



*June 5, 2022*

*Day of Pentecost*



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### Welcome to Worship...

Welcome to all God's guests, including those who call themselves "members" of this church named Ascension Lutheran Church more than 60 years ago.

A special welcome to guests who are here for the first time or who call yourselves "visitors" among the people of this community. It is at God's invitation, through worship, the Holy Spirit calls each of us to come to a place of **community**, **communion** and **commitment**. Each of us brings a different lens to worship, and yet, in a worshiping community, these differences become celebrations of diversity.

#### *Introduction*

*Pentecost is a day of promises fulfilled. The promised Spirit of God is poured out. The baptized have become "children of God" and "joint heirs with Christ." By the power of the Spirit we have seen the face of the Father in his only begotten Son and been saved by him. Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

### *Welcome to Worship*

#### *Call to Worship*

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

*P* The Day of Pentecost is here! God's children have gathered in this place:

***All*** we are transformed into God's family by God's Spirit joining with ours.

*P* Come, Spirit of adoption, and open our hearts to our sisters and brothers:

***All*** Come, Holy Spirit!

*P* Come, Spirit of peace, and calm our trembling hearts:

**All** Come, Holy Spirit!

*P* Come, Breath of God, and overturn our conventional lives:

**All** Come, Holy Spirit!

### *Confession and Forgiveness*

*P* Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
the God of manna,  
the God of miracles,  
the God of mercy.

**All** Amen

*P* Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,  
let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God our provider,

**All** help us.

**It is hard to believe there is enough to share.**

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways  
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you.**

**We take offense at your teachings and your ways.**

**Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn?**

**Share with us the words of eternal life**

**and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

*P* Beloved people of God:

in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.

By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.

Through Jesus, ✝ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy:  
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

**All** Amen.

## *Opening Song*

# Kyrie Eleison

### Refrain

Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way.  
Kyrie eleison, ev'ry day.

- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;  
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.
- 2 That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;  
that we may live out truth and justice and grace,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.
- 4 For your spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the word;  
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,  
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

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## *Greeting*

*P* The Lord be with you

**All** And also with you.

## *Prayer of the Day*

*P* God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples  
of earth.

**All** 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.

[You may be Seated](#)

## *A Reading from Acts, the 2nd chapter*

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

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

<sup>14</sup>But 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. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>'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.

<sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women,

in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ”

*Acts 2:1-21*

L The word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God!**

*A Reading from Romans, the 8th chapter*

*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 new names in our adoption: brother, sister, child of God.*

<sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For 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!” <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and 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.

*Romans 8:14-17*

L The word of the Lord

**All Thanks be to God!**

*Gospel Acclamation*

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

♪ ♪ Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. ♪ ♪  
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

## *Gospel Reading*

*P* The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 14th chapter.

**All** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*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 promises the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.*

<sup>8</sup> Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied."

<sup>9</sup> Jesus 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'? <sup>10</sup> Do 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. <sup>11</sup> Believe 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. <sup>12</sup> Very 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. <sup>13</sup> I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

<sup>15</sup> "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup> This 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.

<sup>25</sup> "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But 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. <sup>27</sup> Peace 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."

*John 14:8--27*

*P* The Gospel of our Lord.

**All** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

[You may be Seated](#)

*Hymn of the Day**Please stand in body or spirit.***Spirit of Gentleness***Refrain*

**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
 blow through the wilderness calling and free;  
 Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
 stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**

- 1 You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,  
 then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;  
 and over the eons you called to each thing:  
 "Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." *Refrain*
- 2 You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,  
 and you goaded your people with a law and a land;  
 and when they were blinded with idols and lies,  
 then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. *Refrain*
- 3 You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,  
 then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;  
 and down in the city you called once again,  
 when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. *Refrain*
- 4 You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.  
 From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;  
 our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.  
 With bold new decisions your people arise. *Refrain*

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*Nicene Creed*

- P** Let us join together with the saints across the ages confessing our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed.



**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.**

## *Prayers of Intercession*

L Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

♪ ♪ The Spirit intercedes for us  
with sign too deep for words to express. Oh, oh. ♪ ♪

*(each prayer petition ends with)*

L: God, in your mercy...      **All: You hear our prayer.**

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

## *Passing of the Peace*

P Christ become peace with you.

**All And also with you.**

## *Offering*

*You may be Seated*

♪ ♪ Praise God from whom all blessings flow. ♪ ♪  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise God above! Praise God above ye Heav'nly Host!  
Praise the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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## *Offertory Prayer*

P Let us pray:

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.

**All Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts:  
our selves, our time, and our possessions.**

**Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love,  
through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ,  
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## *The Great Thanksgiving and Words of Institution*

P The Lord be with you

**All And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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.

P 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*

P Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:

**All 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.**

## *The Invitation*

*P* The risen Christ dwells with us here.  
All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

Note: the communion cups on the periphery of the tray contain red wine while the cups in the center contain white grape juice.

*Gluten Free wafers available –ask the communion attendant*



## *Communion Songs*

## **Spirit Song**

Verse 1

Oh let the Son of God enfold you  
With His Spirit and His love  
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul  
Oh let Him have those things that hold you  
And His Spirit like a dove  
Will descend upon your life and make you whole

Chorus

Jesus oh Jesus Come and fill Your lambs  
Jesus oh Jesus Come and fill Your lambs

Verse 2

Oh come and sing this song with gladness  
As your hearts are filled with joy  
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name  
Oh give Him all your tears and sadness  
Give Him all your years of pain  
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name

Chorus

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# Holy Spirit, Rain Down

Refrain

Holy Spirit, rain down, rain down;  
O Comforter and Friend, how we need your touch again;  
Holy Spirit, rain down, rain down;  
let your power fall, let your voice be heard,  
come and change our hearts as we stand on your word;  
Holy Spirit, rain down. (2nd time to Ending)

Verse

No eye has seen, no ear has heard,  
no mind can know what God has in store.  
So open up heaven, open it wide,  
over your church and over our lives. *Refrain*

Ending

Let Your power fall let Your voice be heard  
Come and change our hearts as we stand on Your Word  
Holy Spirit rain down

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## *Post Communion Blessing and Prayer*

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

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

***All*** **Amen**

*P* We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more.

***All*** **Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. Amen.**

*Please be seated for  
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*Benediction*

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

*P* The blessing of the living God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit,  
surround and sustain you, keep you from harm,  
and fill you with courage.

**All Amen.**

*Sending Song*

**Send Down the Fire**

*Refrain*

**Send down the fire of your justice, send down the rains of your love;  
come, send down the Spirit, breathe life in your people,  
and we shall be people of God.**

1 Call us to be your compassion, teach us the song of your love;  
Give us hearts that sing, give us deeds that ring,  
Make us ring with the song of your love.

2. Call us to learn of your mercy, teach us the way of your peace;  
Give us hearts that feel, give us hands that heal,  
Make us walk in the way of your peace. *Refrain*

3. Call us to answer oppression, teach us the fire of your truth;  
Give us righteous souls, til your justice rolls,  
Make us burn with the fir of your truth.

4 Call us to witness your kingdom, give us the presence of Christ;  
May your holy light keep us shining bright,  
Ever shine with the presence of Christ. *Refrain*

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## *Dismissal*

*P* Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;  
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

*1 Thessalonians 5:16-1*

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

**All Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Readings for next Sunday,  
June 12  
Trinity Sunday

**First Reading:**

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

**Psalm:**

Psalm 8

**Second Reading:**

Romans 5:1-5

**Gospel:**

John 16:12-15

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