

The Day of Pentecost

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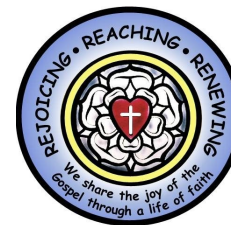


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WIND	SPEAK	HOLY	SPIRIT	LANGUAGE
FIRE	SOUND	HOUSE	FILL	HEAVEN

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May 19, 2024 + The Day of Pentecost

Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. Crossing all boundaries that would separate us, the Spirit brings the wideness of God's mercy to places we least expect it—to a crowd of strangers of different lands and tongues, to dry bones, to our weak hearts. Jesus promises his disciples that they will be accompanied by the Holy Spirit, and that this Spirit reveals the truth. We celebrate that we too have been visited with this same Spirit. Guided by the truth, we join together in worship, and then disperse to share the fullness of Christ's love with the world.

+ GATHERING +

Prelude

(The prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for worship.)

Welcome

Welcome to Zion Lutheran Church in Albion! We offer a warm welcome to all who are worshipping in person or by way of Vyve Cable Channel 21 and Facebook Live. We hope that you encounter a word of God's grace and love in this worship service.

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. At the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, God nourishes faith, forgives sin, and calls us to be witnesses to the Gospel. All who are baptized and believe in the real presence of Christ are welcome to share in the Lord's meal. Holy Communion will be distributed in person or by pre-packaged elements. If you are uncomfortable coming forward, please pick up the communion elements as you enter worship. We will partake of the sacrament as directed by the pastor within the worship service. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak with an usher. Gluten Free wafers are available on request.



Confession & Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

In that name and with that faith –
as dear children approaching a loving parent,
as sinners redeemed by the blood of the Lamb,
as believers filled with the Holy Spirit –
let us confess our sins to almighty God.
Let us seek forgiveness.



(Silence for confession and self-examination.)

Most merciful God,
we have been unworthy and disobedient children.
We have ignored our Father's admonitions,
disregarded our Savior's instructions, grieved the Holy Spirit.
We are not worthy to be called children of God.
But we beg you – of your fatherly compassion,
by your saving merits, at your inviting call –
to have mercy on us and grant us your forgiveness.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him might not perish but have eternal life.
To those who believe in Jesus Christ, the heavenly Father
gives the Holy Spirit that they may be children of God.
Rejoice in the Lord; your sins are forgiven –
in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Gathering Song

Spirit of Gentleness

#396

Refrain

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen-tle-ness, blow through the wil-der-ness
call-ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest-less-ness,

cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,
past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;
there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

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Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Table Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

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. Amen.**

✠ SENDING ✠

Announcements

Benediction

May you be alive in the Spirit.
May you be a dancing flame of joy,
a warming fire of comfort,
and a blazing source of compassion.
And may the winds of Pentecost and the resurrected Christ
go with you and direct you wherever you may go.
In the name of the Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Sending Song

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

#400

1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen - te -
2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's

stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.

1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.

then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;

and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.

Refrain
"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

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Opening Litany

O Spirit of the living God,
fill our mouths with words to share about our Savior from sin.

O Spirit of the living God,
**fill our minds with dreams and visions
of what can be accomplished in our lives with the help of God.**

O Spirit of the living God,
fill our hearts with love for all people rich and poor, young and old.

O Spirit of the living God,
**fill our souls with confidence and trust
 in God's great and glorious plan to bring his people home to him.**

O Spirit of the living God,
fill our lives with inspiration and salvation day after day.

Apostolic Greeting

The blessing of the Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the glorious love bestowed by the + Son,
 and the power of the promised Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Kyrie

Spirit of God

W&P #129

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me,
 Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.
 Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

a drop with-in the o-cean's deep, a grain up-on the shore,
 While suns and stars spin end-less-ly through depths of cos-mic space,
 You filled your cross-closed years with love; you loved us to the end
 for hope that sees a life be-yond the swift-ly pass-ing days;

a flash of light be-fore we sleep to see the sun no more.
 while ae-ons roll and ag-es pass, you hold us in your grace.
 and touch us with your ris-en life that ours may time trans-cend.
 for love, both hu-man and di-vine, that lifts our hearts to praise.

