Pentecost

May 19, 2024



Holy Spirit Lutheran Church Lancaster, PA

The Holy Eucharist

If you are visiting with us, a special welcome. We invite you to return and worship with us as often as you are able. Please sign the guest book in the narthex. Guest cards are also available. Please take one, fill it out and return it to an usher. The offering box is by the baptismal font to receive your gift of an offering. If you need a large print bulletin, please ask an usher. As you enter the nave, please conclude all conversations and silence all cell phones and other electronic devices, as to fully enter into this time of worship.

Please indicate to the Pastor if you require gluten free wafers, prior to worship, if possible.

Please enter silently in preparation for worship.

The Prelude

Confession and Forgiveness

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

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.
- C Amen.
- P Look, here is water!
- C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!
- P 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!

C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

P 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.

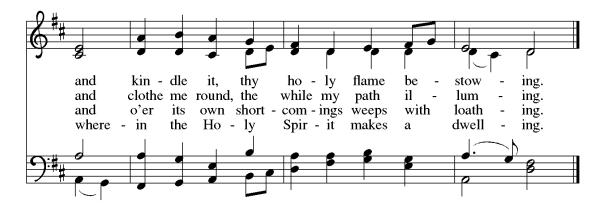
We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

- P Look, here is water!
- C Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Gathering Hymn

Come Down, O Love Divine Hymn #804 Come down, O Love di vine; seek thou this soul of mine free - ly till world - ly let it burn, pas - sions Oh, turn ho - ly char - i mine out - ward ves - ture be, ty 3 Let the yearn - ing with which the long, 4 And soul will strong, vis - it it thine own ar dor and with glow ing; to dust and ash - es in its heat sum ing; con and low - li - ness be come mine in - ner cloth ing pow'r of shall out - pass the hu - man tell ing; Com-fort - er, with - in my heart draw near; ap pear and let thy glo light ev - er rious shine on my sight, true low - li - ness which takes the hum bler of heart, part, soul can guess till Love's grace it be - come the place



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The Apostolic Greeting

- 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



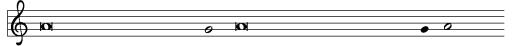
In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



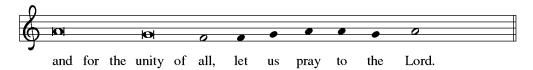


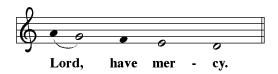
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,







For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,

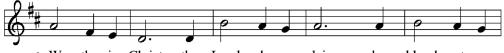




Hymn of Praise



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



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

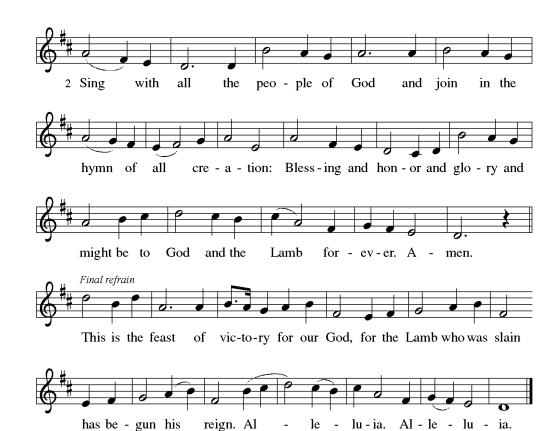


free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and





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



Prayer of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. 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.

C Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading Acts 2:1-21

A reading from Acts: 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.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit:

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."

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (Read responsively with the lector.)

²⁴O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.

²⁶There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

²⁷These all look to you to give them their food in due season;

²⁸when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

²⁹When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works —

³²who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

33 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

³⁴May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

³⁵Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

Second Reading

Romans 8:22-27

A reading from Romans: 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.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

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

P The Holy Gospel according to Saint John from the fifteenth & sixteenth chapters.

C Glory to you, O Lord

[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."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

The Sermon

Silence for reflection follows.

Please stand.

The Hymn of the Day

Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading

Verse 1-All

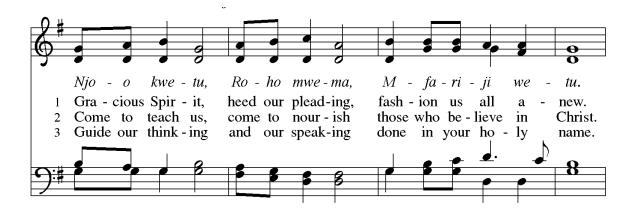
Verse 3- All

Verse 5– All

Hymn #401

Verse 2– Women, men join at refrain

Verse 4– Men, women join at refrain





- 4 Not mere knowledge, but discernment, nor rootless liberty; turn disquiet to contentment, doubt into certainty.
- 5 Keep us fervent in our witness, unswayed by earth's allure. Ever grant us zealous fitness, which you alone assure.

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The Nicene Creed

C We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven;

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the Church

A Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

As a sign of resurrection glory, the people stand for the prayers during the Easter season.

After each portion of the prayers:

A God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

- P Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
- C Amen.

The Peace

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

Without leaving your seat offer a wave to your neighbor, sharing God's peace, in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Please be seated.

