

THE DAY OF PENTECOST

June 8, 2025 10:00 A.M.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH!

Plain text indicates a part of the liturgy led by a worship leader; **bold text** indicates a congregational response.

Hymn numbers refer to their corresponding pages in the back of the Evangelical Lutheran Worship hymnal.



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Standing is the posture of the resurrection. We stand when we sing hymns and for other parts of the service as an expression of resurrection joy. It is a way of proclaiming that Jesus is powerfully alive! Colossians 3:14-18

On Pentecost, we celebrate that we have been given an Advocate to accompany us. Poured out in wind and fire, water, wine, and bread, the Holy Spirit abides in and among us. We give thanks that God speaks to each of us, no matter our origins, language, or life path. Filled with the Spirit of truth, we go out from worship to proclaim the saving power of Christ's love and the freedom of God's grace with all the world.

The word Pentecost is the Greek word for fiftieth, because today is the fiftieth (and final) day of the Easter season—a week of weeks from Easter Sunday.

Welcome Prayer Requests

Prelude Veni Creator Spiritus arr. Richard Proulx

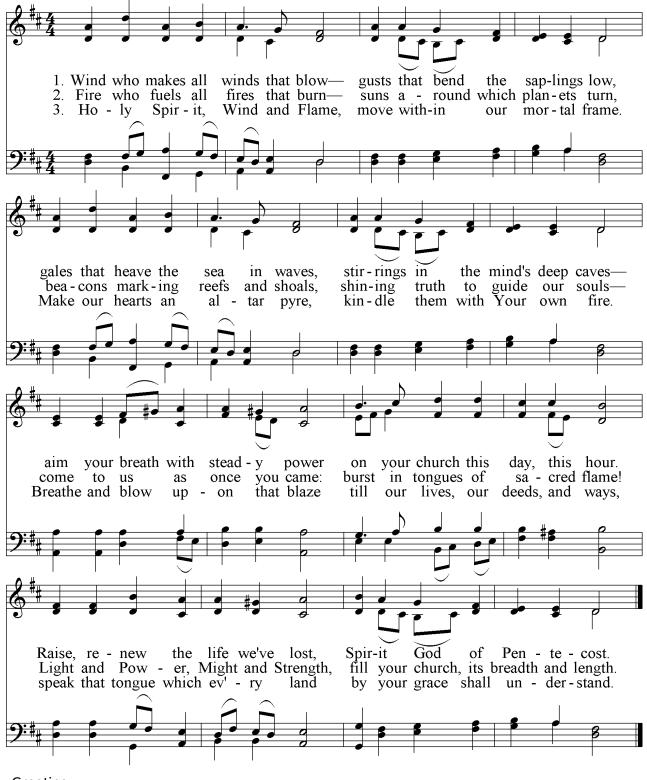
We stand as we are able.

Opening Dialog

- P Alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord fills the world.
- C Let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God. Alleluia!
- P With tongues of fire, the Spirit kindles the apostle's zeal.
- C They declare in new tongues the wonderful works of God.
- P Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- C And blessed be God's kingdom now and forever.
- P Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit!
- C Fill the hearts of your faithful people with your love. Alleluia!

ENTRANCE RITE

Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow



vices in Eastertide with the Paschal Greeting, which recalls the resurrected Jesus' greeting to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary (Matt 28:6). The apostolic greeting which follows quotes the apostle Paul (2 Cor. 13:14)

We begin ser-

Greeting

Hymn

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C Christ is risen indeed, Alleluia!
- 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.

The Hymn of Praise, Worthy Is Christ, is sometimes referred to as the Easter song of triumph and is adapted from Revelation 5:9-13 and 19:4-9.

Hymn of Praise Worthy Is Christ



The Prayer of the Day is tied to the overall theme of the scripture lessons or, sometimes, to the theme of day if it is a special occasion in the church calendar

The tradition of reading sacred scripture in worship is a tie to our roots in Judaism. I Timothy 4:13 reminds us of the importance of this practice.

During the Sundays of Easter, the first lesson is from the Acts of the Apostles.

Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. 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.

