

Pentecost 5 Sunday / Sacrament of Holy Baptism June 23, 2024

Piano prelude: Für Elise

Beethoven

***Hymn: Joyful, joyful we adore you**

No. 410

Welcome, Announcements & Worship Theme

CALL TO WORSHIP:

We come to worship as those who live in a world that is wonderful but also challenging and even threatening.

While we can feel welcome and safe with our family, friends and hopefully our church community, sometimes and in some places we can feel unsafe because of our gender, the colour of our skin, our racial background and the way we dress & express ourselves.

How do we fully stay safe but also say no? How to we full claim the unique diversity and identity of our personhood while also calling out those who like to be on top by putting others down and keeping them down?

**Come to us, O God, and speak to us as we worship.
Raise us up in all of who we are as those created and
beloved in all our unique diversity.**

ALL: Let us worship God, together!

***Hymn: Lord, in this broken world**

No. 723

**Prayer of Approach, Confession & The 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,
the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**The Peace of Christ be with you all;
And also with you.**

**Baptism of Nahid Fallahi, Yekta Farshidnejad, &
Donya Alipour**

(Children are invited to join in programming following the Baptism)

Choir: A mighty fortress is our God

**M. Luther;
arr. L. Hassler**

Scripture Readings: Esther 4: 1-17

Kin Chan

Sermon: HOW TO DEFEAT AN ENEMY

Rev. Dr. Harris Athanasiadis

(Silent Meditation)

Choir: We are one in the Spirit

P. Scholtes;
arr. B. Nasmith

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Pastoral Concern

***Hymn: Wordless, ancient Earth's foundations No. 714**

Benediction

Threefold Amen

Organ Postlude: Toccata in C major

B. Nasmith

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We invite you to join us for coffee hour and some light refreshments in our adjacent hall after the service.

All are welcome!

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OUR PURPOSE AS A CHURCH:

**To become the hands, feet, voice and heart of Christ
for each other and in the world.**



Coming Events

Sunday, June 23

Pentecost 5 Sunday /
Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Monday, June 24

Dance Fitness, 10:00am

Wednesday, June 26

Spring Book Study Session
6 Finale, 7:30pm.

Sunday June 30

Pride Sunday Worship in
the morning and Pride
March participation in the
afternoon.

July 4-8

Ministry Team (Harris, Erin,
Michael) away in Calgary

July 9 - August 12

Dr. Harris on holiday

July 29 – August 10

Erin on holiday

August 17

Wedding of Anna Bateman
and Michael Nasso, 4pm
(The Congregation are
invited)

Summer Preachers:

July 7, 14

Rev. Harry Klassen

July 21

Rev. Dr. Carol Loudon

July 28

Rev. John Borthwick

August 4, 11

Rev. Don Muir

August 18

Dr. Harris is back

Ministers

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The Rev. Dr. Harris Athanasiadis, hathan1964@hotmail.com

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The Rev. Dr. Pam McCarroll & The Rev. Dr. Glynis Williams

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