



**Grace Lutheran Church**  
**Hastings, Michigan**

# Day of Pentecost

May 31, 2020

*Pentecost Sunday is the 50<sup>th</sup> day of Easter. It is the commemoration of the Holy Spirit's arrival after Jesus' ascension. The Holy Spirit is represented by the symbols of fire, wind and dove. The color is red signifying fire.*

**THE SPIRIT INVITES US TO COME TO WORSHIP!** We have gathered in many ways for worship today. Some of us are in our homes, as we worship watching the LIVESTREAM. Some of us are attending worship in an outdoor setting, as we are on the telephone praising God in this way. Some of us are watching the recorded worship other than a Sunday morning. The Holy Spirit draws us together as we are separated one from another. Let us be enriched by giving praise and glory to God through our worship today.

## Announcements

*Holy Silence is observed as we enter to worship.*

## Gathering Music

### Easter Greeting

*The pastor and the assembly greet each other.*

- ☐ Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- ☑ **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
  
- ☐ The grace and peace of Jesus Christ, who was raised from the dead to bring everlasting hope, be with you.
- ☑ **And also with you.**



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, and in our hearts your  
 2 Left to our - selves, we sure - ly stray; oh, lead us on the  
 3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, let your good Word in



work be - gin, and make our hearts your dwell - ing. Sun of the soul,  
 nar - row way, with wis - est coun - sel guide us; and give us stead -  
 doubt and strife be in us strong - ly burn - ing, that we be faith -



O Light di - vine, a - round and in us bright - ly shine, your strength  
 fast - ness, that we may fol - low you for - ev - er free, no mat -  
 ful un - to death and live in love and ho - ly faith, from you



in us up - well - ing. In your ra - diance life from heav - en now is  
 ter who de - rides us. Gent - ly heal those hearts now bro - ken; give some  
 true wis - dom learn - ing. Lord, your mer - cy on us show - er; by your



giv - en o - ver - flow - ing, gift of gifts be - yond all know - ing.  
 to - ken you are near us, whom we trust to light and cheer us.  
 pow - er Christ con - fess - ing, we will cher - ish all your bless - ing.

### Prayer of the Day

🔊 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.

*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.*

📖 A reading from **Acts**:

<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.' "

📖 Word of God, word of life.

🙏 **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b



<sup>24</sup>How manifold are your | works, O LORD!

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

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

**<sup>26</sup>There go the ships | to and fro,  
and Leviathan, which you made for the | sport of it.**

**<sup>27</sup>All of them | look to you  
to give them their food | in due season. ☩**

<sup>28</sup>You give it to them; they | gather it;  
you open your hand, and they are filled | with good things.

<sup>29</sup>When you hide your face, | they are terrified;  
when you take away their breath, they die and return | to their dust.

**<sup>30</sup>You send forth your Spirit, and they | are created;  
and so you renew the face | of the earth.**

**<sup>31</sup>May the glory of the LORD en- | dure forever;  
O LORD, rejoice in | all your works. ☩**

<sup>32</sup>You look at the earth | and it trembles;  
you touch the mountains | and they smoke.

<sup>33</sup>I will sing to the LORD as long | as I live;  
I will praise my God while I | have my being.

**<sup>34</sup>May these words of | mine please God.  
I will rejoice | in the LORD.**

**<sup>35b</sup>Bless the LORD, | O my soul.  
Hal- | lelujah ☩**

## Second Reading

## 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

*Paul is helping the Corinthians understand the relationship between our God-given unity and Spirit-created diversity. The Spirit creates the unity of faith and gives all Christians diverse gifts for the common benefit of all. We need one another's diverse spiritual gifts because the same Spirit has given them to each person for the common good.*

📖 A reading from **1 Corinthians**:

<sup>3b</sup>No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

📖 Word of God, word of life.

