

# MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Day of Pentecost – June 8, 2025

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## Welcome to Messiah Lutheran Church

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## **GATHERING**

#### **ACTS 2:1-21**

<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.

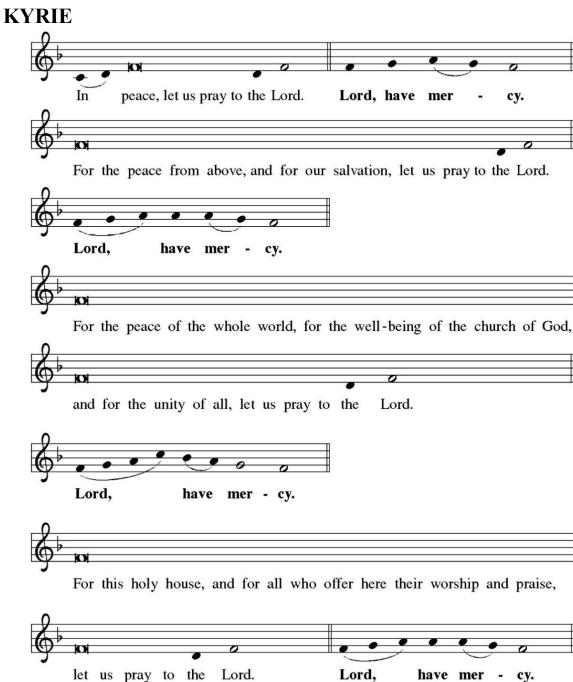
<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God** 

# PROCESSIONAL HYMN Loving Spirit (ELW 397)

#### **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 



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

men.

## **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**





## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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. Amen.

## **WORD**

#### CHILDREN SERMON

## FIRST READING: Romans 8:14-17

A reading from Romans.

<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

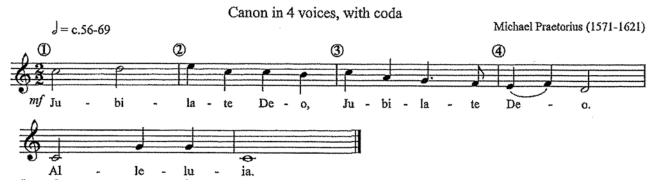
adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup> it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The word of the Lord. 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.
- May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.
- 35b Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

# Jubilate Deo



## GOSPEL: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

<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 of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

## **SERMON**

# HYMN OF THE DAY Spirit of Gentleness (ELW 396)

## **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 conseived by the Holy Spirit

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.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Knowing that the Holy Spirit intercedes for us, we offer these prayers and the silent prayers of our hearts in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen** 

## **PEACE**

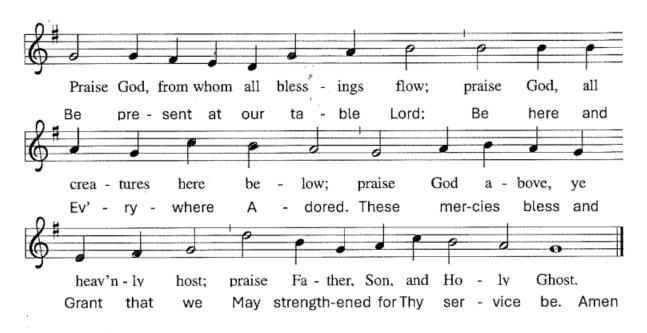
The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

