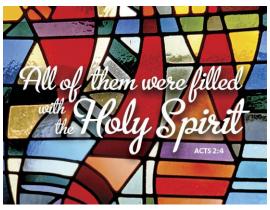
Grace Lutheran Church

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May 19, 2024; 9:00 A.M. Day of Pentecost



GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

OPENING MUSIC

"O Spirit All-Embracing"

setting, David Lasky (Augsburg Fortress)

Please stand as you are able.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins. Blessed be the holy Trinity, \oplus one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism,
let us give thanks for what God has done for us.
We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning
your voice thundered over the deep
and water became the essence of life.
Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers.
The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day.
Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea

Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land.

In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life. Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Please stand as you are able.

OPENING HYMN

"O Living Breath of God"

ELW 407 (One License)

Please be seated.

WELCOME

Please stand as you are able.

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

"This Is the Feast"

ELW pg. 140

(verse 1- low voices, verse 2- high voices, verses 3, 4, & refrain- all)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.**

Please be seated.

BLESSING OF GRADUATES

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21, Pew Bible, New Testament, pg. 119
Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

The Psalms are found in the ELW, in the front section, beginning on page 339. We will read them responsively together.

SECOND READING:

Romans 8:22-27, Pew Bible, New Testament, pg. 158

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.

words of e - ter - nal

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

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

life.

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15, Pew Bible, New Testament, pg. 110 The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

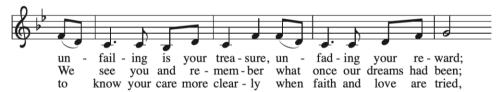
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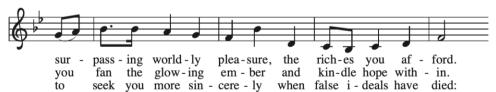
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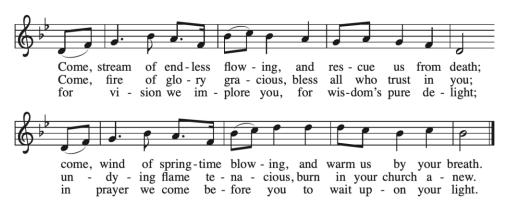


- 1 O Spir it all em brac ing and coun sel or all wise, 2 O Beau - ty ev - er blaz - ing in flow - er, field, and face,
- 3 Come, pas sion's pow er ho ly, your in sight here im part,









Text: Delores Dufner, OSB, b. 1939 Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst, 1874–1934

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NICENE CREED ELW pg. 104

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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.*

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. Bless and accompany our high school graduates: Joseph Robert Gerloff, Robert Brian Gerloff, Colin Given, Benjamin Walter Lagerhausen, Blake O'Leary, Cohen Shutt, Abby Steele; our Army Basic Training graduate: Gabriel Filetti; and our college graduates: Aidan Filetti, Hannah Paulson. Send wisdom and peace to all celebrating gradations and new beginnings. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

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.**

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.**

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 those we now name aloud or in the silence of our hearts ______. God of grace, hear our prayer.

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

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.**

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

After praying for the whole world, we receive and extend to one another the gift of Christ's peace. We invite you to share a physically distant sign of God's peace with one anotherwave a greeting of peace to people around you, and/or text a greeting of peace to someone.

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Please be seated.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray. Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. **Amen.**

OFFERING

Thank you for your generous offerings and commitment to Grace's mission and ministry. You are invited to place your financial offerings in the offering plate.

Additional ways to give include mailing your offering to the church office, or by giving online: by texting the amount you would like to give to 877-698-3604, through the Vanco Mobile App, or online at Grace's website (Use the QR code provided). You are also invited to call the church office to learn more about the automatic withdrawal Electronic Giving Program.

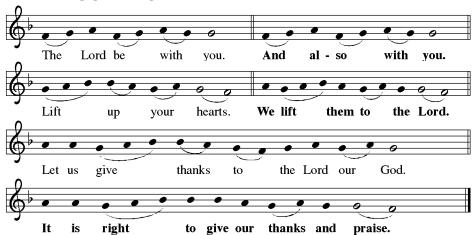
OFFERING ANTHEM

"Living Spirit, Holy Fire"

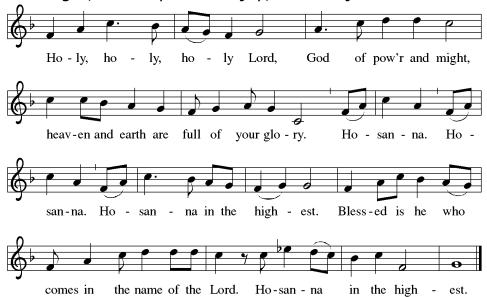
Ruth Duck & Lori True (One License)

Please stand as you are able.

GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, . . . and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

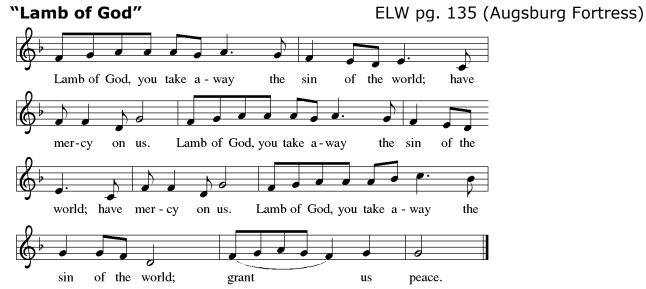
ELW pg. 145, left column

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's table.
The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table.

Please be seated. The congregation will then commune, beginning with the front pews, you are invited to come forward to receive the bread and wine or juice. Extend your hands to receive a wafer from the pastor or communion assistant. Then please pick up one cup from the trays (red wine or white grape juice), and then place the empty cup in a tray on the front pew before returning to your seat. Gluten free elements are available upon request. If you would like the communion elements to be brought to you, please notify an usher.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS



Please stand as you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope
+ bless you now and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

"God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind"

ELW 400 (One License)

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

CLOSING MUSIC

Trumpet Tune on "Cwm Rhondda"

setting, Michael Helman (Augsburg Fortress)



Worship Team

A/V Team: Andy Bellavia

Communion Assistants: Michelle Anderson, Alan Beckman, Doug Noe,

Mary Noe, Bev Unglaube

Greeters: Donna Freeman, Mary Noe

Reader: Adele Petersen

Ushers: Mike Freeman, Carrie Jarnecke, Kevin Jarnecke

Children's Sermon: Jamielynn Wedoff Coffee Ministry: Bill Kreznor, Nancy Kreznor

Altar Guild: Laura Boal, Karen Reinhard, Andy Bellavia, Mary Beth Martin-Bellavia

Musicians: Jan Burns, Carrie Filetti, Laudate Guest Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Klaus-Peter Adam

Lead Pastor: Pastor Amanda Bergstrom



Please join us for coffee & snacks after worship with our Sunday school students, teachers, and families.

Presence Light Sponsor:

In honor of our grandson's high school graduation, given by Dan & Janette Hess.

Bulletin Sponsors:

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Thank you for sharing time to hear God's word and pray together. A video recording of worship will be posted to Grace's website later in the day.

You are welcome to join Grace Lutheran Church's Facebook group for news & ministry opportunities. Peace be with you as you go forth to share God's grace.

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