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Pentecost June 5, 2022

During Easter, we celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead. We especially celebrate the resurrection every Sunday throughout the year. It's because of Christ's death and resurrection that we are assured of forgiveness from our sins and receive everlasting life with God. The liturgical colors are white, a color of triumph and glory, and gold, a color of joy. As we celebrate the fiftieth day of Easter we recognize the entry of the Holy Spirit with its color – red.

Temple Talk

Welcome

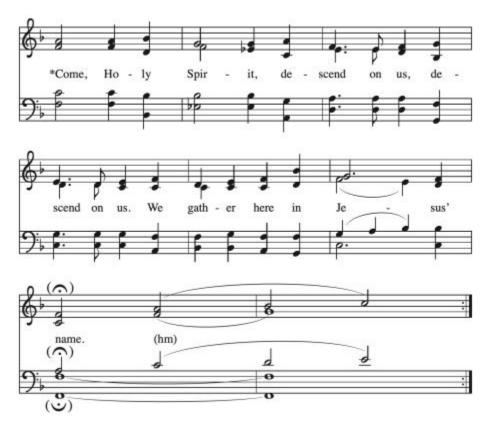
Gathering Music

Holy Silence is observed as we enter to worship.

Arise in body or Spirit

Easter Good News

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- **G** Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
- A This is the day that the Lord has made;
- **G** we will rejoice and be glad in it!
- **P** The Lord is my strength and my song.
- **G** The Lord has become my salvation.
- A Open to me the gates of righteousness;
- **G** I will go through them and praise the Lord.
- **P** I shall not die, but live,
- **G** and declare the works of the Lord.
- A This is the day that the Lord has made;
- **G** we will rejoice and be glad in it!



Come, Breath of heaven,... Come, Word of mercy,... Come, Fire of Spirit,... Come, great Creator,... Come to disturb us,... Come to inspire us,...

Easter Greeting

- P Holy people of God, given new life through the resurrected Christ, and enlightened by the Spirit: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.
- **G** And also with you.

Song of Praise

Prayer of the Day

- Let us pray . . . God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth.
- **B** 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.

First Reading

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

L A reading from Acts:

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:

Acts 2:1-21

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.
- Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD!

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

²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many 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.

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

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

> ²⁹When 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.

³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.

³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

> ³³I 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.

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸Philip said to [Jesus,] "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.

- **P** The Gospel of the Lord.
- **G** Praise to you, O Christ.

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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 a new name in our adoption: child of God.

L A reading from **Romans**:

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.

Gospel Acclamation

Gospel Reading

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.

O Holy Spirit, Enter In

Second Reading

Romans 8:14-17

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John 14:8-17

Children's Message

Message

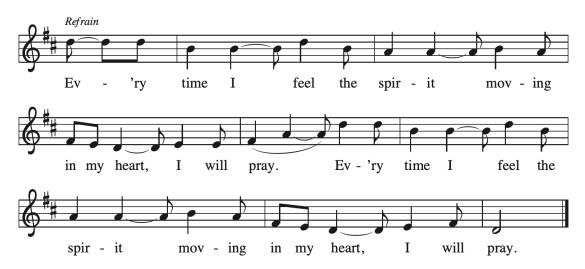
Song of the Day

Spirit of Gentleness

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Prayers

We sing the prayer response after each petition. You will hear, **Hear us, O God**. The assembly will sing:



A 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.

A brief silence

- A Holy Living One, Holy Moving One, burst open our locked doors, and by your Spirit drive us out into the world proclaiming your mighty deeds. Direct our words and actions, trusting the Advocate abiding in and among us including *Bishops Elizabeth and Craig, Assistants David and Roseanne, our synod companion Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, Petosky; Kilpatrick Uniter Brethren, Woodland; Minister of Music Cindy and Pastor Ken.* Hear us, O God.
- Eve'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray, Ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.
- Feed and care for creatures that remain hidden to us yet contribute to the vibrancy of your creation. Train us to interact with creation from a place of wonder, awe, and reverence. Hear us, O God.
- Eve'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray, Ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.