🎵 **Thanks be to God.**

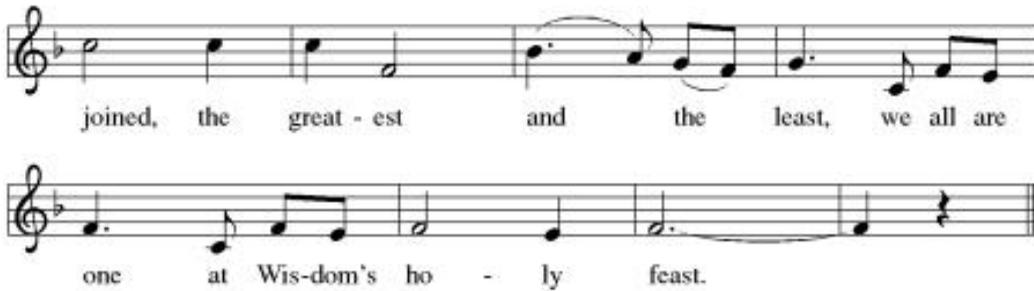
## Gospel Acclamation

## We Eat the Bread of Teaching

ELW 518

*Refrain*

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The first staff is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the lyrics: 'We eat the bread of teach-ing, drink wine of wis-dom, are'. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics: 'giv-en here a taste of the king-dom. To-geth-er'. The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with a final cadence on the second staff.



## Gospel Reading

**John 20:19-23**

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

- ☐ The Holy Gospel, according to **John**.
- ☑ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup>When 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.” <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

- ☐ The Gospel of the Risen Christ.
- ☑ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Children’s Time

*All children [including infants] and youth who desire to come forward for the children’s sermon are welcomed and encouraged to do so. Parents/caregivers are welcome to accompany their child during the children’s message. There may be a time of dance and celebration that is offered.*

## Message

*Silence for reflection*

### Song of the Day

### O Living Breath of Heaven

ELW 407



- 1 O liv-ing Breath of God, wind at the be-gin - ning up-on the wa - ters;
- 2 O liv-ing Breath of God, by whose pow'r the Son came to birth a - mong us;
- 3 O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing us to life through bap-tis-mal wa - ters;



- O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing the cre - a - tion to won-drous birth:  
O liv-ing Breath of God, who to the cre - a - tion gives life a - new:  
O liv-ing Breath of God, sigh-ing with cre - a - tion for free-dom's birth:

#### *Refrain*



Come now, and fill our spir - its; pour out your gifts a - bun - dant.



O liv-ing Breath of God, Ho-ly Spir-it, breathe in us as we pray.

## Apostles Creed

**Ⓐ** We confess our faith as one body in Christ Jesus:

**☒** **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.\*  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**



*Garcia (Burdicks), Brandon and Stevi Kay Miller (McManaway), Brady Rudesill (Hansen), Joel Taggart (Varkulas), Kayla and Lance Champaco (Pohls), and Julia Ehredt (Schrieners, Halsteads).* Lord, in your mercy.

**☪ (sung) Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole: peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.**

**Ⓐ** We call on your spirit of healing. Bless nurses, doctors, midwives, chaplains, counselors, and hospice workers as they care for those in need. We pray for all who long for comfort including *Dave Bolton, Gary Burdick, Donna Buehl, Penny Burdick, Chris Bush, Ellie Clark, Ron Coptin, Irene Corr, Sue Eifler, Mike Fruth, Karl Golnek, in thanksgiving for Ethan being born healthy to Danielle Gorman, Delmer Hansen, Larry Hansen, Mike Hoppe, Phyllis Hoppe, Lee Hoppe, family of Richard Meade, Corrina Palmer, Mike Shoemaker, David and Victoria Steadman, Tim Sullivan, Jackie Tolles, George Ulrich Jr., Jenni Ulrich, The Pat Wagner Family, The Leroy Westphal Family, Rusty Wilkins, those involved in medical care and research during this pandemic of coronavirus, Cameron, Eddie, Vicky, Nora, Lynnze, and Tristin.* Lord, in your mercy.

**☪ (sung) Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole: peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.**

**Ⓐ** God of all generations, we praise you and thank you for children of all ages. From those who are days old to our oldest member here at Grace of 100 years old. We ask you to help us be open to your direction as we seek a Youth and Family Committee chair. We thank you for our interim chair. Lord, in your mercy.

**☪ (sung) Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole: peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.**

**Ⓐ** We call on your spirit of friendship. As Elizabeth welcomed Mary to her home, give us a spirit of welcome to those whom we meet in this congregation and outside these doors. Surprise us daily with unexpected grace, that we rejoice in every blessing you send.

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

**Ⓐ** We call on your spirit of hope. As you have led your saints in all times and places, stir in us the desire to follow their example, leading us from death to new life in you. Lord, in your mercy.

