

LUTHERAN CHAPEL



2 KINGS 2:1-14 AND JOHN 20:19-23

“THE GIFT OF BREATH AND SPIRIT”

*Come Holy Spirit! Happy birthday Christian Church!
O Holy Spirit, sanctify and give us true peace.*

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

***BOLD** indicates congregational responses.*

** Indicates that all who are able should stand to honor God.*

GATHER

WELCOME

*Who are you? **We are children of God (1 John 3:2).** What is our mission? **The mission of Lutheran Chapel is to share God's love.***

PRELUDE

“Gentle Spirit”

Charles Callahan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRADUATION MILESTONE

Pastor: At this time, we are delighted to acknowledge the following high school and college graduates:

Landon Goedl, Charles “Four” Heilig, Thomas Snowden Morrison, and Harrison Swindler.

We celebrate this next step in your lives with the High School and College Graduation Milestone. We encourage you and all of us to continue the faith practices of caring conversations, devotions and service to build rituals and traditions in all our homes as a way of life. For these graduates, we encourage these practices to be part of your lives even while you are away and embarking on new futures.

On this important day, the day when we mark your leaving high school and college and stepping into new ventures, we ask God's blessing for you and are reminded of this verse from Jeremiah 29:11, “I will bless you with a future filled with hope - a future of success, not of suffering.”

Parents/guardians and congregation, we ask that you make a commitment to lift up, talk about, equip and pray for the ongoing faith journey of these young people. Will you commit to this support? If so answer, “We will and we ask God to help us.”

Parents/Guardians and Congregation: We will and we ask God to help us. (Parents/Guardians place hands on the shoulders of their children.)

Pastor: Let us pray. God of creation, pour out your Spirit on these students as they enter a new period of life and faith. Bless these seniors as they begin new ventures as faithful people, hearing your words, responding in thankfulness by proclaiming your love and grace through words and deeds, and serving all people while doing justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly with God. We pray all this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

RECOGNITION AND PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19b

C: Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-9

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Let us recite the gift of the Ten Commandments and the Great Commandment and use these teachings to examine our lives.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Exodus 20:1-17

1. **You shall have no other gods.**
2. **You shall not make wrongful use of the Name of the LORD your God.**
3. **Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.**
4. **Honor your father and mother.**
5. **You shall not murder.**
6. **You shall not commit adultery.**
7. **You shall not steal.**
8. **You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**
9. **You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**
10. **You shall not covet your neighbor's wife or (husband).**

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

Mark 12:28-31

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength...you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

P: Let us kneel or sit for a time of silent confession and self-examination.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority. I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Spirit Song”

1. O let the Son of God en - fold you with His
 (2. O come and) sing this song with glad - ness as your

Spir - it and His love. Let Him fill your heart and
 hearts are filled with joy. Lift your hands in sweet sur -

sat - is - fy your soul. O let Him have the things that
 ren - der to His name. O give Him all your tears and

hold you, and His Spir - it like a dove will de -
 sad - ness; give Him all your years of pain, and you'll

scend up - on your life and make you whole.
 en - ter in - to life in Je - sus' name.

Je - sus, O Je - sus, come and fill your

lambs. Je - sus, O Je - sus,

come and fill your lambs. O come and

***THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

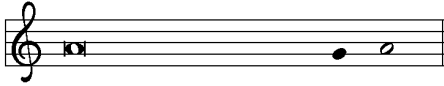
2 Corinthians 13:13

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.

***THE KYRIE**

Mark 10:47



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



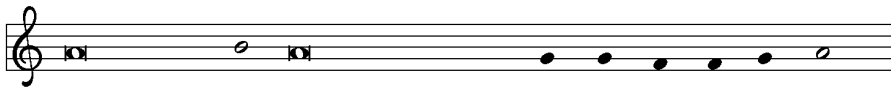
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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 wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. **A - men.**

***THIS IS THE FEAST**

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

All



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



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



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

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the
hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
Final refrain
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain
has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(In Unison)

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

C: 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.

WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

All children who want to come forward for the Children's Message at the front of the church are welcome to do so. Let the little children come unto our Lord always!

STORY OF SALVATION LESSON

2 KINGS 2:1-14

¹Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ²Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. ³The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to

Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

⁴Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. ⁵The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent."

