

Day of Pentecost



Messiah Lutheran Church
Sunday, June 9, 2019

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TO OUR GUESTS: WELCOME!

May the God who led you here today refresh you with his grace and peace in Christ Jesus as you spend this hour with us. We're glad you're here.

Some helpful things to know

- ***Let us know that you were here.*** You'll find a visitor's card in the pew rack that you can fill out and either hand to an usher or drop in the offering plate.
- ***Restless children?*** Nursery care is available during the late Sunday morning services. We also have a room where parents can tend to little ones while watching and listening to the service. Ask an usher for directions.
- ***Large print bulletins and personal audio receivers*** are available at Sunday services for any who may find them helpful. Don't hesitate to ask an usher.
- ***May you commune at Messiah?*** Yes, if you're a baptized communicant elsewhere and are able to respond with joyful confidence when Christ invites you to meet him in the sacrament here. As he says of the bread, "This is my body," and of the cup, "This is my blood"; and of both he says, "given and shed *for you.*"
- ***Our communion procedures:*** the sacrament is distributed at the head of the aisle. Come forward as the usher directs. For receiving the wine, two cups are available, one to drink from and a second to dip the host in. Follow your preference. If you choose not to commune but would like even so to receive a blessing, approach the pastor or assisting minister with your arms crossed. For a gluten-free host, quietly ask the pastor.



DAY OF PENTECOST

JUNE 9, 8:30 & 10 A.M.

*The congregation is invited to participate at the places marked with **bold** type*

WE PREPARE FOR GOD'S GIFTS...

Music and Quiet

“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling,” Wilbur Held

Asking God's Forgiveness (8:30 only)

Stand

In the name of the Father, and the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for self-examination.

Most merciful God

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Opening Hymn

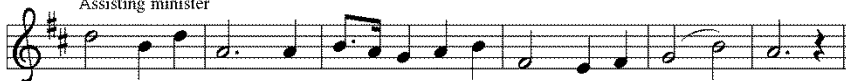
"O Holy Spirit, Enter In," #786

Baptism (10 only)

Greeting

Singing God's praise (8:30 only)

Refrain
Assisting minister

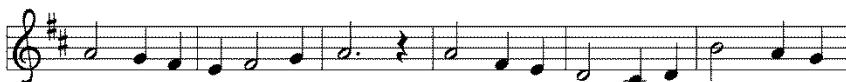


This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



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

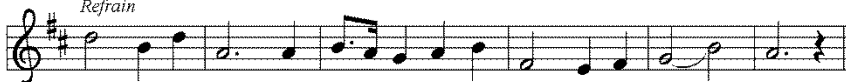


free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

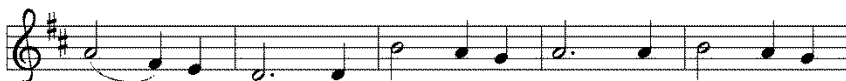


strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

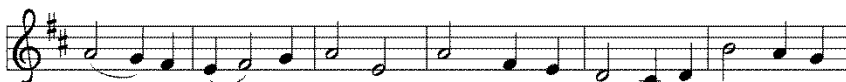
Refrain



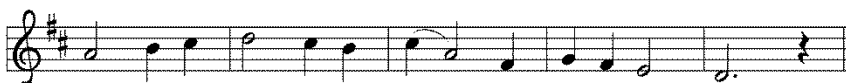
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain
has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOD'S WORD

Today's Prayer

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.

Amen.

Sit

From the Old Testament

Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶And the LORD said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore it was called Babel, there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

From the Book of Psalms

104:24, 27, 28-35b

Cantor sings refrain; All sing refrain



Cantor sings verses in regular print; All sing verses in bold print

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

All of them | look to you

To give them their food | in due season. Refrain

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 en- | dure forever;**
O LORD, rejoice in | all your works. Refrain

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.**
Hal- | lelujah! Refrain

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.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sung by Cantor; Sung by All

The Spir - it in - ter - cedes for us with
sighs too deep for words to ex - press. Oh, oh.

End

The Holy Gospel is recorded in the 14th chapter of St. John.

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. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This 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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

God's Word for Today

Pr. Burce

Stand

Hymn for Today

"O Day Full of Grace," #627

Confessing our Faith (8:30 only)

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

Offering our Prayers

After each portion of the prayers

Holy Spirit, giver of life. . .
. . . have mercy and hear us.

Sharing Christ's peace

The peace of the Lord be with you
And also with you.

Greet those around you with these or similar words

Sit

Gathering Gifts

“Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart,”
Phillip Keveren

Stand

The Gifts are Presented

“Come Down, O Love Divine,”
#804 stanzas 3 & 4

Let holy charity mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing—
True lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the pow'r of human telling;
No soul can guess Love's grace till it become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

Let us pray. Merciful Father

You bring us from denial to faith, from silence to speech, from idleness to action. With these gifts we offer ourselves to your service, and with the Church through all the ages we give thanks for the saving love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHRIST, OUR FOOD AND DRINK

