

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

Northwood, Iowa

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THAT ALL MAY KNOW THE LOVE OF GOD IN JESUS CHRIST



Day of Pentecost

May 19th, 2024

9:00 am

Pastor Becky Sogge

Organist/Pianist: Brenda Blanshan

Special Music: Senior Choir

Acolyte: Casey Gentz

Greeters: Haxton family

Usher: Haxton family, Petznick family, Stu Anderson

Counters: Mike & Judy Stevens, Steph Perkins

Sound/Video: Camden Trenhaile, Mark Willand

Communion Set-up: Ashley Haxton

Prelude

-Brenda Blanshan

Welcome – Announcements

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water! **Here is our water of life! Alleluia!**

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

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Opening Hymn *Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading* ELW 401

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Prayer of the Day

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Children's Sermon

Special Music:

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, the apostles 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 nation 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 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, "Men of Judea 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.' "

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.

There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.

You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

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.

Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

Second Reading: Romans 8:22-27

²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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Gospel Acclamation... Alleluia

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The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Jesus said,²⁶“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

^{16:4b}“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world

has been condemned.

¹²“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

The word of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Becky

Hymn of the Day.....*Spirit of Gentleness* ELW 396

Nicene Creed

Prayers of Intercession

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offering is received in the pews, or electronically through Vanco.

Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

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Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

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Invitation to communion

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God’s table.

Lamb of God

Communion Blessing and Prayer

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
 The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope bless you now and always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn *God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind* ELW 400

Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

-Brenda Blanshan

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome, we are glad you are here!
Join us for coffee in the Fireside room after worship.

Daycamp will be held from 9am-noon, June 3rd -7th. Registration forms are on the table in the Narthex.

First Lutheran Church offers a scholarship to those seniors who are going to a Lutheran College. Applications are in the office.

Mission Project for May
LRH Auxiliary

Electronic Income	
<u>March</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
\$3,381.78	\$10,290.33

Weekly Calendar		
Sunday, May 19	9:00 am	Service with H.C.
	10:30 am	DCV with H.C.
	3:00 pm	LRH
	6:30 pm	J.H. Youth
Tuesday, May 21	4:00 pm	Trust Fund
	6:00 pm	Council Mtng.
	7:00 pm	AA-Al-Anon Mtng.
Wednesday, May 22	2:00 pm	Maple Court Chapel
	4:30 pm	Confirmation
	7:00 pm	Choir practice
	7:00 pm	S.H. Youth
Thursday, May 23	8:30 am	Quilting
	9:00 pm	Prayer Group
	6:30 pm	Taekwondo
	7:00 pm	Pub Theology
Friday, May 24	5:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday, May 25	4:00 pm	Wedding
Sunday, May 26	9:00 am	Service with H.C.
	10:30 am	DCV
	3:00 pm	LRH
	6:30 pm	J.H. Youth

Sunday Attendance and Giving		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Giving</u>
May 12		
May 5	99	\$3,701
April 28	62	\$872
April 21	83	\$1,446