

The Day of Pentecost



The Promised Spirit Comes

Welcome! We are so happy you have come to worship today! Someone has described worship as "a joyful dialogue with God." God speaks to us in his Word, and we speak to him in praise and prayer. May God richly bless you through this "joyful dialogue" today!

Restrooms – The restrooms are located straight ahead as you enter the building. You will also find restrooms in the lower level gathering space at the end of the classrooms on the right side before the exit doors.

Parent's Room – The sound of children in the house of the Lord is music to our ears! However there is also a parent room to the right just before you enter the sanctuary if your little one needs a moment. It is accessed as you exit the sanctuary, on the left, next to the seats reserved for families with small children.

Assistance Getting Around – There is a walker and a wheelchair available in the fellowship hall. Anyone who needs them is welcome to use them. Please speak to an usher if you need help accessing them.

Offering Message – An offering will be gathered in the service today. These offerings support the Gospel ministry of Lord of Love locally, and also the global mission of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Visitors need not feel obligated to give, but may if you wish.

Holy Communion is celebrated today. Mindful of the Scriptural teaching concerning church fellowship, we practice close (or closed) communion. Communicant members of this congregation, or another congregation of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod), are encouraged to commune this morning. Guests are asked to speak with our pastor, before the service, if they wish to commune.

Explanation of the theme of the day: Jesus ascended into heaven. That does not mean the gospel has ceased to spread around the world. For Jesus promised to send another advocate to represent God to the world: the Holy Spirit. The Spirit is the constant companion of believers in these Last Days.

That raises some questions. Where? How? If God now reveals himself by his Spirit, where is the Holy Spirit found? How does he come to us? God has not left the answer to those questions in doubt. When Jesus promised to send the Spirit, he indicated that the Spirit's work would be connected to words, specifically to God's Word. As a result, we need never wonder where we can find the Spirit or how he comes to us. Where the Word is proclaimed, there you will find the Holy Spirit's presence and blessing.

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

June 8, 2025 (Day of Pentecost)

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

OPENING HYMN (CW 182)

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



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Tune: IN BABILONE (87 87 D) Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse . . . Contradansen, Amsterdam, c. 1710.

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.



CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie

M: For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.



M: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



M: For the well-being of your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.

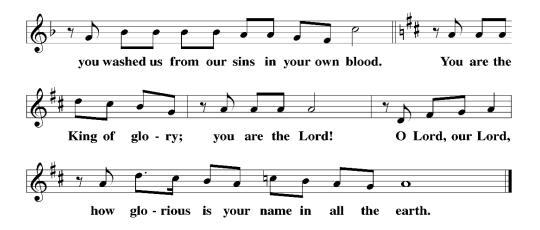


M: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by your power and keep us in your tender care:



M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.





PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.



THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Acts 2:1-21

ALL: When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the rushing of a violent wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw divided tongues that were like fire resting on each one of them. ⁴ They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, since the Spirit was giving them the ability to speak fluently.

PASTOR: ⁵ Now there were godly Jewish men from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ When this sound was heard, a crowd came together and was confused, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. ⁷ They were completely

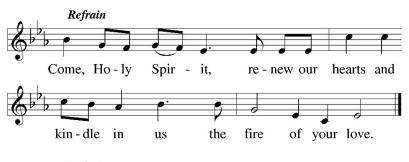
baffled and said to each other, "Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? § Then how is it that each of us hears them speaking in his own native language? § Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, and of Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya around Cyrene; visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes; 11 Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring in our own languages the wonderful works of God." 12 They were all amazed and perplexed. They kept saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 13 But others mocked them and said, "They are full of new wine."

ALL: ¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and spoke loudly and clearly to them: "Men of Judea, and all you residents of Jerusalem, understand this, and listen closely to my words. ¹⁵ These men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶ On the contrary, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ This is what God says will happen in the last days: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh. Your sons and your daughters will prophesy. Your young men will see visions. Your old men will dream dreams. ¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. ¹⁹ I will show wonders in the sky above. and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and a rising cloud of smoke. ²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. ²¹ And this will happen: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 51b (page 9)





O Lord, open <u>my</u> lips,* and my mouth will de<u>clare</u> your praise.