⁶Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. ⁷Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

⁹When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." ¹⁰He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." ¹¹**As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven.** ¹²Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

¹³He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. ¹⁴He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

STORY OF SALVATION TIMELINE

The timeline below offers an overview of the Story of Salvation lesson and Bible in a Year readings from Genesis to Revelation. The + marks where we are now. A memory verse for the week is in bold. Claim the gift for yourself!

*Creation : Fall : Promise : Exodus : Conquest : Judges: + **Kings and Prophets** : Exile :
Restoration : 2nd Temple : JESUS : Apostles : Last Day : New Creation*

PSALM 104

“Send Us Your Spirit”



Text:: David Haas

Music: David Haas, Acc. by Jeanne Cotter

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Come to us, Spirit of God, breath in us now, we sing together.
Spirit of hope and of light, fill our lives, come to us, Spirit of God.

Refrain

Fill us with the fire of your love, burn in us now, bring us together.
Come to us, dwell in us, change our lives, O Lord, come to us, Spirit of God.

Refrain

Send us the wings of new birth, fill all the earth with the love you have taught us.
Let all creation now be shaken with love, come to us, Spirit of God.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

ACTS 2:1-21

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.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] 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.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

John 6:68

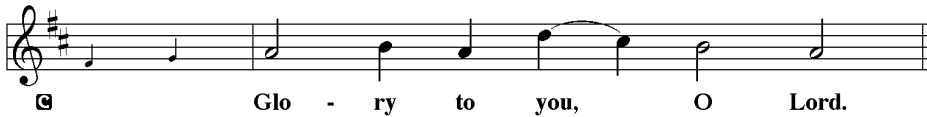


***GOSPEL**

JOHN 20:19-23

Those who are able may stand to honor Christ during the reading of the Gospel.

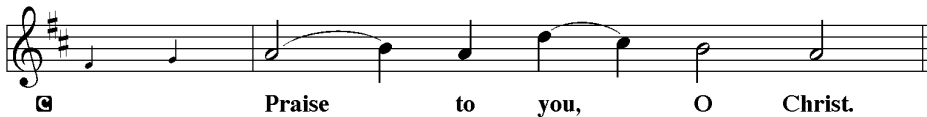
Response after the announcement:



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

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.



MESSAGE

"The Gift of Breath and Spirit"

The Assumption of the Prophet Elijah

The Outpouring of the Holy Spirit Then and Now

The Law is an aspect in the Word that shows our brokenness, sin and need for Jesus' saving power: Do we sneer at the gift of the Spirit within and among us? Do we take the gifts of breath and Spirit for granted?

The Gospel is an aspect in the Word that gives strength, wisdom and hope in Jesus' ultimate saving power: The Holy Spirit is in us and among us empowering and equipping Jesus' people to the glory of the Father now and forever.

So What? How have you experienced the Holy Spirit? Pray for the Holy Spirit to help, comfort, strengthen and dwell in us throughout our journey of life.

*HYMN OF THE DAY

“Hail Thee, Festival Day!”

Refrain

Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day to be hal - lowed for - ev - er;
 day when our Lord was raised, break - ing the king - dom of death.
 Bright and in like - ness of fire, on those who a - wait his ap - pear - ing,
 God the Al - might - y, the Lord, the rul - er of earth and the heav - ens,
 Spir - it of life and of pow'r, now flow in us, fount of our be - ing,
 he whom the Lord has fore - told sud - den - ly, swift - ly de - scends:
 guard us from harm with - out; cleanse us from e - vil with - in:
 light that en - light - ens us all, life that in all may a - bide:
 Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! Blest day to be hal - lowed for - ev - er;
 day when our Lord was raised, break - ing the king - dom of death.
 Dai - ly the love - li - ness grows, a - dored with the glo - ry of blos - som;
 Je - sus, the health of the world, en - light - en our minds, great re - deem - er,
 Praise to the giv - er of good! O Lov - er and Au - thor of con - cord,
 heav - en its gates now un - bars, fling - ing its in - crease of light: —
 Son of the Fa - ther su - preme, on - ly - be - got - ten of God: —
 pour out your balm on our days; or - der our ways in your peace: —

To Refrain

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 Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872 - 1958
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AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Presentation

I present *Will Clark* and *Lillian Robinson* who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

Profession of Faith

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Confirmand: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Confirmand: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Confirmand: I renounce them.