C Amen

We are seated.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Acts 2:1-21 L 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.

¹⁵Now 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."

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

A psalm is spoken or sung in response to the first reading.

Psalm 104:24, 27, 29-31, 35b

We chant the psalm responsively, with the congregation singing the verses in bold.

²⁴How manifold are your | works, O LORD!

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

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

²⁹When 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.

³¹May the glory of the LORD en- | dure forever; O LORD, rejoice in | all your works.

35bBless the LORD, | O my soul. Hal- | lelujah!

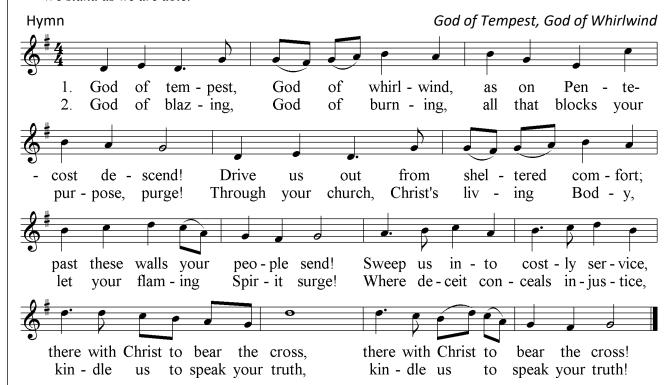
The second reading, usually from the New Testament letters, bears the witness of the early church.

Second Lesson: Romans 8:14-17 L A reading from Romans

¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For 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!" ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and 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.

- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

We stand as we are able.



The sequence hymn frames the reading of the Holy Gospel. It gives special focus to the Gospel, the principal and climactic biblical reading in the liturgy.

The Liturgy of the Word culminates in the reading of the gospel and the sermon by which Christ comes among his people and speaks to us in our own context. We stand as we encounter the risen Lord in the reading of the gospel.

The Gospel: John 14:8-17, 25-27

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

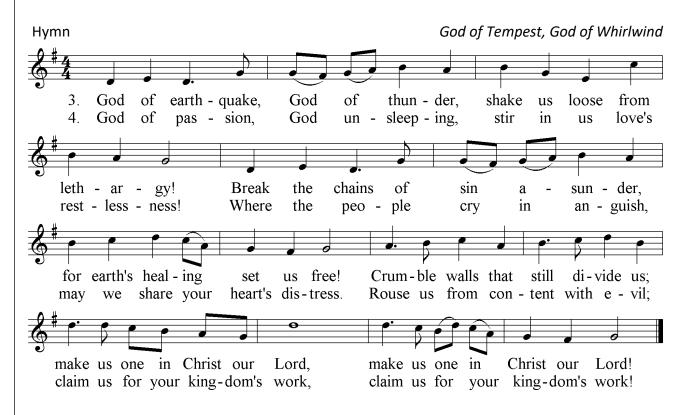
⁸Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and 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. ¹¹Believe 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. ¹²Very 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. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

15". If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. 17 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.

²⁵"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But 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. ²⁷Peace 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."

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.



We sit.

Sermon Pastor Colleen Hetrick

Hymn

O Spirit, All-Embracing



- Beau ty ev er blaz ing in flow er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow-er ho ly, your in sight here im part,



un - bound - ed splen - dor grac - ing a shore - less sea of skies: place. you show your - self a - maz - ing in un - ex - pect - ed your ser - vants low - ly an un - der-stand-ing heart give and



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward; We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been; to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford. you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin-dle hope with - in. to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end-less flow-ing, and res-cue us from death; Come, fire of glo-ry gra-cious, bless all who trust in you; for vi-sion we im-plore you, for wis-dom's pure de-light;



come, wind of spring-time blow-ing, and warm us by your breath. un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new. in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

The Creed

- P Living together in trust and hope we confess our faith.
- C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

The Nicene Creed (which begins, "We believe...") has been used in worship since the 5th century 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. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

We join our hearts in prayer as we pray for the Church, for the well-being of creation, for peace and justice, for those in need. 1 Timothy 2:1-2

Much more than a pleasant greeting—we do this to proclaim God's promise of peace. 2 Corinthians 13:11

Our gifts are received and dedicated to our Lord's service. These offerings support the ministries of this congregation, the Virginia Synod, ELCA, and our global mission partners.

