

# DAY OF PENTECOST

May 28, 2023

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH
MINNEAPOLIS

# Welcome to worship at Holy Cross! We are glad that you are here.

We practice open communion, welcoming all to Christ's table to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. Communion is typically served on the second and last Sundays of each month.

Child care is available in the nursery for young children. Talk to an usher if you would like to make use of the nursery.

Hearing assist devices and large-print bulletins are available.

Ask an usher if you are interested.

If you are seeking pastoral care, please speak to the pastor today, or call or email Pastor Jay at 612-722-1083 or pastorjay@holycrossmpls.org

We invite ordinary people with everyday struggles, who need a place to lighten the load.

We offer a hug if you need one, a blessing if you seek one, and a place to belong if you want one.

**Hymnals:** Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW, the red cover hymnal), The Lutheran Hymnal (TLH, blue hardcover hymnal), and With One Voice (WOV, blue paperback cover)

#### Prelude

#### WELCOME

#### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

#### Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

#### Amen.

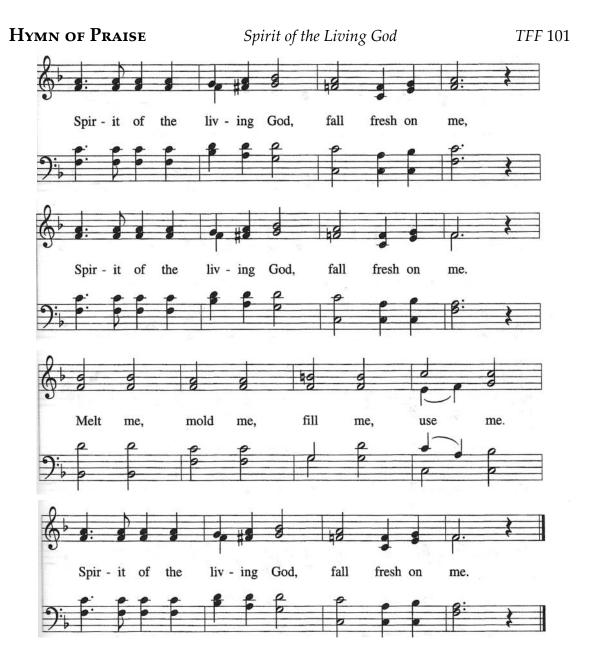
During the hymn, the assembly is sprinkled with water in remembrance of baptism.



### GREETING

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

And also with you.



#### 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.** 

#### **FIRST READING** Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

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

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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: '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. Even upon my

slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

L: This is the word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

#### **Second Reading** 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 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. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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. 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.

L: This is the word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



# **Gospel** John 20:19-23

P: The gospel according to John, the twentieth chapter.

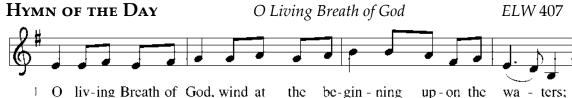
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

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 Jewish authorities, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If 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.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

#### **SERMON**



- O liv-ing Breath of God, wind at the up - on the wa - ters:
- 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 to life through bap-tis-mal wa - ters; us



- O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing the cre - a-tion to won-drous birth;
- liv-ing Breath of God, who to the cre a tion gives life 0
- liv-ing Breath of God, sigh-ing with cre a-tion for free-dom's birth:





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

#### Prayers of the Church

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

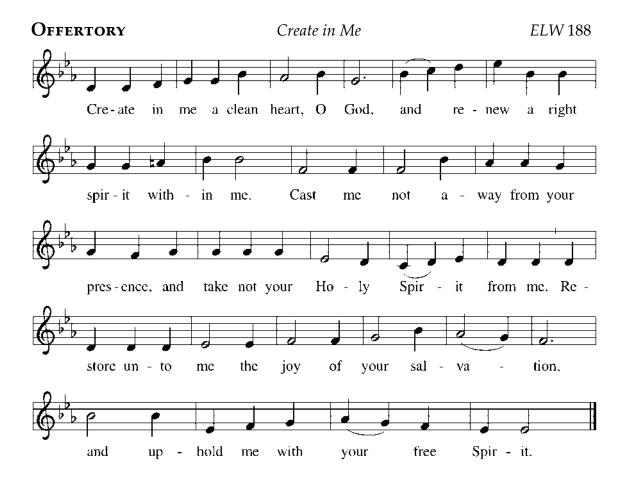
#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

You are invited to exchange words and signs of peace with those around you.