**☪ (sung) Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord, make us whole: peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayer.**

**Ⓟ** With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

**☪ Amen.**

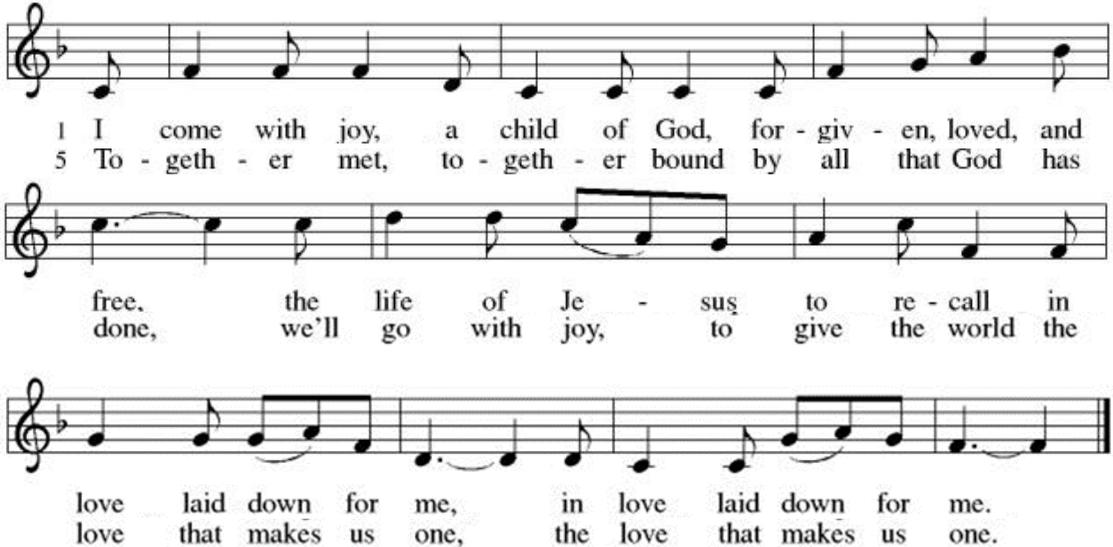
**Offering of Gifts and Music**

## Offering Song

## I Come with Joy

ELW 482

Stanzas 1 & 5



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and  
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has  
free, the life of Je - sus to re - call in  
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the  
love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.  
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

## Offering Prayer

- Let us pray . . . Be known to us, O Lord, as you were made known to the disciples.
- Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.**

## Sharing the Peace

- The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.
- And also with you.**

*(We share the peace of the risen Lord with one another.)*

## Lord's Prayer

- Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- Our Father in heaven, holy 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.**

## Mission Minutes

### Blessing

- Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**
- The blessing of the Lord God Almighty, the blessing of + Christ, the Lamb who was slain, and the blessing of the Holy Spirit of truth be among you and remain with you always.
- Amen.**



1 O day full of grace that now we see ap - pear - ing on  
 2 O day full of grace, O bless - ed time, our Lord on the  
 3 For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, when he on the  
 4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, the Spir - it new  
 5 When we on that fi - nal jour - ney go that Christ is for



earth's ho - ri - zon, bring light from our God that we may  
 earth ar - riv - ing; then came to the world that light sub -  
 cross was hang - ing; and then he a - rose and moved the  
 life re - veal - ing, that we might no more in death be  
 us pre - par - ing, we'll gath - er in song, our hearts a -



be a - bun - dant in joy this sea - son. God, shine for us  
 lime, great joy for us all re - triev - ing; for Je - sus all  
 stone, that we, un - to him be - long - ing, might join with an -  
 lost, its pow'r o - ver us dis - pel - ling. This flame will the  
 glow, all joy of the heav - ens shar - ing, and there we will



now in this dark place; your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.  
 mor - tals did em - brace, all shame and des - pair re - mov - ing.  
 gel - ic hosts to raise our voic - es in end - less sing - ing,  
 mark of sin ef - face and bring to us all true heal - ing,  
 join God's end - less praise, with an - gels and saints a - dor - ing.

### Dismissal

**P** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C** Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

**A** You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## A Holy Rumbling

Helene's foot pressed down; her heel held long and steady on the organ's pedal board. The bellows in the basement blew air through ducts up to the biggest pipes, and there was a rumble. A rumble that wiggled lead in the windows. A rumble that wobbled the chandelier, rattled coins in the offering plates, and made the walls shudder. A rumble that troubled the baptismal font waters and stirred flames on altar candles. And it was a rumble that resonated in the hearts of that little church assembly every Sunday when, before their last amen, the congregation began to breathe the words and melody of the hymn they knew by heart:

Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life anew,  
that I may love all that you love and do what you would do.

Then the doors were opened. Women picked up their purses, children collected their crayons, the men stretched their legs. A voice sounded: "Go in peace. Serve the Lord." And the people said, "Thanks be to God."