## **MEAL**

## **OFFERING**

# Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

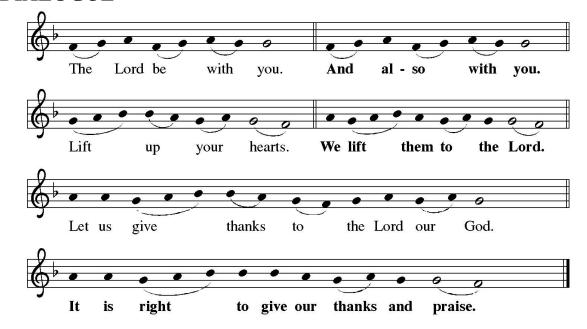


## **OFFERING PRAYER**

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

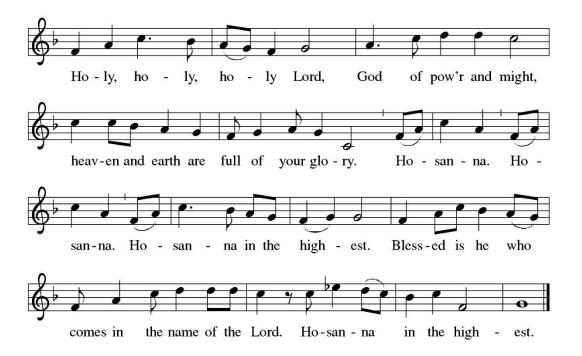
## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

## **DIALOGUE**



# PREFACE (Pastor)

# HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



## **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

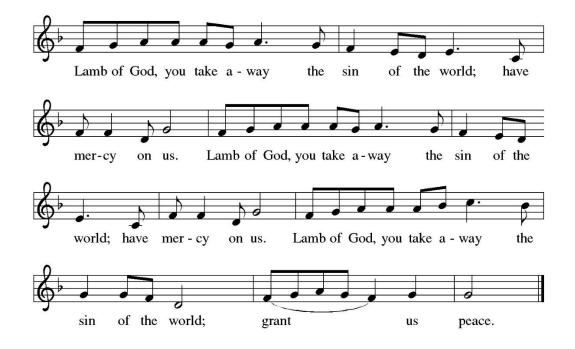
## LORD'S PRAYER

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.

# INVITATION TO COMMUNION

## **COMMUNION**

## **COMMUNION SONG**



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** 

## **SENDING**

#### **BLESSING**

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

#### Amen.

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### Amen.

The God of all grace + bless you now and forever.

#### Amen.

## **SENDING SONG**



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## **DISMISSAL**

Go in Peace. Serve one another. Thanks be to God!

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Special Offering for June is The Boys and Girls Club

Thank you to all who participated in leading worship today, including: Readers, Ushers, Communion Assistants, and Tech Booth Attendants. We need your participation in these roles! Speak to Martha Crofts to sign up.

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Help us spread the word about all the amazing things happening at Messiah! Our Outreach Committee is dedicated to sharing our mission, celebrating the talents of our members, and fostering growth within our congregation. If you have a passion for connecting with others and showcasing the wonderful gifts within our church family, we'd love to have you on board! Get involved today!

Contact Sandy Moe at sandra.moe@rocky.edu / 218-341-0283.

Let's grow together!

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Messiah is in need of regular cleaning. If you are willing to sign up to do some light cleaning (bathrooms, vacuuming, or glass cleaning) it would go a long way. We all need to do our part to keep the building sparkling! Please let Dianne know what you'd like to contribute. And THANK YOU.

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# **Upcoming**

## Two Opportunities to join our Red Lodge ecumenical partners in worship!

Rogation Sunday service and potluck with Calvary Episcopal at the Tuell Ranch on June 22nd. Messiah showed up in force last year and enjoyed a moving worship service with our friends at Calvary. **AND** Messiah is invited to join the Community Church for worship at Kaleva on July 27th. 10 a.m. worship service with a potluck after. Bring your own chairs. (Kaleva is a private campground just off Highway 212, south of Roberts.)

## **Prayer Requests**

For prayer requests, contact the church office at 406-446-2430 or <a href="mailto:redlodgemessiah@gmail.com">redlodgemessiah@gmail.com</a> or write your requests in the Prayer Request book with specific information and permission from the person You are adding.

This month the people of Messiah are praying for Carl and Meredith Cherland, Neil and Alice Carver, Jackie Cordill, JoAnne Fox, Nancy Knudson, Dolly Koski, Rick and Sandy Koski, Doug & Mary Lair, Paul Odegaard, Guynema Terry, Josh Wilker, and Madison

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