- ▲ Send your Spirit to places where language is a barrier to justice and mercy for those who seek it. Bless the work of translators, interpreters, and teachers. Promote understanding for the sake of those longing for true freedom and peace. Be with those who safeguard the world, especially *Parker Stancil (Freedlunds), Cody and Myrina Crawford (Clements), Cynthia Rudesill (Hansen), Joel Taggart (Varkulas) and Julia Ehredt (Schrieners, Halsteads).* Hear us, O God.
- Eve'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray, Ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.
- A Comfort all who live in constant fear and any who are suffering, especially Jenny Anderson, Amber Andrews, Veronica Baarson, The Helen Brown Family, Wally Burzynski, Cherie Clements, Bob & Bonnie Ehredt, Gene and Julie Fogarty and family, Mike Fruth, Greg Franks, Lorie Gladyness, Karl Golnek, Hannah Gutenmorgen, Larry Hansen, Judy Heil, Mike Hoppe, John Kleinbrink (heart), Mattea Markwart (Praise God for healing!), Bill Melcher, Obilyn Mowry, Gloria & Ron O'Beirne, Darlene Olson, Annette Poholski, Phil Poholski (recovery), Ken Plourde, Robb Elementary School (Uvalde, Texas), Mike Shoemaker, Susie Smith, Jackie Stapel, George Ulrich Jr., Sharon Varkula, and Carol Vos. Remind them that your Spirit has made them your children and that they are never far from your glory. Hear us, O God.
- Eve'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray, Ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.
- ▲ Guide all bishops, pastors, missionaries, and other ministers of the gospel. Foster our relationships with partner synods and local ministry partners, that our visions and actions are Spirit-led.

(You may share your prayers at this time) Here other intersessions may be offered

- A Gather your people across regions, nations, and lands. Root our common life in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, and by your Spirit bind us together with all the saints who have gone before us. Hear us, O God.
- Eve'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray, Ev'ry time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.
- In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- **G** Amen.

Sharing the Peace of God

- **P** The peace of risen Christ be with you.
- **G** And also with you.

⁽We share the peace of Christ with one another.)

Offering Prayer

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

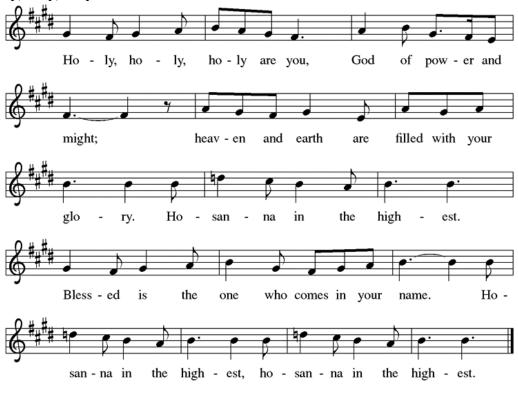
Great Thanksgiving

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **G** And also with you.
- Lift up your hearts.
- **G** We lift them to the Lord.
- Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

G It is right to give our thanks and praise.

▶ It is our duty and delight, that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, through Jesus Christ who calls us to follow the way of humble service and love, and so, with the church on earth all creation and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

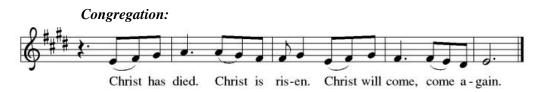
Holy, Holy, Holy



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Table Prayer

- ▶ It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should always and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through Jesus Christ, who by his death on the cross and glorious resurrection broke the bonds of sin and death and gave life to all creation.
- **G** By dying on the cross, Jesus has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life.
- 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:
- **G** Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
- P Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
- **C** This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
- P With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup and proclaim the mystery of faith. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.



- P Pour your Holy Spirit upon us as we share this meal in the body and blood of our Lord.
- **G** Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast. Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, inspire us to love, that we may serve as your faithful people until we feast at your table in glory.
- Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life. Amen, Come Lord Jesus; Amen, Come Lord Jesus.

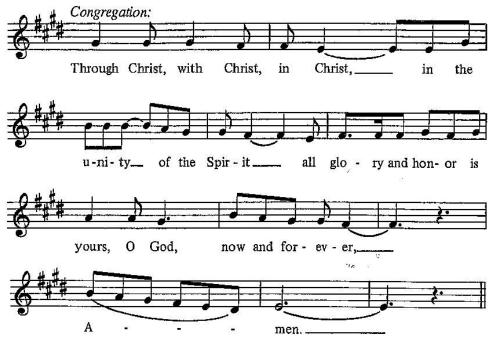


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Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains are scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, your Son. Amen, Come Holy Spirit. Amen, Come Holy Spirit.



P All glory and honor is yours, O God, now and forever.



