WELCOME TO



Day of Pentecost June 8, 2025

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.

We welcome all who worship with us. If you are a guest, we are especially glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Our worship is always enhanced by new faces and voices. If you are already a part of our church family, welcome home.

Prelude:

WELCOME AND WORSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of + the One
who was, who is, and who is to come.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church;

waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One, make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN: ELW 399 "O Holy Spirit, Root of Life"

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE: ELW pg. 213 "Glory to God" (see insert)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

All respond:

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: ACTS 2:1-21

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, amid signs of fire, wind, and a variety of languages, the people were amazed and astonished at Jesus' promise coming true.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35B:

ELW 881 "Let All Things Now Living"

SECOND READING: Romans 8:14-17

Here Paul speaks about the mystery of baptism: through the Holy Spirit we are claimed, gathered, and welcomed into Christ's body, the church. And we receive a new name in our adoption: child of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW 174 "Celtic Alleluia"

GOSPEL: JOHN 14:8-17, 25-27

Though the disciples struggle with Jesus' nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God's mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promisthe coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.

The holy gospel according to John **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

The assembly is seated. Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 860 "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

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

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.
The assembly is seated.

MEAL

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need

Deuteronomy 16:17

All shall give as they are able, according to the blessing of the Lord, your God, which he has given you.

OFFERTORY: ELW 681 "We Plow the Fields and Scatter"

OFFERTORY PRAYER

After the table is set, the assisting minister leads in prayer. Please stand at the invitation to pray:

Risen One, 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.**

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

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

SANCTUS: ELW 525 "You Are Holy"

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

The presiding minister leads the Eucharistic Prayer At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer, all say:

- ... with every breath. We praise you, O God.
- ... into the future. We bless you, O God.
- ... with us now. We thank you, O God.
- ... we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- ... without end. Amen

*THE LORDS PRAYER (Spoken)

(Those who wish may hold hands as a sign of Christian unity).

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

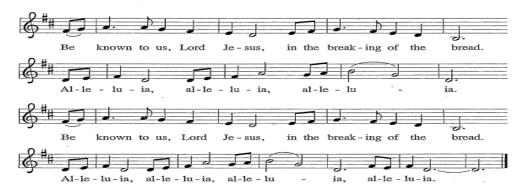
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

LAMB OF GOD: "Be known to us, Lord Jesus"



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DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

All Baptized Christians are welcome to commune. Those who do not wish to commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing (fold your arms over your chest).

The Body is available as bread or gluten-free Host.

The Blood is available as wine (large chalices) or non.-alcoholic juice (small chalice).

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The appropriate response is:

Amen.

During the distribution, please pray silently or join in singing.

HYMN: ELW 401 "Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading"

"Ruach" Performed by Bob Pierce and Susan Stack

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please remain seated:

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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SENDING

BLESSING

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN: ELW 400 "God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind"

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude:

The end of Worship – The beginning of Christian Ministry.

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SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Pastor Lynn M. Fonfara

Music Director: Len Cremisio

Asst. Ministers: 9:30 a.m.

Reader: Don Ames

Crucifer: James Menchaca

Communion Assistant:

Assisting Minister: Vaike O'Grady

Ushers: 9:30 a.m. Crystal Kirkpatrick, Byron Kirkpatrick

John Kelly

Altar Care: Crystal & Byron Kirkpatrick

Post Worship Sec.: 9:30 a.m

Counters: Linda Steege & Janet Braun

Greeters: 9:30 a.m.

Fellowship:Diane Marcotte,
Loraine Van Haecke

Communion Wine: For June is given to the Glory of God

Altar Flowers: From Don & Helen Ames in honor of Don's 88th Birthday.

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