



St. Mary's Lutheran Church
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
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THE DAY OF PENTECOST
Saturday, May 27 & Sunday, May 28, 2023

All are welcome at St. Mary's!

•Please respect the beauty of reverence and quiet reflection as we prepare for worship. Turn off phones or silence them.
•Please know that St. Mary's Lutheran Church celebrates Holy Communion for ALL! This is Christ's table and His invitation. You do not need to be a Lutheran, or a member of our church to participate. Also, if you wish to come up for only a blessing, please tell us when you approach, and we will bless you! If you are unable to come up for communion, tell the usher that you would like to receive communion at your seat, and someone will bring it to you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

STAND

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

Blessed be the holy Trinity,
✠ one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. In the desert, you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock. When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere, including Lake Michigan, Pike River, Lake Andrea, and Des Plaines River. Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy all who thirst, and give us the life only you can give.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

Hymn #786 "O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

KYRIE

(ELW p. 138)

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

(ELW p. 140 "This is the Feast")

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

SIT

WORD

Pew Bible Page

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

(pg. 885)

Pentecost was a Jewish harvest festival that marked the fiftieth day after Passover. Luke portrays the Holy Spirit being poured out upon the disciples before the gathered and astonished people assembled in Jerusalem for the festival. Filled with the Spirit, the disciples were able to witness to the power of Christ's resurrection.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10

(pg. 984)

Christ is the cornerstone of God's saving work and the foundation of our lives. We are God's chosen, holy people who continuously celebrate and declare the mercy of God we experience through Jesus Christ.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

STAND

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(ELW p. 142 "Alleluia")

GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

(pg.883)

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SIT

SERMON

STAND

HYMN OF THE DAY

Hymn #405 "O Spirit of Life"

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 INTERCESSION

Receive our prayers, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

Hymn #396 "Spirit of Gentleness" vs. 1

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Generous God,
in this meal you offer your very self.
We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.
In the breaking of this bread
reveal to us the Risen One.
In the pouring of this wine
pour us out in service to the world;
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

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.

PREFACE

ACCLAMATION AND AMEN "Holy, Holy, Holy" (ELW p. 144)

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed...
Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

SIT

COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG "Lamb of God" (ELW p. 146)

DISTRIBUTION HYMN Hymn #398 "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

STAND

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
Gracious God,
in you we live and move and have our being.
With your word and this meal of grace,
you have nourished our life together.
Strengthen us to show your love
and serve the world in Jesus' name.

Amen.

SENDING OF COMMUNION

Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care:
As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist
those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with
those who are sick, homebound, and imprisoned. In your love
and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this
sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence
through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

The God of all,
who raised + Jesus from the dead,
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit
to live in the new creation.

Amen.

SENDING SONG Hymn #408 "Come Thou, Almighty King"

DISMISSAL

We are God's People.

Followers of Jesus Christ.

Gifted by the Spirit.

Go Pray. Go Love. Go Serve.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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THIS WEEKEND'S WORSHIP LEADERS

INTERIM PASTOR: Pastor Kathy Brown

SOUND/VIDEO: Kristofer Twadell, Patricia Mason (Sun)

ASSISTING MINISTER: Dana Larsen

SATURDAY

PIANO: Laurel Borter

READER: Faith Pfeiffer

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Edie Iverson, Todd Woller

USHERS: Bob VanBendegom, Dale Brandes, Sandy Benson

SUNDAY

ORGAN/PIANO: Deb Black

READER: Laura Miesbauer

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Cheryl Hayes, Christy Burmeister,
Andy Schroeder

GREETER: Sharon & Keith Corso

USHERS: Gary Rice, Ralph Tollas, Carole Scotese, Dave
Raszkievicz, Dan Neururer and/or Doug Derginer

No Hospitality this Weekend due to Memorial Holiday

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*This weekend's altar flowers are to the Glory of God and in  
loving memory of our parents, Perle & Aileen Boyd. Given  
by: Larry & Betty Boyd, Kathy Gerlach, Carolyn Hagen  
and Marv & Sue Boyd.*

*We extend our deepest sympathies to the family of  
Rev. Kara Skatrud Baylor, who passed away on  
Thursday, May 25th. May she rest in peace free from  
illness, pain and suffering in the arms of the Lord  
she loved so dearly. She leaves her husband,  
Trenton, and two young daughters, Tova and Thea.  
Services are pending.*

