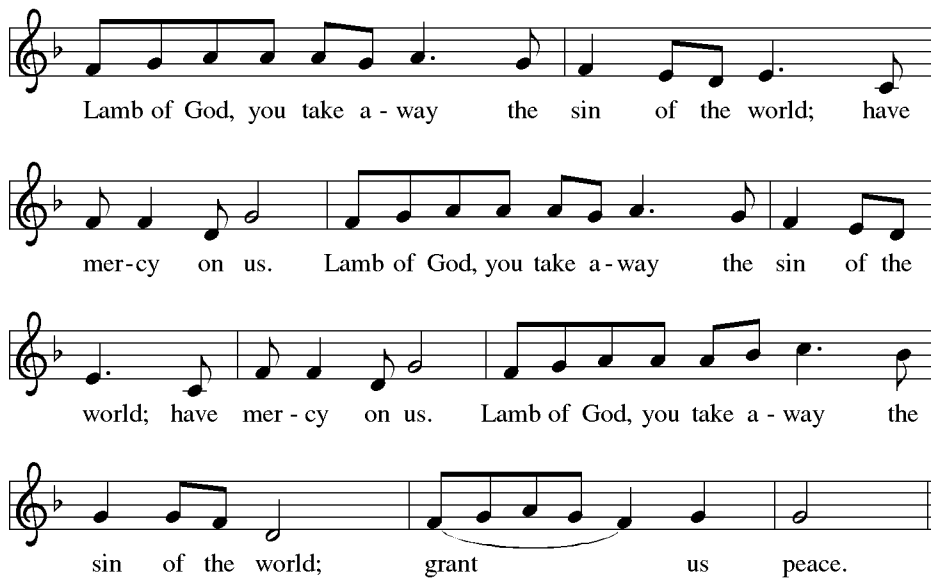
#### **ALL\_ LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P- Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

#### **\*COMMUNION SONG**



## COMMUNION

*When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say*

P- The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*and each person may respond*

Amen.

*The ministers commune either after or before others commune.*

## \*TABLE BLESSING

*The presiding minister says a table blessing, and the assembly responds*

P- The body and blood of our Lord

Jesus Christ strengthen you

and keep you in his grace.

**C- Amen.**

## \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*The assisting minister leads one of the following or a similar prayer after communion.*

Let us pray.

P- Living One,

in this feast you have made yourself known to us.

Send us now to tell of your wonders,

sing of your glory,

and proclaim your risen life

to a wounded and weary world.

**C- Amen.**

**SENDING**

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*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

**BLESSING**

P- The triune God,  
who was, who is, and who is to come,  
Sovereign, ✝ Savior, and Spirit,  
light your way with resurrection dawn,  
now and always.

**C- Amen.**

**SENDING SONG** *God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind* (ELW 400)

## God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind



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: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

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### DISMISSAL

P- Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C- Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** Love Devine, All Loves Excelling John Zundel setting by Joel Raney

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Two vases of altar flowers are placed in honor of the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of John and Betty Strauch Presented by their Loving Family.

Two flower arrangements on altar are in honor of confirmands, Kolton Platt and Grayson Rollman by grandparents, Glenn and Helen Miller.

**Important** Please sign the Friendship Register in your pew. Members with a change of address or visitors should complete the address section and telephone number. Visitors should also include the name and address of their home church so your home church can be notified that you received communion.

**Prayer Requests** – Please email or call the church office with your prayer requests. First names only will be used in our worship service that is livestreamed. You may give names to the person leading service prior to start of service.

**Pastoral Coverage** –Please call Linda in the Church Office with your request. If you and/or a family member are ill at home and not able to attend church, please contact the church office so that Pastor Marie can bring communion to your home.

**Reminder: Hospital visits** -The church is NOT informed when someone is in the hospital by the hospital. The person hospitalized or a family member must call the church to let us know they want a pastoral visit. If leaving a message on the answering machine, please remember to leave the hospital name and the room number. Some hospitals will not give the room number to a visitor, expecting you to know that.

**Attendance June 1, 2025 35 in person**, no live streaming.

On the first weekend of every month there will be a donation collected for Helping Harvest. This organization has put food trucks in areas to help the needy in place of the Pottsville Soup Kitchen after they closed.

The Jolly Quilters are asking for donations of full, queen or king size sheets in good condition or new to use as backing for quilts.

We are combining Vacation Bible School with St Paul's UCC again this year. The theme will be - "True North, Trusting Jesus in a Wild world" and will be held June 16-20 from 6:00 to 8:30pm at St Paul's UCC for ages 4 to 12. There are registration forms on the table in the narthex. Please complete and return to Debbie Hummel or place in the Christian Ed box downstairs. If anyone would like to help (in any way) please let Debbie know.

Today we celebrate with the following confirmands and their families, Kolton Alenn Platt, Grayson Bryce Rollman and Emma Fessler. Congratulations on your latest milestone.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

June 8 Last day for paper products

June 16-20 VBS combined with St. Paul's UCC.

### **STATISTICAL SUMMARY FROM LAST WEEK:**

|                              |                         |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Synod/ELCA Benevolence       | \$27.00                 |
| Local Benevolence            | \$75.00                 |
| Current                      | \$1069.30               |
| Plate Offering               | \$2.00                  |
| <b><u>Total Received</u></b> | <b><u>\$1173.30</u></b> |

**The 2025 Weekly giving needed for budget is \$3,166.75.**

### **"THE WEEK AT A GLANCE"**

**Today:** 9 am Worship Service

**Next Sunday:** 9 am Worship Service

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

Mon: Psalm 48 Joel 2:18-29 1 Corinthians 2:1-11

Tues: Psalm 48 Ezekiel 11:14-25 1 Corinthians 2:12-16

Wed: Psalm 48 Numbers 24:1-14 Luke 1:26-38

Thu: Psalm 8 Proverbs 3:13-18 Ephesians 1:17-19

Fri Psalm 8 Proverbs 3:19-26 Ephesians 4:1-6

Sat :Psalm 48 Proverbs 4:1-9 Luke 2:41-52

### **ASSISTING AT WORSHIP**

**Greeter: 9 am Jeff Freeman**

**Acolyte: 9 am Tobias Lileck**

**Lector: 9 am Michael Ziegler**

**Ushers: 9 am Brian Staller**

**Counting Team: Jeff Freeman, Matt P**

**Communion Assistants: Jeff Freeman**

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Beenick, Brittany & Joshua Gallagher, Shawnette Keller, Neida Hayes, Helen Miller, Sheila Tryon, Sallie Ann Sandler, Betty Fromm Yarnell, Kermit Snyder, Joseph and Linda Catizone, Don MacIntyre, Maxine Vanst, Christopher Tokarick, and Robert & Joyce Zeledonis. Those serving in the military: Brandon Felty, Karen Hall, Tyler Weller, Edward Hossler, Nick Lentz, Jake Schaeffer, Scott Aungst, Tyler Wolfe, Michael Hamilton, Kristian Svenson, Mark Weinus, Jr., Justin Weller, Jeremy Weaver, Cameron Lutz, Stephanie Boyer, Mitchell Moore, Timothy Bast, and Ryan Bast.