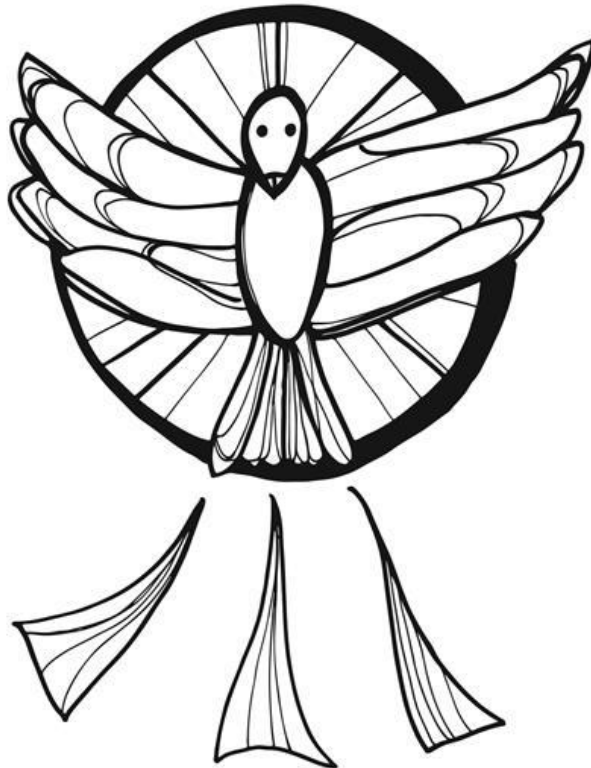


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Day of Pentecost: June 8, 2025



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The Liturgy of Holy Communion

9:00 AM



GATHERING

Announcements

Prelude: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*, arr. Humphrey Turner

Acts 2: 1-4

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P. Alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord fills the world.

C. Let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God. Alleluia!

P. With tongues of fire, the Spirit kindles the apostle's zeal.

C. They declare in new tongues the wonderful works of God.

P. Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

C. And blessed be his kingdom now and forever.

P. Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit!

C. Fill the hearts of your faithful people with your love. Alleluia!

The Entrance Hymn: #627 O DAY FULL OF GRACE

Apostolic Greeting

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

C. And also with you.

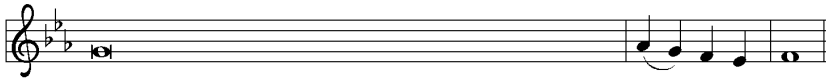
Kyrie



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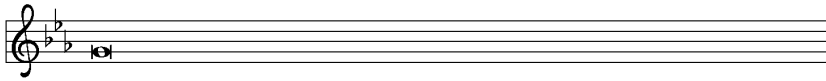
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



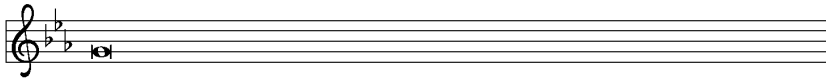
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men, a - men.

This Is the Feast

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



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

2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and

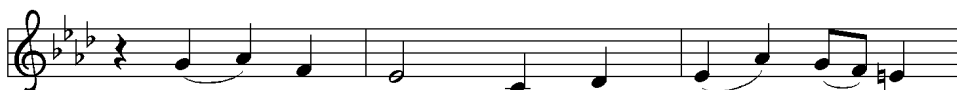
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



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

God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Refrain

The Prayer of the Day:

P. God our creator,

C. 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

(Be Seated)

WORD

The First Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they 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.'

L. The Word of the Lord.

C. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Refrain:



Send forth your Spir - it and re - new the face of the earth.

²⁴How manifold are your | works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full | of your creatures.

²⁵**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too man- | y to number, living things both | small and great.**

²⁶There go the ships | to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the | sport of it.

²⁷**All of them | look to you to give them their food | in due season. R**

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. R**

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! R**

The Second Lesson: Romans 8:14-17

¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!"

¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ--if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

L. The Word of the Lord. C. Thanks be to God.

(please stand)

The Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

The Gospel Lesson: John 14: 8-17, 25-27

P. The Holy Gospel according to John.

C. Glory to you, O Lord, (spoken)

⁸Philip said to him, "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.

L. The Gospel of the Lord.

C. Praise to you, O Christ.

(Be seated)

The Sermon: Rev. Mark Luscombe

[Silence for reflection follows the sermon.]

(Stand)

The Hymn of the Day: #400 GOD OF TEMPEST, GOD OF WHIRLWIND

Nicene Creed

P. Let us affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

C. 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

The Prayers:

A. God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

(Kneel) (after each petition, please respond)

A. Hear us, O God, **C. Your mercy is great.**

P. We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **C. Amen**

P. The Peace of the Lord be with you always! **C. And also with you!**

The Offering: Celebration Choir- As the Wind Song

(Stand)

The Offertory: "Let the Vineyards..."

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be
fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

The Offertory Prayer:

P. Risen One,

C. 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

The Preface Dialogue: THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.**

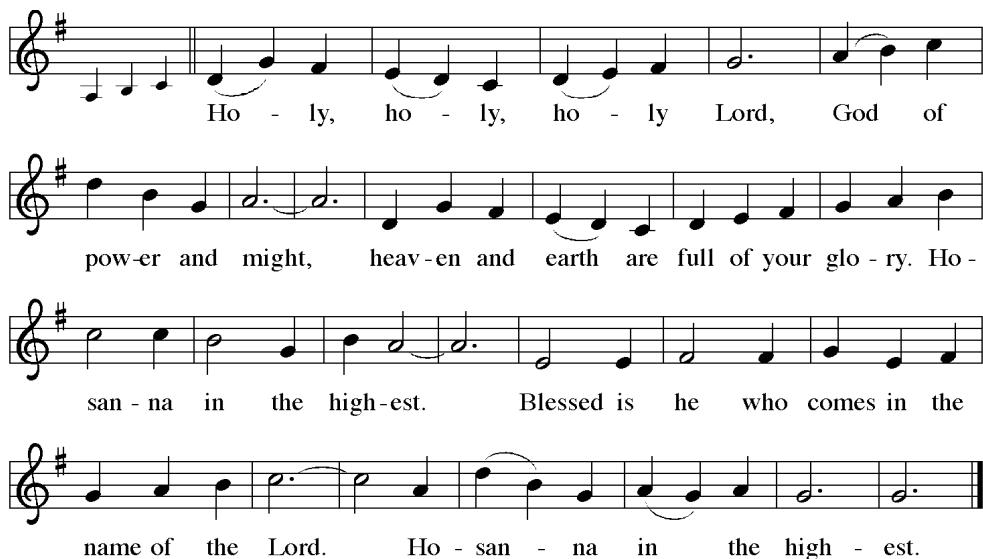
P. Lift up your hearts. **C. We lift them to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Preface for Pentecost

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

The Sanctus:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Eucharistic Prayer:

P. Holy, God, Breath of life and Fire of love:..... Through him all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C. Amen

The Lord's Prayer:

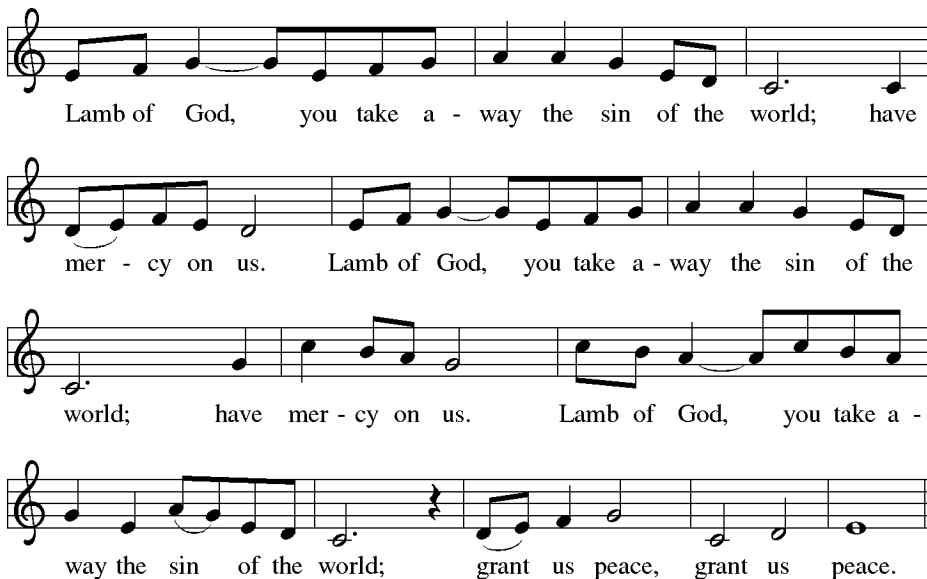
C. Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are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

The Fraction:

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

C. Thanks be to God!

Agnes Dei – LAMB OF GOD



[Please be seated at the conclusion of this hymn.]

The Distribution:

- #487 WHAT FEAST OF LOVE
- #403 LIKE THE MURMUR OF THE DOVE'S SONG
- #470 DRAW US IN THE SPIRIT'S TETHER
- #471 LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER

The Blessing of Communicants:

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

The Post Communion Prayer:

- P. Shepherding God,
- C. **you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen**

The Benediction

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

The Recessional Hymn: #669 RISE UP, O SAINTS OF GOD!

The Dismissal

A. Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

C. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

The Postlude: *Little Prelude in C Major*, J.S. Bach

Please do not forget to fill out a Communion Card. A communion and contribution of record are necessary each year for confirmed Members to maintain their voting status.

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR OUR WORSHIP APPOINTMENTS TODAY:

† To the glory of God and in loving memory of my wife Sue: by Carl Rentschler.

OUR WORSHIPING COMMUNITY

ASSISTING MINISTER: Kathy Kuhns

COUNCIL TEAM:

Norm Wangman, John Fuehrer

LECTOR: John Weiss

ALTAR GUILD

Denise Shirker, Ann & Bob Snader

ACOLYTE: Norm Wangman, Anya Gilbert,
Patrice Mull

USHERS

Dave Bowers, Bob & Ann Snader,
Tom & Kitty Dickersheid

LINEN LAUNDERING: Patricia Fassnacht

DELIVER FLOWERS: Heather Zimmerman

AUDIO-VISUAL

Live Stream

Prayers of the People

Brian Sweigart – The Gardens at Stevens, Rm. 204, 400 Lancaster, Ave. Stevens, PA 17578
Mike Williams – 921 N State St. Ephrata, PA 17522
Peyton Harter – the daughter of a family friend of Mike & Judy Williams
Rick Woerner – 280 Boomerang Dr. Ephrata, PA 17522
Scott Hambleton – friend of Mike & Judy Williams
Barry Kreider – 17 Beech Ct. Ephrata, PA 17522
Brenda Wangman – 445 W 2nd Ave. Apt. 2, Lititz, PA 17543
Alex Godun – Clay & Charlann Brubaker's son-in-law
Jill Puleo – Cheryl Plummer's cousin
Colleen Kresge – friend of Lori Spitzer
All people affected by war
Victims of natural disasters
Shut-ins of the Parish
President Trump and leaders of this nation, leaders and policy makers of every nation
All outreach ministries, serving those in need



If for any reason you enter the hospital, whether outpatient or inpatient, please contact the church office and Pastor Mark. If you wish to be on the prayer list or have a friend or family member needing prayers, please contact the church office.

CONGREGATION REQUEST FOR PRAYER

The office staff does not know the current status of many on the list below. If there is a change in their life circumstance making it possible to remove their name from this list, please let the church office know.

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