Preparing our hearts

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

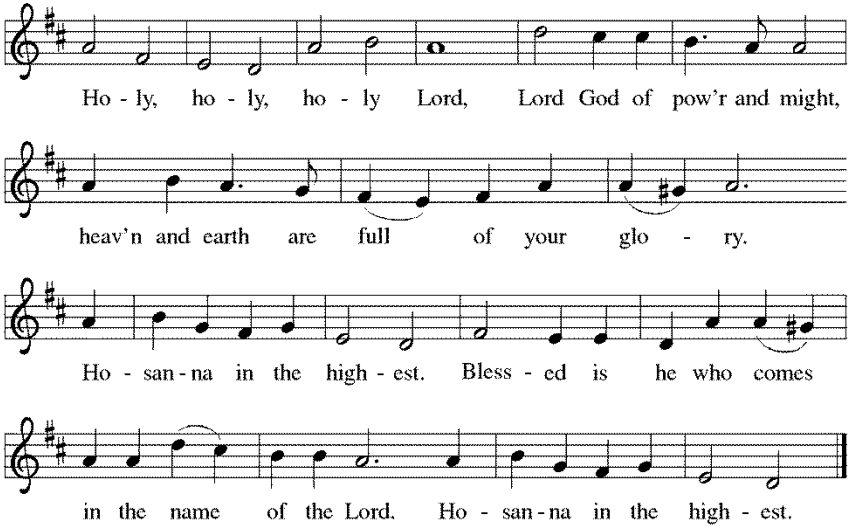
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

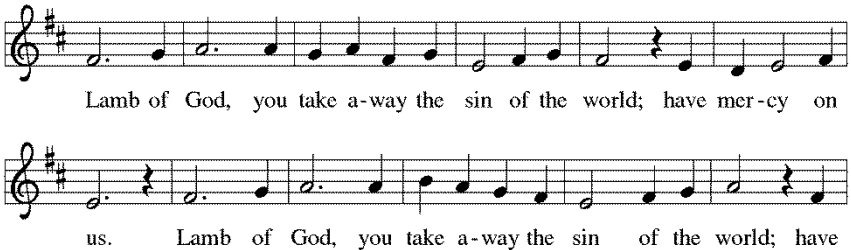
Prayer of Consecration

Blessed are you, O Lord our God. . . now and forever. **Amen.**

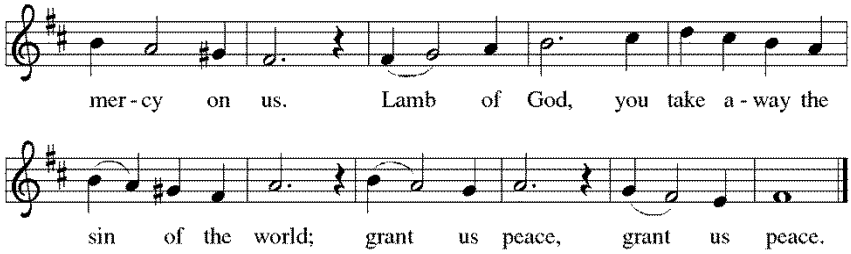
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

Sit; To learn how we distribute communion, see the inside cover.

Communion Songs



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.

“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”

#470

“O Living Breath of God”

#407

Stand

Post Communion Prayer

ON OUR WAY

A Final Word and Promise

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.
Amen.

A Song

“Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord”

#395 stanzas 2 & 3

A Mission

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Music as we leave

“Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest,” Paul Manz

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SERVING TODAY

Preaching Minister – Pastor Burce

Presiding Minister – Pastor Bridger

Assisting Minister – Carl Herhuth (8:30); Mike Thiel (10)

Lector – Marty Uhle (8:30); Cathy Zalac (10)

Communion Assistants – Kate Durban, Christa Turnbull, Lee Vysoky (8:30);
Ray Ling, Wendy Ling, Bob Zalac (10)

Acolytes – De'Ante Furry, Gavin Waugaman (8:30)

Organist – Connie Triplett

Cantor – Kathryn Campogni

Violinist – Signe Mortensen

Deacons – Ray Durban, Trish Kvasnicka (8:30); Katie Norman, Sue Zubin (10)

Greeters – Scott & Jill Straffen (8:30); Marilyn Sheerer (10)

Ushers – Ken Novack, Gregory Prohaska, Greg Prohaska (8:30);
Dominic Bloor, Jim Breckel, Aubrey Thiel (10)

Altar Guild – Maria Geier, Martha Trapp

Nursery (10) – Cathy Brewer, Noah Brewer

Trustee – Bruce Wolf

IN OUR PRAYERS

- ✦ The Church's witness to Christ in a world of many faiths
- ✦ People beset by the inability to listen to each other
- ✦ The saints of Christ Lutheran, Jacob, Illinois, and so many others threatened by floods today
- ✦ The newly baptized: Finley Claire Roeder
- ✦ The steady saints who go about their days with confidence in Christ
- ✦ Health concerns: Delaney Garcia, David Gring (brother-in-law of Joy Ellerbruch), Dottie Juergens, Sue Nerlinger, Delores Schaefer, Colson Smith, Joe Young

ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN

In memory of June Schultz by her Loving Family

THIS WEEK'S COMMEMORATIONS

June 9—COLUMBA, d. 597, AIDAN, d. 651, and BEDE, d. 735, British monks who kept alive the light of learning and devotion during the European Dark Ages.

June 11—ST BARNABAS, one of the Church's first missionaries and the man who led the apostles to welcome Paul into their fellowship.

June 12—ONESIMUS NESIB, d. 1931, an Ethiopian who was sold into slavery, freed by Swedish missionaries, and brought the Gospel to his homeland.

June 14—The Cappadocian Fathers, BASIL THE GREAT (d. 379), GREGORY OF NAZIANZUS (d. 389), and GREGORY OF NYSSA (d. 385), renowned bishops and theologians who championed the Church's Nicene faith against the Arian heresy and, in Basil's case, shaped the future of Eastern monasticism. Basil and Gregory of Nyssa were brothers.

GOD'S WORD FOR NEXT WEEK

The Holy Trinity

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31, Psalm 8, Romans 5:1-5, John 16:12-15

We encourage you to read the lessons as part of your preparation for divine services.

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Pastoral Assistant – Ruth Mortensen

Music Director – Connie Triplett

Messiah School Principal – Helen Casselberry

Administrator – Darlene Waugh

Pierstorff Memorial Fund Director – Martin Uhle

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