All are invited to confess our faith in God: Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

And 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

sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

Affirmation in the Presence of the Assembly

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism:

- to live among God's faithful people
- to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper.
- to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
- to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and, to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Confirmand: I do and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support our brother and sister and pray for them in their life in Christ?

Congregation: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Those affirming their baptism and confirming faith in Christ may kneel at the altar. The minister may lay both hands on the head of each one and pray:

Stir up in Will and Lillian the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in Your Presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

Those making affirmation stand and face the assembly. A representative of the congregation may give gifts and the rite concludes –

Let us rejoice with our brother and sister in Christ.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

1 Timothy 2:1-4

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

*A brief silence may be kept. Each prayer will conclude: Lord in Your mercy, and the congregation may respond **Hear our prayers.***

Prayers are commended in Jesus' Name.

AM: All these prayers and whatever else You see that we need we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

Matthew 5:22-24: Ephesians 4:1-3

P: Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace.

2 Corinthians 13:11

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

C: And also with you.

ANTHEM

"Come, Flood This Heart of Mine"

CHANCEL CHOIR

David Lantz III

Come flood this heart of mine with Your great love divine.

Come, Spirit, make Your home, my heart is Yours alone

Come flood this heart of mine with Your pure joy divine.

My every sin forgive as one with You I live.

Come fill my heart, I am longing for Your power.

Your presence and peace will be mine this very hour.

Come fill my heart with Your Spirit in this place.

Let my heart overflow with the fullness of Your grace.

Make of this heart of mine a vessel wholly Thine.

Drive dark and doubt away, O fill me, Lord, I pray.

THE MEAL

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136

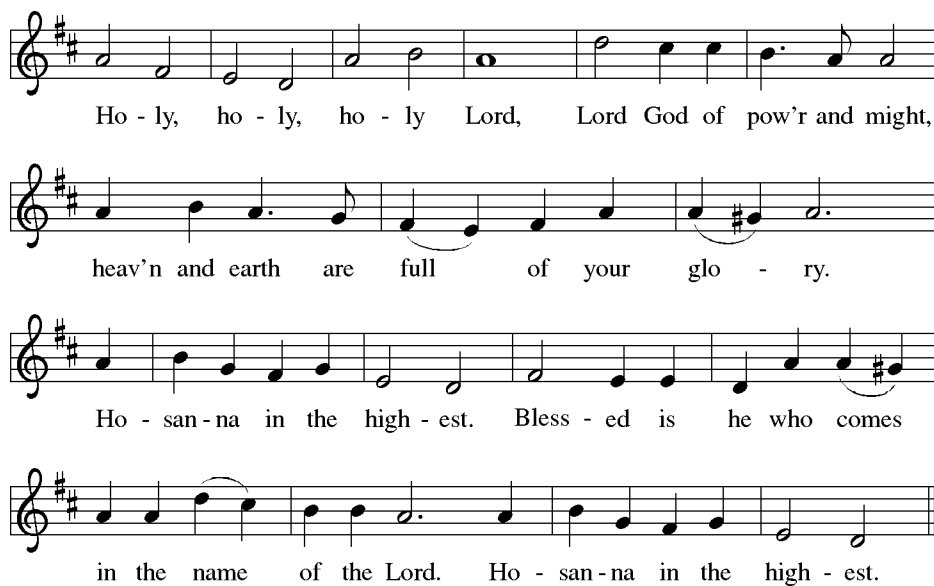
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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 FOR THE DAY AND THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY** *Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

***THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION** *Matthew 26, Mark 14, Luke 22, 1 Corinthians 11*

P: In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is My body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of Me.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9-13

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**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.**

***LAMB OF GOD**

John 1:29

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

***DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

All baptized Christians are welcome to Holy Communion. Here we receive forgiveness, the gift of abiding in Jesus, the remembrance of His sacrificial love for us on the Cross, and the promise of eternal life (Luke 24:13-35, John 6:22-59, 1 Cor. 11:23-26). Please request grape juice or gluten free bread if needed. Taste and see the LORD is good (Psalm 34:8)!

Please take your communion cup as you leave and discard in trashcan.