You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would <u>bring</u> it;* you do not take pleasure in burnt <u>offerings</u>.

The sacrifices of God are a broken <u>spirit</u>;* a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will <u>not</u> despise. *Refrain*

Create in me a pure <u>heart</u>, O God,* and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me from your <u>presence</u>* or take your Holy Spirit <u>from</u> me.

Restore to me the joy of your sal<u>vation</u>,* and grant me a willing spirit, to sus<u>tain</u> me.

Then I will teach transgressors <u>your</u> ways,* and sinners will turn <u>back</u> to you.

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the beginning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men. *Refrain*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

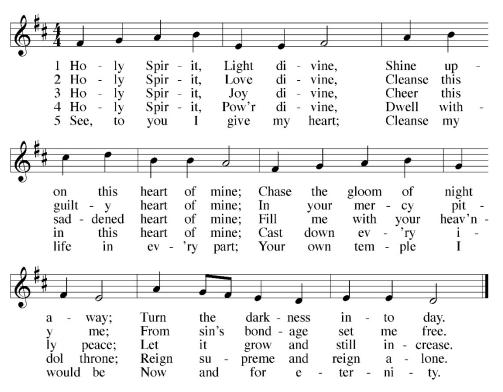
M: Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

GOSPEL LESSON John 14:23-27

²³ Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will hold on to my word. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴ The one who does not love me does not hold on to my words. The word that you are hearing is not mine, but it is from the Father who sent me. ²⁵ "I have told you these things while staying with you. ²⁶ But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I told you. ²⁷ "Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, and do not let it be afraid.

HYMN (CW 183)

Holy Spirit, Light Divine



SERMON Genesis 11:1-9

The whole earth had one language and a single vocabulary. ² As people traveled in the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they settled there. ³ They said to one another, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used mud brick instead of stone for building material, and they used tar for mortar. ⁴ They said, "Come, let's build a city for ourselves and a tower whose top reaches to the sky, and let's make a name for ourselves, so that we will not be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth."

Confused and Scattered



⁵ The LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the people were building. ⁶ The LORD said, "If this is the first thing they are doing as one people, who all have one language, then nothing that they intend to do will be too difficult for them. ⁷ Come, let's go down there and confuse their language, so that they cannot understand one another's speech."

⁸ So the LORD scattered them from there over the face of the whole earth, and they stopped building the city. ⁹ It was named Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of the whole earth. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GATHERING OF THANK OFFERING

During the gathering of the offering, please sign the Friendship Register.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Gracious Lord, your Spirit fills the world and gladdens your Church with the remembrance of all Christ Jesus has spoken. Comfort us with divine peace, and do not let our hearts be troubled or afraid. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, let your Spirit be at work through our Synod president, our district president, our circuit pastor, and our pastor, that as they proclaim your Word, he may teach us all things and bring to remembrance all your Son has said to us. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

O Lord, bless all translators of the Holy Scriptures, that every nation may hear the good news of the mighty works of God in their own language. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord of might, preserve your people from their enemies, bring peace to the nations and prosper the cause of life. Bless our leaders, especially our president, governor, Congress, legislature, and all judges and magistrates. Give them a relentless pursuit of just laws for the common good of all, with a heart of mercy for the weak and vulnerable. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

O Lord, you have sent the Holy Spirit to your Church as the comforter. Soothe the wounds of your people. Bring restoration to broken families, heal the sick, uplift the depressed, provide for the poor, uphold the forgotten and answer the prayers of all who call out to you for aid. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O God, by your Holy Spirit, convict us of sin, of righteousness in Christ and of the judgments of your Holy Word. Sanctify our hearts by the forgiveness of sins, and make us fit partakers of Christ's holy body and precious blood. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty Father, with your Son, Jesus Christ, send your Holy Spirit into our hearts through your Word that we may continue steadfast in the faith, increase in love and good works, and — trusting firmly in your grace — obtain eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.



THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.