Lord's Prayer

- ☑ 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.

Invitation to Communion

- **P** Holy things for holy people.
- **G** One is holy, one is Lord, Jesus Christ, to the glory of God.
- **P** Taste and see that the Lord is good.
- **G** Thanks be to God!

Communion Songs:	Holy Spirit, Truth Divine	ELW 398
	O Spirit of Life	ELW 405

Prayer after Communion

- ▲ Let us pray . . . Living God, you have greeted us in our brokenness and nourished us with the body of Christ, broken for us.
- **C** Risen to new life with you, send us now to bear your healing love into the wounded world, in the name of our risen Savior and Lord. Amen.

Mission Minutes

Blessing

- Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- **G** 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.
- G Amen.

Sending Song

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

ELW 400

Dismissal

- Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- **G** Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- A You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

G Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Experts of Grace

Periodically a case of art forgery makes the news. Someone has created or tried to sell pieces of art that are purportedly the work of a well-known or an up-and-coming artist. The untrained viewer may see beauty in the piece and see the signature on the work and believe it to belong to the artist who is named.

These forgeries may also appear legitimate to an expert at first glance, but their training calls them to look more deeply at the work. They will examine methods, look for inconsistencies, and use various tools to assess the work's authenticity.

The disciples experience Jesus to be an unbelievably authentic teacher, healer, and miracle worker, but Jesus has made some bold claims about himself. They have just heard him say, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" (John 14:6). They have questions. It is Philip who asks Jesus to show them the Father. Thomas has already asked how they can know the way to where Jesus is going.

In response to these questions, Jesus points them to his unity with the Father, but more so to his works. Just as the art expert looks deeply into the work on canvas, Jesus invites the disciples to go beyond his words and examine his works. He is training them to be experts at spotting God's grace operating all around them. They will have the Holy Spirit to assist along the way, but the world will neither see nor know the Spirit.

In worship we gather around the waters of baptism, we hear God's word, and we share in the bread and wine. These experiences are part of our training to be experts of grace. At the end of worship, we are sent out with the power of the Holy Spirit to look for grace at work, to share our good works, and to glorify our Father in heaven.

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8:00 am Assisting Minister – Randy Teegardin Lector – Jamie Heise Cantor – Cindy Olson Musician – Cindy Olson Pastor – Ken Scheck

<u>10:45 am</u> Assisting Minister – Traci Wales Lector – Carla Wilson-Neil Cantor – Cindy Olson Musician – Cindy Olson Pastor – Ken Scheck Fellowship – The Neeb Family

Stewardship Information

Attendance: 32Views: 80Weekly Giving: \$2,990.00Budget Amount: \$4,163.28Replace, Repair, Renew \$3,498.09For a state of the state of the

Welcome to worship today! We hope you find what we have found - a loving Jesus who welcomes all. No matter your background or faith tradition, you will find that Grace Lutheran Church is a place that is full of love, care, and support. We are pleased that you are here among us to worship the ONE who comes among us to give us new life.

From the Property Committee The thermostats in the building are set at designated temperatures throughout the building. When there is a need to turn the heat up or turn the air conditioning down, please return the preset temperature by hitting the run button. Additionally, if you notice lights on, please turn them off if you are not using them.

Grace Lutheran Church is seeking a Nursery Attendant during the 10:45 worship service.

Life Together. Strengthening relationships within the Congregation. Join us today at 9:30 am. Today we conclude with a presentation from Carla Neil.

Annual Church Cookout You are cordially invited to the Annual Church Cookout on June 12th after second service at The Poholski home. There is a sign-up sheet located in the gathering area. Please bring lawn chair and dish to pass. Address: 6810 Highlandview Dr., Middleville.

Replace, Repair, Renew Campaign. As you may know we replaced our mower and chest freezer and repaired our heating system in the fellowship hall. Total cost for these items is listed below:

Mower	\$3,900.00	
Freezer	\$620.09	
Heating Repair	<u>\$638.00</u>	
Total:	\$5,158.09	We are seeking funds to pay ourselves back for these expenses.

Fill A Bag For Summer. We are collected items for the Hastings Food Pantry and Barry County cares. Items can be dropped off between now and June 12 in the Gathering Area. Thank you for supporting this important project. Questions? Contact the church office.

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Reminder The Executive Committee meets on Tuesday, June 7 at 6:00 p.m., and the Council meets on Tuesday, June 21 also at 6:00 p.m.