P: This is the body of Christ given for you. This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”

ELW #403

“Spirit of the Living God”

(see insert)

SENDING

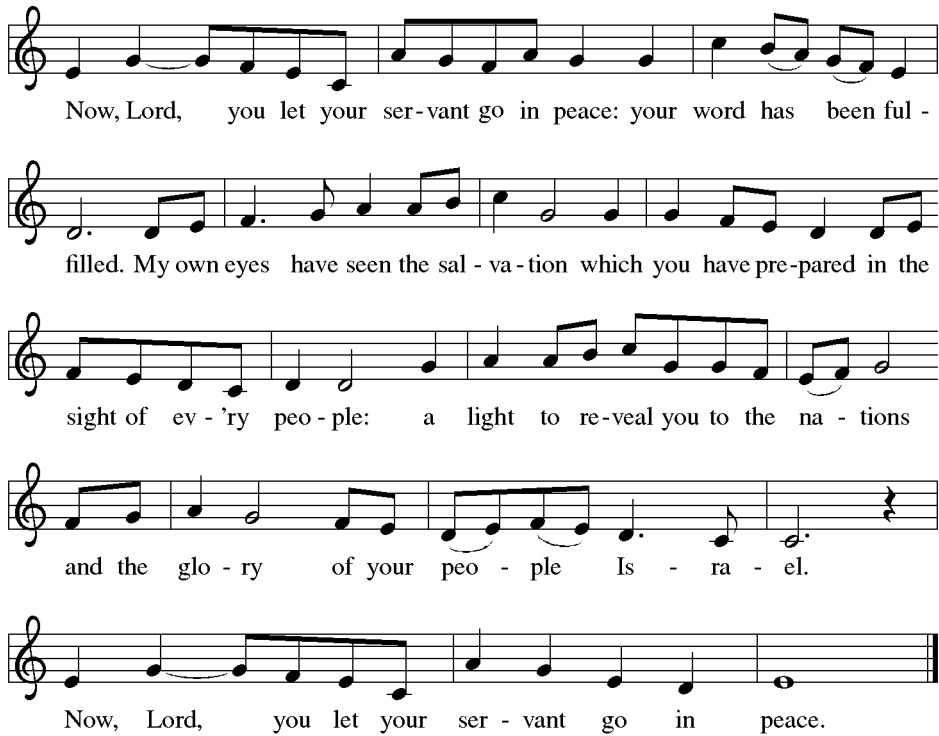
***THE BLESSING**

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

***SONG OF SIMEON**

Luke 2:29-32



Now, Lord, you let your ser-vant go in peace: your word has been ful -
filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre-pared in the
sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: a light to re-veal you to the na - tions
and the glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace.

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

AM: 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.

C: Amen.

***BENEDICTION**

1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen - te -
 2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
 3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
 4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's

cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
 pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
 leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
 rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,

past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
 let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
 for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
 may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;

there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
 kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
 make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
 claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

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***DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Toccata Brevis”

Daniel E. Gawthrop

† † † † † † † †

OUR ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God by Steve Bell in memory of Ma Bell.

THOSE SERVING AT LUTHERAN CHAPEL TODAY

- MinistersPeople of Lutheran Chapel
- Pastor.....Michael Comer
- Administrative Assistant..... Kim Rundzieher
- Director of Music Ministries.....Kathie Riebe
- Assistant Minister Nancy Witman
- Lector Norman Overcash
- Acolyte.....Hunter Clark
- CruciferWill Clark
- Head Ushers.....Steve Clark and Ervin Hoffman
- First Aid/AED/CPR Crown Hoffman
- Council Members of the Month..... Jason Sanders & Keith Yarborough

PARISH NEWS

NURSERY ATTENDANTS BY REQUEST: If your family is in need of a nursery attendant during the 10:00 service, please let our ushers know and they will contact one of our standby attendants.

WORSHIP AT THE LAKE: Join us on **June 4 at 10:00** for our **Rankin Lake Worship Service**. A catered meal from Grandma Hoyt will be provided. Please bring chairs and anything needed to enjoy time together at the park. All are welcome!

CLOSING OF HERITAGE OAKS: Due to troubles and unsustainable expenses, Heritage Oaks will be closing. For years our Chapel Class and fellowship have given gifts and support to the residents there. At the end of May all gifts given will be distributed and this outreach ended. Items that are always needed: *bathing wipes, body wash, baby powder, fluoride toothpaste, mouth rinse, rash care cream, and soft drinks such as Ginger Ale*. Please pray for our Father in Heaven to bless the residents as new living situations are sought and during the transitions that will occur.