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Distribution Hymn

Remember and Rejoice

#454

- 1 Re - mem - ber and re - joice, re - newed by floods of grace.
- 2 In life, in death, we trust in God's most ho - ly name,
- 3 We pledge our-selves a - new to flee the lures of hell,
- 4 God, bless us by your grace; re - mind us of your care.
- 5 Re - mem - ber and re - joice, re - newed by floods of grace.

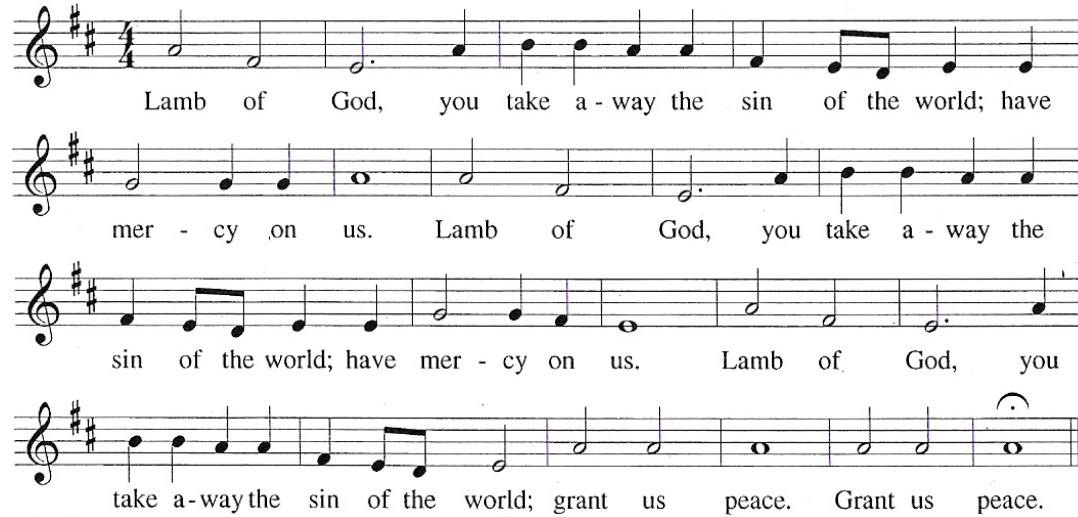
We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - raise.
 for - ev - er traced by wa - ter sign, and sealed by Spir - it flame.
 to cling to Christ's com - mu - ni - ty, in jus - tice, peace to dwell.
 Re - new - ing Spir - it, fill us now, in - spire our work, our prayer.
 We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - raise.

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Agnus Dei

Lamb of God

Family of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace. Grant us peace.

Distribution

If you are joining us from home or are taking communion from your seat:
The body of Christ, given for you. Amen.
The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

Distribution Hymn

How Small Our Span of Life

#636



1 How small our span of life, O God, our years from birth till death:
2 And yet our speck of life is spanned by your in - fin - i - ty;
3 O Christ, you left e - ter - ni - ty to plunge in time's swift stream,
4 We thank you, God, for kind-ling faith that lights our tran - sient years,
a sin - gle beat with - in the heart, the catch - ing of a breath,
our tick of time on earth is caught in your e - ter - ni - ty.
to share the short-ness of our span, our mor - tal lives re - deem.
il - lu - min - ing our pil - grim - age through mists of doubt and fears;