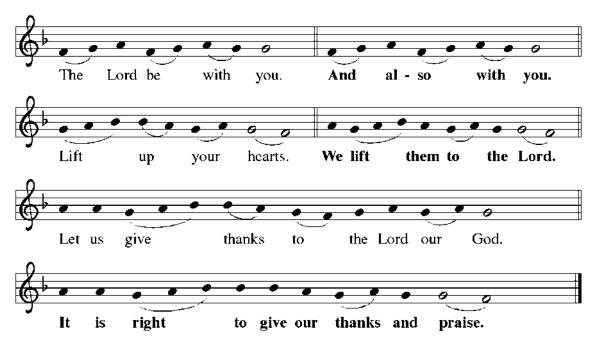
#### **OFFERING**



# OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

### GREAT THANKSGIVING



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth. Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood. Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea. Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness to the land of milk and honey. Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one. Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ. Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

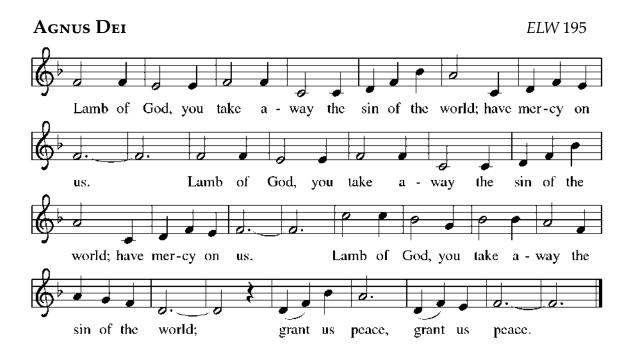
#### Words of Institution

LORD'S PRAYER ELW p. 208

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.

#### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Communion will be served at the rail. You are invited to come forward at the direction of the ushers. All are welcome.





when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.

peo-ple a - rise.

With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

Amen.

#### Benediction

The God of all, who raised  $\pm$  Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation. **Amen.** 



#### Announcements

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Postlude

# Announcements

#### **Statistics**

The attendance on Sunday, May 21, was 50, including 9 visitors. The total offering was \$2941 including \$55 for the Building Fund, \$51 for the Synod, and \$50 for Trinity First.

Birthdays: Jan Holland (5/29), Jim Likely (5/29), Karen Dibble (6/1),

Tena Ubl (6/2) and Katie Dennis (6/3)

Anniversaries: Jonathan and Denitsa Woltmann (6/2)

# **Upcoming dates**

June 1 Elders meeting, 7 p.m.

June 4 Annual meeting

June 11 "Summer by the Creek" Outdoor worship and picnic

July 6 Elders meeting, 7 p.m.

July 23 Outdoor worship

# **Annual meeting**

The annual meeting of the congregation will be held on Sunday, June 4, after worship. All members are encouraged to attend. We will review the past year and make plans for the coming year of ministry together. This will include voting on the proposed budget, electing officers, and approving a new constitution.

# Upcoming election

At the annual meeting on June 4, there will be an election to fill openings for Elders (2) and Trustees (5). Please consider whether you would be willing to fill one of these leadership roles. Please contact Steve Blomberg with any questions!

# Thank you for your generosity

Many Holy Cross members have offered stewardship forms with commitments for giving and volunteering in the coming year. Thank you! If you haven't yet completed one, forms are available on the back table and can be placed in the offering plate this morning or mailed to the church office.

# Summer by the Creek

Our Sunday worship on June 11 will be held outdoors on the church lawn with a picnic after. If you can bring food or help in other ways, please sign up in the narthex.

# The growing season is upon us

Calling all volunteers who are able to help water the flowers this spring, summer and early fall. Consider signing up for a week or more and water the following:

- the main planters at the front steps,
- the planter that borders the sidewalk along the Parkway,
- the flowers planted under the sign and the planters and hostas near the office door

The sign-up calendar is in the narthex. If it turns out you have a conflict, contact someone else on the schedule to trade weeks. Thanks so much for your help again this summer. Questions? Contact Sally Gorski or Carol Horrmann.

#### Gardener of the week

Thanks to Carol Horrmann and Sally Gorski who put in the spring plants and to Kim Blomberg who volunteered to water this past week. Working together, we can keep the gardens looking bright and flourishing!

#### SERVING TODAY

# Sunday, May 28

May Altar Guild: Mary Lange Choir Director: David Hinrichs

Choir Accompanist: Wendy Kofoot

Counters: Mary Lange and Keith Lange

Lector: Steve Blomberg Organist: Julie Wright Pastor: Rev. Jay Carlson Audio: James Blomberg Video: Ed Copeland Treats: Judy Sorenson Usher: Andy Tatham

# Next Sunday, June 4

June Altar Guild: Judy Sorenson

Counters: Lynn Oolman & Sandi Likely

Lector: Andy Tatham Organist: Julie Wright Pastor: Rev. Jay Carlson Audio: James Blomberg Video: Ed Copeland

Treats: Open

Usher: Andy Tatham

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