The Prayers



Each petition concludes:

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

- P Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

THE EUCHARISTIC LITURGY

The Peace

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

We greet one another, saying "Peace be with you."

The Offering

Offertory Anthem

Hallelujah

arr. Robert A. Hobby

Hallelujah, wind from heaven coming with a mighty rush; hallelujah, fire appearing, each believer felt the touch; wind and fire, the Holy Spirit, on the day of Pentecost.

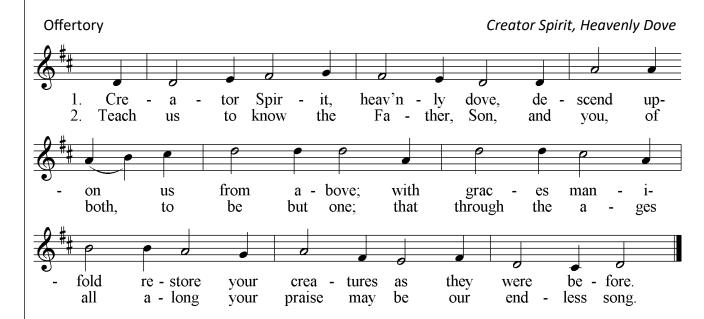
Then the sound of holy babble, and a crowd of people stirred; past the borders kept by language came the witness and the word. Hallelujah for the gospel; everyone who listened, heard.



Hallelujah, men and women will speak out prophesy. Hallelujah, dreams and visions for the young and old alike. May a world in need of mending dream of making all things right.

Sweep aside the dreams that hurt us with your, O Holy One; give to us the dreams of healing, visions of your kingdom come. Every tongue will join the chorus; hallelujah will be sung!

- text by Richard Leach



Our prayer is modeled after the Jewish prayer of thanksgiving and dedicates the giver to a stewardship of all life.

Offertory Prayer

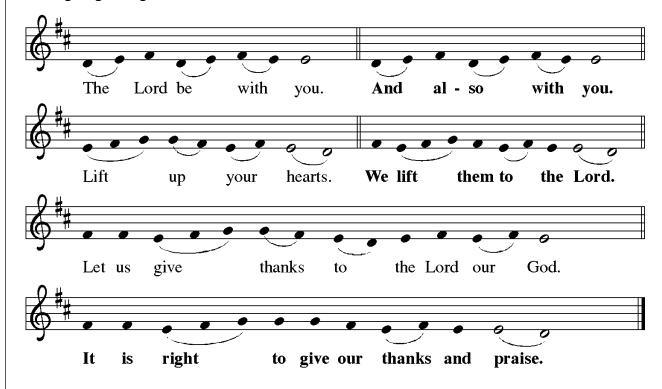
- P Let us pray. Risen One,
- C you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring.
 Come among us again,
 breathe your life into us,
 and enliven us with this meal,
 that we may live as your risen body in the world.
 Amen

The Thanksgiving Dialogue begins the part of our worship called the Great Thanksgiving.

The dialogue and the Proper Preface are ancient parts of the worship which proclaim our thanks for the gifts of God in the meal.

The Sanctus ("holy") echoes the angels' cry in Isaiah 6:3 and the crowds of Mark 11:9 as Jesus entered Jerusalem. This reminds us that we are in the presence of a God identified both by holiness and humility.

Thanksgiving Dialogue

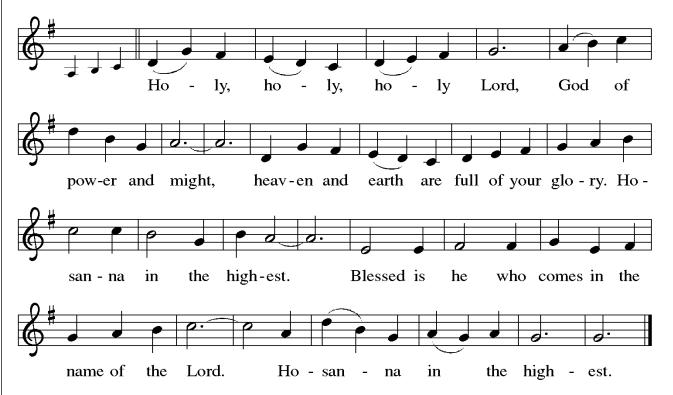


The Proper Preface

The presiding minister continues: "It is indeed right ..."