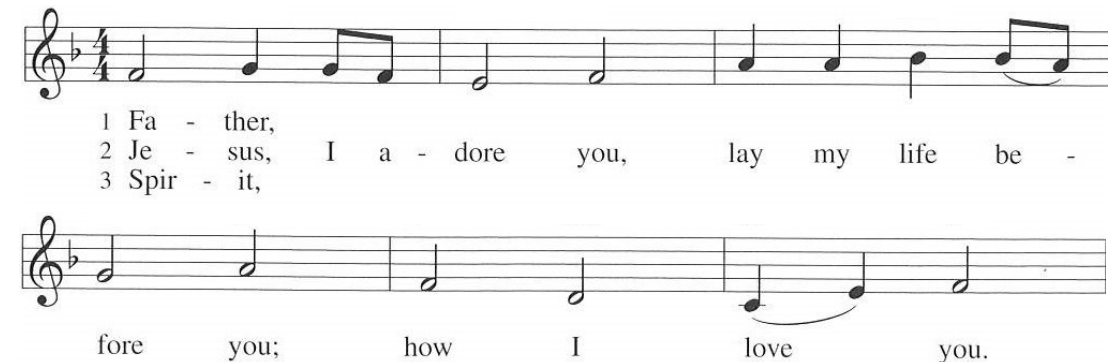
Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

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Hymn of Praise

Father, Adore You

W&P #37



1 Fa - ther,
2 Je - sus, I a - dore you, lay my life be -
3 Spir - it,
fore you; how I love you.

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray... (*A brief silence is kept.*)

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.**

✝ WORD ✝

First Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Originally Pentecost was a Jewish thanksgiving-type festival celebrated seven weeks after Passover. On this particular Pentecost, however, the Holy Spirit is poured out upon the entire community of believers just as Jesus had promised and the scriptures had prophesied. Empowered by the Spirit, the entire community bears witness to God's activity in multiple languages.

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:

¹⁷In 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,

*Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.*

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

God of dreams and prophecy, send down upon us
your gifts of wisdom, knowledge, and faith;
of healing, discernment, and interpretation,
that your church may be built up in the likeness of your Son.

Let anyone who is hungry find in you the bread of life,
and anyone who is thirsty find in you rivers of living water.

Speak your word to all who are alone and in fear or despair,
and let each one of your children
hear your voice in their own language,
whether that language be art or science, work or play.

Sanctify your groaning creation, that your universe
may breathe your breath and be filled with your life anew,
that we may love what you love, and do what you do,
Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, ever one God. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Let us pray together as Jesus taught us...

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

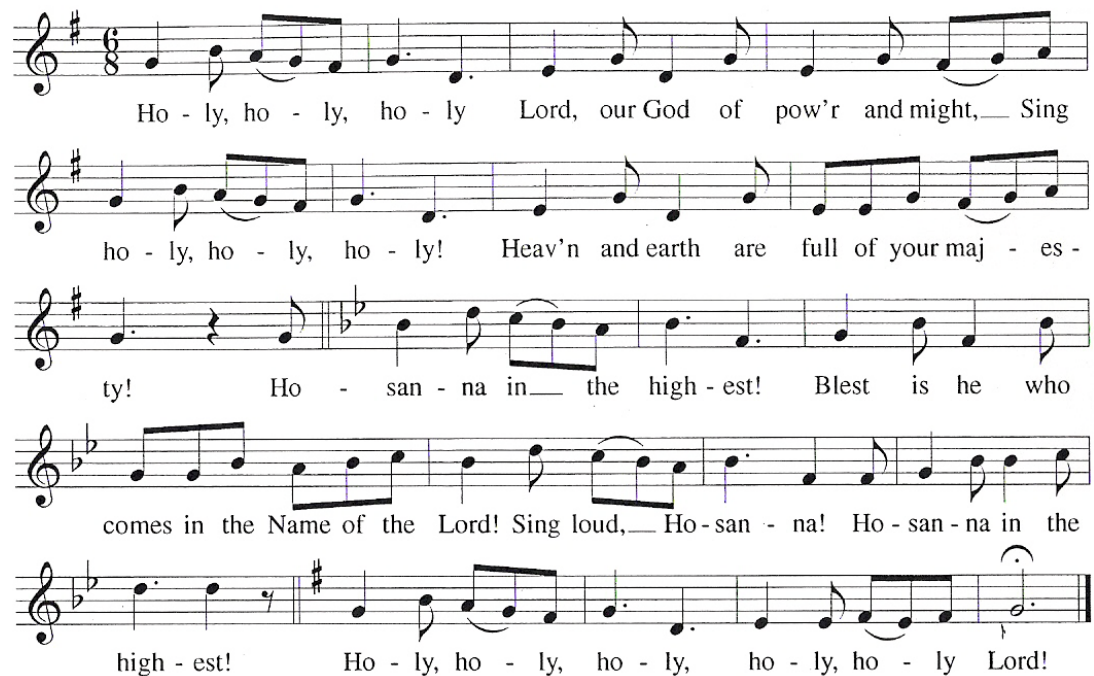
**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy

