

**May 24, 2026**

Pentecost

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SHARING OF THE PEACE

L: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

(Congregation greets one another in the name of the Lord.)

### GATHERING HYMN (VIDEO)

*God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind pg. 400(G)*

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: Amen.

L: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

L: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

L: Most merciful God,

**C: We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned in thought word and deed by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

L: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given His Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to 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.**

### **GREETING**

L: 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 ELEISON (TIMELINE)

*Refrain*

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the  
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the  
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for  
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for  
hun - gry and the poor; that  
friends and fam - i - ly; for  
wa - ter and the word; that you

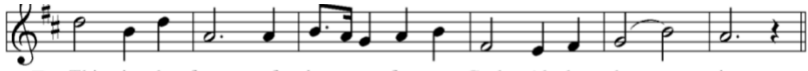
this ho - ly house, for all who wor - ship and praise,  
we may live out . . . . truth and jus - tice and grace,  
life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
nour - ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

*Refrain*

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

# HYMN OF PRAISE (TIMELINE)

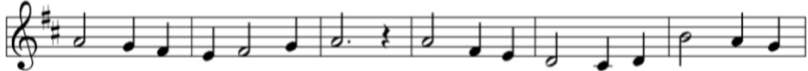
## *This Is the Feast*



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



Ⓑ Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and



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



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



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



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



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



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

## GREETING (ACAPPELLA)



L: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray...

**C: O God, you taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit. Grant us, by the same Spirit, to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

### Numbers 11:24-30

L: The First Lesson is from the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter of Numbers.

24 So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord, and he gathered seventy of the elders of the people and placed them all around the tent. 25 Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders, and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. 26 Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out

to the tent, so they prophesied in the camp. 27 And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." 28 And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" 29 But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!" 30 And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

L: Here ends the reading.

### **PSALM 25:1-14**

L: We will read the Psalm responsively.

1 To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**2 O my God, in you I trust;**

**do not let me be put to shame;**

**do not let my enemies exult over me.**

3 Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;  
let them be ashamed who are wantonly  
treacherous.

**4 Make me to know your ways, O Lord;  
teach me your paths.**

5 Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
for you I wait all day long.

**6 Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your  
steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.**

7 Do not remember the sins of my youth or my  
transgressions;  
according to your steadfast love remember me,  
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!

**8 Good and upright is the Lord;  
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

9 He leads the humble in what is right

and teaches the humble his way.

**10 All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,  
for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.**

11 For your name's sake, O Lord,  
pardon my guilt, for it is great.

**12 Who are they who fear the Lord?**

**He will teach them the way that they should choose.**

13 They will abide in prosperity,  
and their children shall possess the land.

**14 The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him,  
and he makes his covenant known to them.**

## **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

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

L: The Second Lesson is from the 2nd chapter of Acts.

2 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 2 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. 3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5 Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. 7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9 Parthians,

Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” 13 But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” 14 But 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. 15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. 16 No, 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. 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. 20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

L: Here ends the reading.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ACAPELLA)**

L: Please rise in honor of the Gospel.



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

**HOLY GOSPEL**  
**John 7:37-39**

L: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 7th chapter.



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

37 On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, 38 and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" 39 Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive, for as yet there was no Spirit because Jesus was not yet glorified.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to you, O Christ.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**SERMON**

"Rivers of Living Water"

## **HYMN**

*Holy Spirit You Are Welcome Here (VIDEO)*

*- Fade out at 3:18*

## **APOSTLE'S 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 into hell.**

**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 again to judge the living  
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
The holy Christian Church,  
The communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **RECEPTION OF OFFERINGS**

## OFFERTORY



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right spir -  
it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take  
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the  
joy of your sal-va-tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir-it.

## OFFERING PRAYER

**C:** God, we give in faith, trusting that you will provide for all our needs. Use these offerings to further your work and bring hope to those who need it most. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

L: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: Hear our prayer.**

L: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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.**

### **BENEDICTION**

L: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

### **CLOSING SONG (TIMELINE)**

*Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling pg. 582(G)*

### **DISMISSAL**

L: Go in peace and feel His Presence.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

### **POSTLUDE**

*Holy Spirit Ever Dwelling (Play song quietly)*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR MAY: Cereal, Oatmeal, Hamburger or Tuna "helper meals", Peanut butter, Toilet paper and Soups. Any food you bring will be put to good use and will honor God as an offering gift.

EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Memorial Day Service will take place in our cemetery, immediately after our church service.

Please join us!

May 26 - @ 6:30 PM - Pastor Ann's Bible Study - Book of Acts

May 27 - @ No Women's Bible Study until June 3.

May 28 - @ 1:30 pm - Bible Study at Sunporch

May 31 - @ 5th Sunday Potluck Picnic - Bring a dish to share!

Keep those extra Bibles and Christian materials coming! Would you like to be part of a youth/adult mission group trip to help deliver our donations - July 23-25? Let Pastor Ann know if you would like to be a part of this mission experience!

5th Sunday picnic/BBQ pot luck to kick off summer is May 31st. Kitchen help is needed if you can help please let Sherri Know.

FUTURE EVENTS: Help us Celebrate!

June 21 - Father's Day Hymns of Praise

July 5 - Patriotic Hymn Sing

July 17-18 - Heartland LCMC District Gathering

Sign up to attend! St. John will pay for your registration!

Scriptures for Next Week

1st Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Psalm 8

2nd Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-36

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon Title: "And So It Begins!"

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