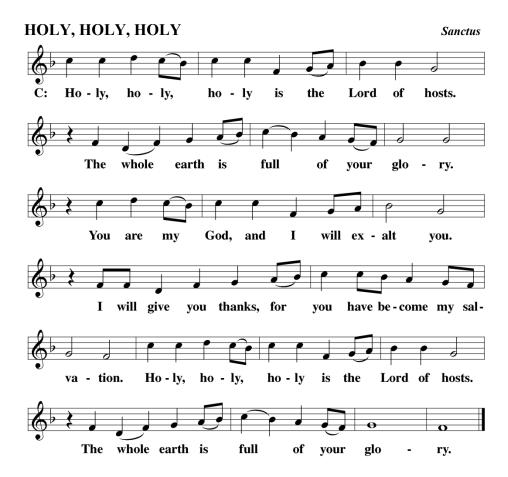


M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, he empowered his Church to be witnesses of Christ to the ends of the earth.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever:



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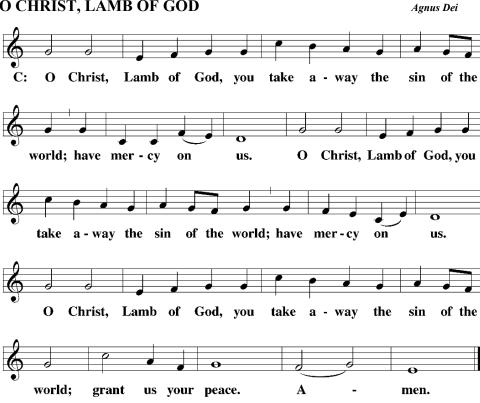
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

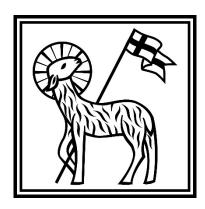
M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD



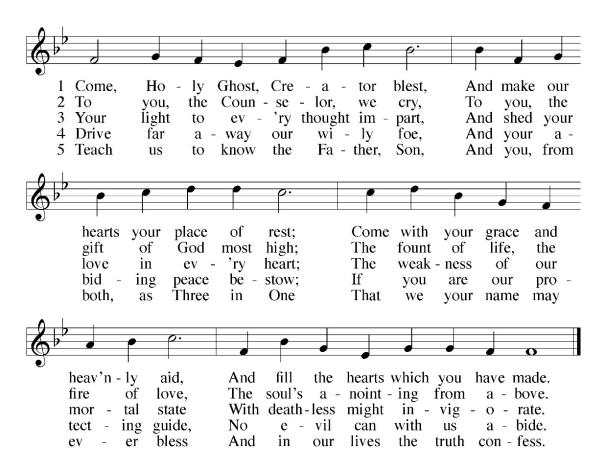
BE SEATED





Text: Heinrich Held, 1620-59, abr.; tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813-96, alt.

Tune: KOMM, O KOMM, DU GEIST DES LEBENS (87 87 77) Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 3rd ed., Meiningen, 1693, alt.



6 Praise we the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, with them One, And may the Son on us bestow The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

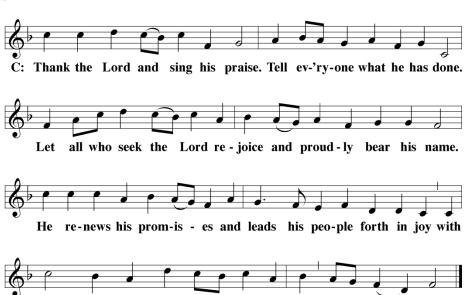
Text: attr. Rhabanus Maurus, 776–856, abr.; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–78, alt.

Tune: KOMM, GOTT SCHÖPFER (LM) Klug, Geistliche lieder auffs new gebessert, Wittenberg, 1533.

THANKSGIVING

THANK THE LORD

STAND



of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Al-le - lu

ia!



shouts

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN (CW 186)

O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God



Text: Johann Niedling, 1602–68, abr., adapt.; tr. John C. Mattes, 1876–1948, alt.
Tune: O JESULEIN SUSS (10 8 88 10) Ausserlesene, Catholische, Geistliche Kirchengesäng, Köln, 1623, alt.

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Personal Prayers for Worship

Before Communion:

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior.

After Communion:

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

O living Bread from heaven, how richly you have fed your guest! The gifts you now have given have filled my heart with joy and rest. Lord, grant me that thus strengthened with heavenly food, while here my course on earth is lengthened, I serve with holy fear. And when you call my spirit to leave this world below, I enter through your merit where joys unmingled flow.