OWLS: OWLS: Our next *OWL-standing* time of fellowship will be held at **Bright Star** in Mt. Holly on **Thursday, June 15 at 11:00am**. We hope you'll join us.

CAN TABS FOR KIDS: The preschool is collecting soda pop tabs for Shriners Children's Hospital of Greenville, SC until September 8, 2023. All tabs collected will be donated to help the Shriners improve the lives of children by providing pediatric care and innovative research.

One Day Vacation Bible School

When: June 10

Time: 8:45-9:00 am (drop off)

Until 5:00 pm

Family Cookout Beginning at 5:00pm!

****For children that have completed Kindergarten through Fifth Grade****



Use this *QR Code* to register by **June 1**

DAILY PRAYER

EACH MORNING AND EVENING, PRAY TO THE LORD. (*Psalm 1:2*) Prayer lists and roster, Psalter readings, daily Bible lessons, and a song of praise are below.

PRAYER LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP: Faye Anne Boyette, Ann Edwards, Kathy Finch, Henry Hoffman, Dru Huffstickler, Leon Moretz, Betty Petty, Nancy Rankin, Doug Rhyne, Bill & Kay Robinson, Pat & Barbara Robinson, Bob Thornburg, Joe Veale, and Myra Weaver

FRIENDS OF THE FELLOWSHIP: Fran Angstadt, Sam Bell, Rick Belton, Carol Bridges, Deborah Carpenter, Doris Coggins, Mary Collins, Tucker Doyne, Jameson Franklin, Alice Hanks, Jonnie Heavner, Wade Huss, Rick Knowles, Deane Morehead, Rita Pasour, Brooks Reeder, Paul Rundzieher, Frank Sanders, Dakota Shuford, Diane Shytle, Bishop Tim Smith, **Christy Carpenter Smith**, Charlene Sorenson, and Jeannie Trayband

To share concerns and updates for the prayer list you can contact the church office (704-864-6491) or call/text Pastor Comer (704-787-6439).

FEAST OF PSALMS: *Pentecost*

	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
AM	8	33	48	51, 68	93	104	145
PM	29	46	50	87	96, 97	111, 113	148, 150

THE BIBLE IN A YEAR - Week 22 May 28 to June 4, 2023

05/28 Morning Reading: John 10:24-42—Evening Reading: 2 Chronicles 4, 5, 6

05/29 Morning Reading: John 11:1-29—Evening Reading: 2 Chronicles 7, 8, 9

05/30 Morning Reading: John 11:30-57—Evening Reading: 2 Chronicles 10, 11, 12

05/31 Morning Reading: John 12:1-26—Evening Reading: 2 Chronicles 13, 14

06/01 Morning Reading: John 12:27-50—Evening Reading: 2 Chronicles 15, 16

06/02 Morning Reading: John 13:1-20—Evening Reading: 2 Chronicles 17, 18

06/03 Morning Reading: John 13:21-38—Evening Reading: 2 Chronicles 19, 20

06/04 Morning Reading: John 14—Evening Reading: 2 Chronicles 21, 22

Traditional Song: “Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire” ELW #473

Sing a New Song: “Spirit Song” W&P #130

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Wednesday, May 31 ~ Evening Prayer

1 Corinthians 11:26-32 *“The Foretaste of the Feast to Come - the Future Coming of Jesus”*

Thursday, June 1 ~ Story of Salvation Bible Study

2 Kings 2:1-14 *“The Assumption of Elijah”*

Sunday, June 4 ~ Holy Trinity ~ Holy Communion ~ Worship at Rankin Lake

2 Kings 17:6-23 and Matthew 28:16-20 *“Holy Trinity 2023”*

CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK
SUNDAY, MAY 28 - SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2023

- Sun-28** 8:30 am Fellowship
 9:00 am Bible Study/Sunday School
 10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)
 11:30 am Chancel Choir
 8:00 pm Faith Group (Fellowship Hall)
- Mon-29** *Memorial Day ~ Office Closed*
- Tues-30** 8:30 am Preschool
 10:00 am Clothing Closet Workday
- Wed-31** 8:30 am Preschool
 6:00 pm Chapel Ringers
 7:00 pm Evening Service (Chapel)
- Thur-01** 8:30 am Last Day of Preschool
 10:00 am Story of Salvation Bible Study (Library)
- Sat-03** 9:30 am Hungry Peeps Support Group (Fellowship Hall)