Family of God



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, our God of pow'r and might, Sing
ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Heav'n and earth are full of your maj - es -
ty! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Blest is he who
comes in the Name of the Lord! Sing loud, Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the
high - est! Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!

Eucharistic Prayer & Words of Institution

God of comfort and strength, we look to your Holy Spirit
to be with us in sorrow and in contentment,
in crisis and in abiding stillness.

Come among us now through the power of your Spirit,
that we may be transformed into your image,
and that these gifts of bread and wine may become for us
the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;
who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks,
broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying:

*Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.*

After supper, Jesus took the cup.
Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

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.' ”

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

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Let us read Psalm 104 responsively.

²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵**Yonder is the sea, great and wide,
with its swarms too many to number,
living things both small and great.**

²⁶There go the ships to and fro,
and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

²⁷**All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.**

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

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

³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.

³¹**May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**

³²You look at the earth and it trembles;
you touch the mountains and they smoke.

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

³⁴May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.

^{35b}**Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!**

Second Reading

Romans 8:22-27

By pouring the Holy Spirit into our hearts, God gives us the promised first fruit of eternal life so that we await God's future in hope. In the meantime, the Spirit also intercedes for us by carrying the prayers of our weak human hearts to God.

A reading from Romans.

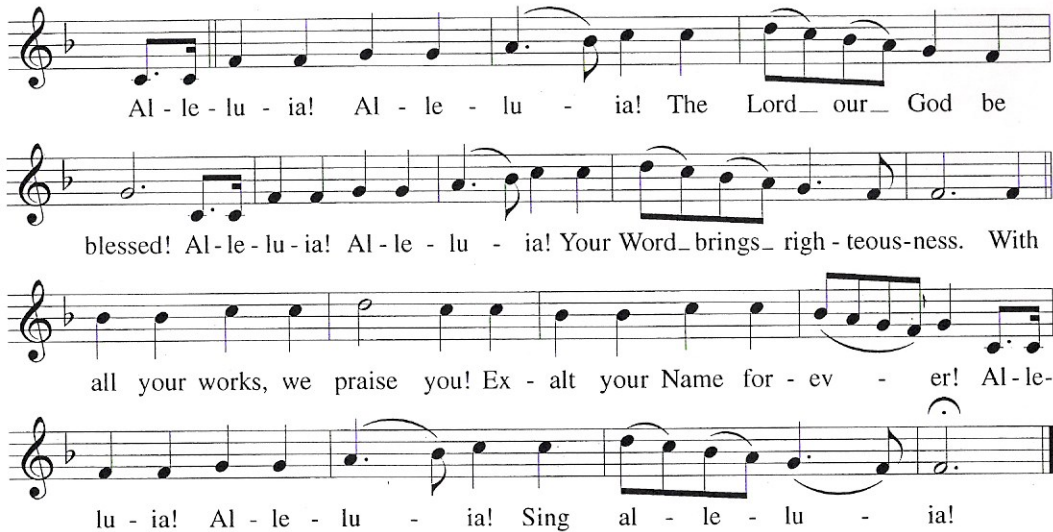
²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope.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

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

Alleluia Verse

Family of God



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! The Lord_ our_ God be
blessed! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Your Word_ brings_ righ - teous-ness. With
all your works, we praise you! Ex - alt your Name for - ev - er! Al - le -
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Sing al - le - lu - ia!



what you have sown, That we may be fed with the
grant us, we pray, A fore - taste of your prom - ised
bread of life. 1. 2. Now
feast to come. A - men.