Gluten Free communion wafers: Gluten free communion wafers are available each Sunday during the Lord's Supper. They are placed on the baptismal font at the start of communion. If you require this wafer, please pick it up as you approach the altar.

Weekly Bible Studies

Sunday 8:00 am: Exodus, sanctuary

Tuesday 9:00 am: Kings and Prophets of Israel, lower level

Wednesday 6:30 pm: The Book of James, lower level

Friday 6:00 am: Breakfast 6:00, Bible study 6:45 | The Book of Hebrews

DeForest Family Restaurant (505 W. North Street, DeForest)

Sunday June 8: Day of Pentecost

Worship Service: 9:00 am with Holy Communion

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman: Mike Wilson
- Ushers: Steve and Kira Rehberg
- Counters: Roger LaGrange and Greg Zeman
- Altar Guild: Colleen Biwer
- A/V & Recording: RaeLyn Parker
- Refreshments: Kristin Vomhof

Sunday June 15: First Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Service: 9:00 am with Holy Communion

- Pastor Joel Jenswold
- Pianist: Kristin Huebner
- Councilman: Steve Kalscheuer
- Ushers: Dave and Ben Olson
- Counters: Wayne Kaalberg and Kim Bauer
- Altar Guild: Colleen Biwer
- A/V & Recording: Julie Doyle
- Refreshments: TBD

<u>Happy Birthday</u> We wish God's blessings to Diane Zeman (6/8), Mary Grulke (6/9), Pat Schenck (6/9), John Hill (6/10), Leah Jaeger (6/10), Harper Craney (6/12), Charlotte Rupplinger (6/12), and Hudson Johnson, (6/14) as they celebrate their birthdays this week.

<u>In Our Prayers:</u> Roger LaGrange, Peter Leege, Peg Schroeder, John Schueman, and Bonnie Gotzion who are experiencing difficulties.

A special prayer for all our men & women who are serving in the Armed Forces. Among them are Carter Chavez (grandson of John & Sherry Hill), and Shannon Garrett.

COMING UP AT LORD OF LOVE

June 12: Elders and Deaconess Meeting | 6:30 pm – Fellowship Hall

June 23: Council Meeting | 6:30 pm – Fellowship Hall

June 25: Ladies Friendship Circle Outing to EPIC & Lunch | Meet at Church at 9:00 am

July 4: July 4th Parade | Float Decorating at 8:00 am, Parade line-up at 9:00 am

July 13: Outdoor Worship and Church Picnic

Choir Concert | Today at 4:00 pm at Zion Leeds:

This is a concert Zion's choir does in which they sing anthems covering the whole church year. The concert lasts less than an hour and begins at 4:00 pm with a light lunch served afterwards.

<u>Ladies Friendship Circle Outing to EPIC & Lunch | June 25, 2025 – 10:00 am:</u>

On Wednesday June 25 at 10:00 am, our Ladies Friendship Circle has scheduled a tour of EPIC in Verona with lunch following at Sugar River Pizza. They would like to meet at church at 9:00 am and Carpool. Please see Bonnie Punzel with any questions.

Save the Date: Church Picnic | July 13, 2025 – 10:30 am.

Please mark your calendars for our Summer Outdoor Worship Service & Church Picnic Sunday July 13, 2025. Once again the WELS Wind Ensemble will grace our service with their beautiful music. The Sign-up sheets are now available in the Narthex. Please contact the church office with any questions.

Cleaning Staff Opportunity:

We are seeking for members who might be interested in assisting with cleaning our Church. This is a paid position that allows your choice of once or twice a month, and as needed for special events. For more information and specific details, please contact the Church Office at lochurchoffice@gmail.com or call (608) 846-9036.

Pinewood Derby Track:

We have a Pinewood Derby Track available for free to anyone who is interested. If you have interest and would like to take a look at it, please see Joe Hornbeck or Steve Kalscheuer.



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Office Assistant: Kristin Vomhof, Office hours Tuesday – Friday: 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod - *Christ's Love, Our Calling*.

"I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD." Psalm 122:1



Today's 9:00 service will be recorded including the Service of the Sacrament. Individuals taking communion will not be visible in the recording.