Jesus joined the disciples and said, "Peace be with you" (John 20:19, 21). How could it be? The doors were locked. The disciples had assembled in fear. The light of day was spent. How could it be that he entered into such a place, where the end of so much had made no room for peace? And how did it happen that though they were crowded into hiding and imprisoned by walls of sadness, peace came to be with them?

We, too, are visited by the holy mystery of the Spirit of God despite the closed doors of our hearts, minds, and lives. It is the sudden rumbling of the Spirit—the divine breath that first gave life to creation—that stirs us to pray:

Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life anew,  
that I may love all that you love and do what you would do.  
—Edwin Hatch, 1835–1889

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## Stewardship Information

Views:

Weekly Giving: \$2,101.00

Budget Amount: \$4,617.93

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**Executive Committee** meets this Tuesday at 6:00 pm via teleconference. Phone number and access code is listed in the announcement for Adult Forum.

**Adult Forum** will continue a study on the book of **Acts** on Wednesday at 7:00 pm. Join us on the conference call, as we share in discussion the miraculous gift of the beginning our Christian church. **Phone: 605-313-5981 Access Code: 772653#**

**ACH is available.** On our website, you will notice a donate tab. The **credit card donations are now able to be utilized.** Now you can use your checking or savings account or your credit card. Look for the link on our website [www.grace-hastings.org](http://www.grace-hastings.org)

**Money Counters Needed.** With the coronavirus pandemic, we have a need to have additional money counters. With health conditions and high-risk factors, we currently only have 1 money counter available. If you are able and willing to count, it would be of immense help.

**When ONSITE worship begins, we will test run how it works at the 8:00 am service only.** Please see detailed announcement on the next page.

Worship needs to be a safe place (or as safe as we can make it), which means wearing a mask. To help keep the larger community safe, we ask that you maintain at least a 6-foot distance from those who are not part of your household. Thank you for loving your neighbor.

**Are you hungry for Holy Communion?** Starting June 1, 2020, we will offer “private” communion in the fellowship hall at 3:00 pm. *You must call ahead to reserve your station.* There are only 9 communion stations available each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday. Every station can hold up to 4 people. Each station must be from the same household. **Please call 269.945.9414 for your reservation day,** tell the number of people who will be with you at the communion station. There will be scripture reading, a devotional and communion. The shortened service will be approximately 15 minutes in length.

**Assisting Minister – Vickey Argo**

**Lector – Joe Longcor**

**Cantor – Anna Scheck**

**Musician – Cindy Olson**

**Pastor – Ken Scheck II**

*Ascribe to the Lord all glory! Shout praise to God's holy name. Come before our great God. Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness. **1 Chronicles 16:29***

Onsite Worship on 21 June 2020 is scheduled for regular 8:00 am service only. **Our 10:45 am service will continue to be online and teleconference.** If you are uncomfortable with coming to the building, please continue to worship using our conference call and LIVESTREAM. **Adult Forum** will continue to meet on **Wednesdays at 7:00 pm**.

Reminders: ***If you are sick, please stay home. Please take care of the larger community as well as yourself.***

**Masks** need to be worn, as mandated by order.

If you bring a **coat**, please keep it with you. You can put it **on** the pew beside you.

**Worship Folders** will be available on a table near the Greeters.

**Baptismal Font** will have no water, until we are able to put some in it.

**Seating in the Sanctuary** will be marked with social distancing in mind. There will be no **paper, pencils or hymnals** in the pews.

**No Singing in the Sanctuary.** The National Council of Churches has studies that demonstrate that the six feet distancing is not enough to allow singing in the sanctuary for public worship, even with a mask on. The 8:00 am worship will have music. There will be no assembly singing at this service.

**Offering** – There will be an offering plate near the entrance of the sanctuary, please drop your offering in the plate before or after worship; much like noisy offering. The offering plate outside the office will continue to be there, for those who do not come to onsite worship.

**Passing of the Peace** will take place with no physical touch or movement.

**We will not have Holy Communion during worship.** You are invited to come to partake in a private communion service. See above Are you hungry for Holy Communion announcement for details.

There will be **no Coffee Hour** when we first come back.

**Restrooms** will be designated High Risk and Low Risk. The High-Risk restrooms has a goal of best practices. The restroom should be cleaned between each use, as there is a desire to limit exposure to disease. We are seeking restroom cleaners to help in keeping our high-risk population safe using CDC cleaning procedure.