✠ MEAL ✠

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God,

It is right to give our thanks and praise.



Proper Preface

God of surprises, your Spirit brooded over the waters at creation
and lived among your chosen people
in wilderness, exile, and promised land.

Your spirit filled Mary's womb at the moment of Jesus' conception
and came upon him like a dove at his baptism.

When Christ died on the cross

your power raised him from the tomb on the third day,
and that same evening he breathed your forgiving grace
on those who had deserted him.

On the day of Pentecost you sent your Spirit upon the fearful disciples,
filling them with fire, with power, with wonder and joy,
and making them your church.

And so we gladly thank you, with angels and archangels
and all the company of heaven,
singing the hymn of your unending praise.

A For this congregation and its ministries:
 for those who plan and lead worship,
 for acolytes and communion servers, for readers and tech ministers,
 for all who prepare and clean our worship space.
 May our worship be pleasing in your sight.
 God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P Here other intercessions may be offered either aloud or in silence.
 God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A We remember the faithful departed.
 Give us thankful hearts for those who have gone before us in the faith.
 At the last day, breathe new life into our dry bones,
 that we might feast forever with all the saints in light.
 God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

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. **Amen.**

Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

✠ OFFERING ✠

Offering Response

Your Vineyards, O Lord

Family of God

1. Your vine - yards, O Lord, may they
 (2.) gath - er the hopes and the
 bear fruit for you. Please fill our cup full of your
 dreams of all here; U - nite them in pray'r with these
 bless - ing, we pray. And gath - er a har - vest from
 of - f'rings we bring. Pre - side at our ta - ble, and

Holy Gospel

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

While speaking to his disciples before his death, Jesus refers to the Holy Spirit as "the Helper" and describes the difference the Spirit will make in their lives and in the world.

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th chapter.

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.”

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

**Children’s Time
 Sermon**



Hymn of the Day

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

#582



- 1 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er dwell-ing in the ho-liest realms of light;
- 2 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er liv-ing as the church's ver-y life;
- 3 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er work-ing through the church's min-is-try;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er brood-ing o'er a world of gloom and night;
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er striv-ing through us in a cease-less strife;
quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab-solv-ing, set-ting cap-tive sin-ners free;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er rais-ing those of earth to thrones on high;
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er form-ing in the church the mind of Christ:
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er bind-ing age to age and soul to soul



liv-ing, life-im-part-ing Spir-it, you we praise and mag-ni-fy.
you we praise with end-less wor-ship for your gifts and fruits un-priced.
in com-mu-nion nev-er end-ing, you we wor-ship and ex-tol.

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Apostles' Creed

Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith...

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He 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,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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 the People

P 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.

(A brief silence is kept.)

A We pray for the church universal, for its ministries,
and for the spread of the gospel.
Shower your Spirit upon Sunday school students, confirmands,
and the newly baptized.
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P For the earth, our precious home.
We give thanks for the diversity of plant and animal life on our planet.
Empower us by your Spirit
to be wise and faithful stewards of all you have made.
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

A For the nations and those who govern.
Give those in authority understanding hearts,
that they work together to bring justice and peace on earth.
Grant all who vote in elections wisdom and discernment.
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

P For those in need around the world:
for victims of crimes, for victims of sexual abuse and exploitation,
for those who are incarcerated.
For all who suffer in any way, *especially...*
God of grace, **hear our prayer.**