Anthem

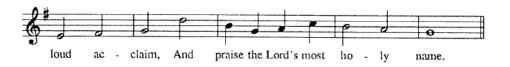
Come Holy Spirit

Patrick Liebergen

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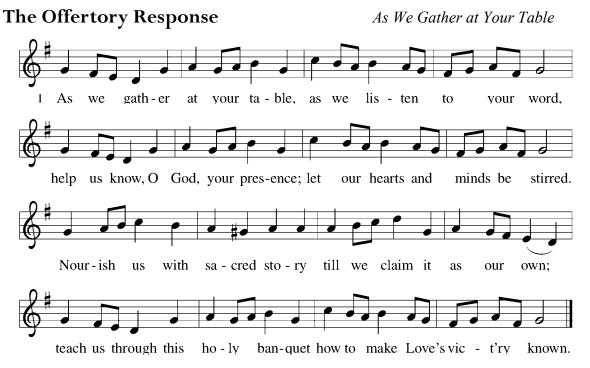
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Offering

During this time our offerings are represented through the gift of music, bread, and wine. Following the service you are invited to give your financial gifts in the offering plates located in the back of the sanctuary.

Please stand.



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Music: IN BABILONE, Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse Boerenlities en Contradansen, 1710

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The Offertory Prayer

A Let us pray. Risen One,

you call us to believe and bear fruit.

May the gifts that we offer here

be signs of your abiding love.

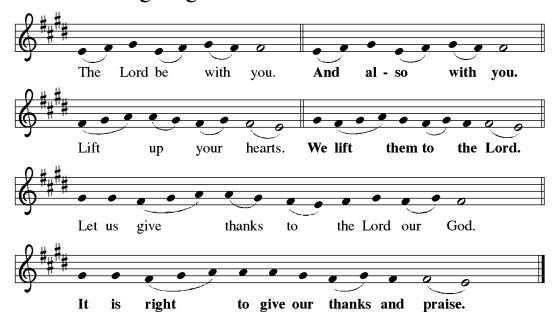
Form us to be your witnesses in the world,

through Jesus Christ, our true vine.

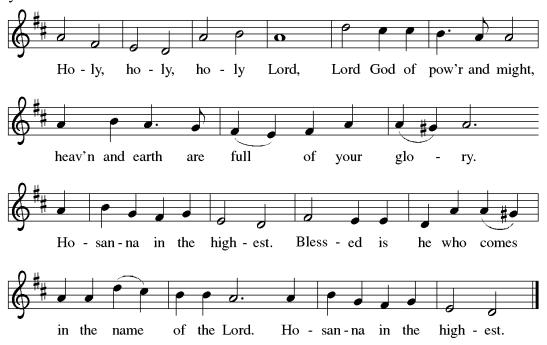
C Amen.

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The Great Thanksgiving



P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer

P Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

C We praise you, O God.

P Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

C We bless you, O God.

P We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

C We thank you, O God.

P 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.

- P Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end,
 - we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- C Christ has died. Christ is risen.
 - Christ will come again.
- P We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering;
 - within this meal;
 - among your people; throughout the world.
 - Blessing, praise, and thanks
 - to you, holy God,
 - through Christ Jesus,
 - by your Spirit, in your church,
- without end.

C Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

C 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.

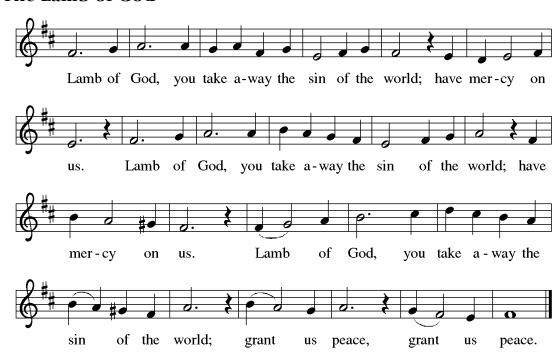
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

The Invitation to Communion

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

The Lamb of God



Please be seated.

The Distribution of Holy Communion

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America practices open table hospitality. Baptized communicants of other Christian denominations, of all ages, are welcome to receive the sacrament. An usher will direct each seating area to come forward to receive the sacrament. Bring your communion cup with you, or take one from the usher. We return to the practice of continuous communion around the Table with safe distancing by household groups. Please **stand** at the communion rail and the pastor will placed the bread into the hands of communicants and then receive the cup from the Assisting Ministers. The second chalice contains grape juice. Gluten free bread is available upon request. Those persons not receiving communion are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

Hymns During Distribution

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether	Hymn #470
Spirit of Gentleness	Hymn #396
O Holy Spirit, Root of Life	Hymn #399

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether



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Spirit of Gentleness



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O Holy Spirit, Root of Life



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The Post Communion Blessing

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

The Post Communion Prayer

- A Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.
- C Amen.

The Blessing

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

The Sending Hymn

Every Time I Feel the Spirit



The Choir sings verses.

Dismissal

- P Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.
- C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude

Coming up at Holy Spirit

Today Semi-annual Meeting, following worship

Heritage Choral Concert, 4:00 p.m.

June 4 Book Club, 7:00 p.m.

The Dilemma by B.A. Paris

Sponsors

The flowers are sponsored by Friends in honor of the anniversaries of Joe & Miriam Dunn and Doug & Noelle Dandridge.

The bulletin is sponsored by Joe & Miriam Dunn in celebration Joe & Miriam and Doug & Noelle's wedding anniversaries.

The text for next week:

Holy Trinity

Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 29, Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17

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