The proper preface concludes: "we praise your name and join their unending hymn."

Sanctus



The Eucharistic Prayer recalls God's saving acts throughout history and, particularly, the words and actions, the commands and promises of Jesus at the last supper with his disciples as recorded in scripture.

Eucharistic Prayer

P Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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 With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
- C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.
- C Come, Holy Spirit.
- P Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread.
 Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.
 Breathe new life into us.
 Send us forth,
 burning with justice, peace, and love.
- C Come, Holy Spirit.
- P With Saint Mark and your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.
- C Amen

The Lord's
Prayer brings
the Great
Thanksgiving to
a conclusion.

Prayed here, this familiar and beloved prayer becomes the table-prayer of the congregation. Luke 11:1-13; Matthew 6:5-15

The Lord's Prayer

- P Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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

We are seated.



COMMUNION WITH OUR RISEN LORD WELCOME TO CHRIST'S TABLE

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

We come forward by way of the center aisle, and we return to our pews by way of the side aisles.



Once we have all received the sacrament and returned to our seats, we celebrate the personal encounter with the risen Christ through blessing, prayer, and singing.

Post-Communion Blessing

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

Post-Communion Prayer

- P Let us pray. We give you thanks, generous God,
- C for in this bread and cup
 we have tasted the new heaven and earth
 where hunger and thirst are no more.
 Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection,
 that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.
 Amen

Blessing of Pentecost

- P May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with God's blessing, that you may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever.
- C Amen
- P May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of God's presence.
- C Amen
- P May God, who by the Holy Spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to God in word and deed.
- C Amen
- P And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.
- C Amen

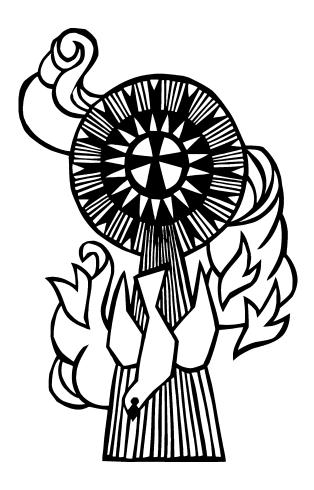


We are dismissed from worship knowing that our service does not end. Rather, having been in the presence of the risen Lord, we leave so that our service may truly begin.

Dismissal

- P Go in peace loving God and loving your neighbor.C Thanks be to God.

Postlude Come, O Spirit Mary Beth Bennett



THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S				
Sunday, June 8 The Day of Pentecost	11AM	Worship with Holy Communion		
Monday, June 9	5PM—7PM	The Lion's Share open		
Tuesday, June 10				
Wednesday, June 11				
Thursday, June 12				
Friday, June 13	10AM—noon	The Lion's Share open		
	6:30PM	NA meeting (Library)		
	1:30PM	Virginia Synod Assembly at Roanoke College		
Saturday, June 14	8PM	NA meeting (Fellowship Hall)		
	9AM	Virginia Synod Assembly at Roanoke College		
Sunday, June 15 The Holy Trinity	11AM	Worship—Service of the Word		
	9AM	Virginia Synod Assembly at Roanoke College		

SERVING IN WORSHIP				
	<u>Today</u>	Next Week		
Greeter	Sandy Anders & Lois Ashby	Judy & Alex Adkins		
Lector	Karen Arthur	Cheryl Gordon		
Communion Assistant				
Coffee Hour				

Attendance Last Sunday 37
Offering Received (Pledges/Loose) \$7136.00
Budget (Pledges/Loose) \$3173.00



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