



Welcome to worship at Spirit of Christ!

We are a member congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. We gather here as the living body of Jesus Christ to be nourished and empowered by the Holy Spirit in what we call the “Means of Grace” — God’s gifts of Word and Sacrament. Through these Means of Grace, we receive the promise of the Gospel: that in the Spirit of Christ God forgives us, remakes us, and reigns in us. May the Lord bless your worship today!

May 28, 2023

Day of Pentecost

Welcome

O Holy Spirit, Enter In

LSB 913

- 1 **O Holy Spirit, enter in,
And in our hearts your work begin,
Your dwelling place now make us.
Sun of the soul, O Light divine,
Around and in us brightly shine,
To joy and gladness wake us
That we may be
Truly living,
To you giving
Prayer unceasing
And in love be still increasing.**

- 2 **Give to your Word impressive pow’r,
That in our hearts from this good hour
As fire it may be glowing,
That in true Christian unity
We faithful witnesses may be,
Your glory ever showing.
Hear us, cheer us
By Your teaching;
Let our preaching
And our labor
Praise you, Lord, and serve our neighbor.**

- 3 **O mighty Rock, O Source of life,
Let your dear Word, in doubt and strife,
In us be strongly burning
That we be faithful unto death
And live in love and holy faith,
From you true wisdom learning.**

**Your grace and peace
On us shower;
By your power
Christ confessing,
Let us see our Savior's blessing.**

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- P** We begin our worship in the name of the Father, of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- P** God of spirit and truth,
C **We confess that we are sinful and unclean. Our spirits are dry and we need to be refreshed by your spirit. We have tried to live life on our own terms, and we have failed time and again. Our days run together and we lack motivation in our lives. We miss the opportunities you set before us, and we are overcome by disappointment, disillusionment, and despair. God of Spirit and truth, forgive our sin and refresh us with your Holy Spirit.**

We take time in silence to confess our personal and communal sin before God, confident that we will receive forgiveness.

- P** At the beginning of time, the Holy Spirit floated over the deep darkness as God created the world out of a powerful Word of love. God spoke this same Word in Jesus, who took on flesh and went to the cross in powerful love to take the sin of the world to himself, so our sin would no longer weigh us down. God the Holy Spirit continues to demonstrate powerful love as we experience God's life-changing power each day of our lives. It is my joy and privilege as a called and ordained servant of that Word of Love, Jesus Christ, to forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Once we were powerless; now we have God's power and forgiveness. Praise God for the power to change lives!
C Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C **And also with you.**

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-3).

Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P 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 judgement 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.

C Amen.

Sit

First Reading

Numbers 11:24-30

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people what the LORD had said. He brought together seventy of their elders and had them stand around the tent. ²⁵ Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took some of the power of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied—but did not do so again.

²⁶ However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders, but did not go out to the tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ A young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.”

²⁸ Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses’ aide since youth, spoke up and said, “Moses, my lord, stop them!”

²⁹ But Moses replied, “Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the LORD’s people were prophets and that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!” ³⁰ Then Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in

our own tongues!”¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.”

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ “In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.

¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹ And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 205

C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ,
The Son of God.**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Holy Gospel

John 7:37-39

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the seventh chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁷ On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.” ³⁹ By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

P This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

- 1 Holy Spirit, the dove sent from heaven,
Ever one with the One who is Three,
From the Father you came,
Words of peace to proclaim,
Come and comfort us, speak tenderly.
You, the fragrance of life we are seeking;
Fill your temple, your altar make clean.
Joyous shelter of love,
Gracious friend from above,
In your care we are resting, serene.

- 2 Holy Spirit, the fire celestial,
Who on Pentecost came as foretold,
To descend from on high
And the Church occupy
As the cloud filled the temple of old;
All the baptized you seal with your promise,
All believers your gift there receive,
So that all the elect—
All in Christ—may expect
To enjoy what by grace they believe.

- 3 Holy Spirit, the unction of blessing,
Sacred oil of the green olive tree,
Giving heat, giving light,
As the tent lamps ignite
And as Aaron praised God joyfully.
Blessèd living and life-giving water,
Now preserve us from evil within;
For in Jesus, God's Son,
All believers are one
In this washing that cleanses from sin.

- 4 Holy Spirit, the wind of great power,
Source of strength and of peace and of love,
Truest Comforter, plead,
As you bring all our need
To the throne of God's glory above.
Be the light that enlightens the Scriptures;
Keep our feet from each devilish snare;
Only you can make whole
All that troubles our soul;
By your chrism, Christ's triumph we share.

Homily

Stand

Nicene Creed

C I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Prayers of the Church

Presentation of the Offering

Stand

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
P Lift up your hearts.
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Sanctus

LSB 208

- C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!**

The Words of Our Lord

Proclamation of Christ

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us your body and blood to eat and to drink, you lead us to remember and confess your holy cross and passion, your blessed death, your rest in the tomb, your resurrection from the dead, your ascension into heaven, and your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei

LSB 210

- C** **O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.**

**O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ,
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.**

Sit

Distribution

We believe that as we partake of the bread and wine in Holy Communion, Jesus the Messiah is feeding us with his own true body and blood. In eating his body and drinking his blood we receive the promise that our sins are forgiven, and that we will therefore live eternally with God. We also believe that this eating

and drinking is a confession of our faith. If you have been baptized into the Christian faith and if you share our understanding of Christ's Real Presence in this meal, you are welcome to receive Christ's body and blood for your benefit. If you do not confess the understanding of the Christian Faith as expressed by the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, you may still come to the altar to receive a blessing. Please fold your hands to indicate that you will not be receiving the sacrament.

Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ

LSB 769 tune 917

- 1 Eternal Spirit of the living Christ,
I know not how to ask or what to say;
I only know my need, as deep as life,
And only you can teach me how to pray.**
- 2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day;
Help me to see your purpose and your will—
Where I have failed, what I have done amiss;
Held in forgiving love, let me be still.**
- 3 Come with the strength I lack, bring vision clear
Of human need; O give me eyes to see
Fulfillment of my life in love outpoured,
My life in you, O Christ; your love in me.**

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

LSB 498 tune 664

- 1 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest,
And make our hearts your place of rest;
Come with your grace and heav'nly aid,
And fill the hearts which you have made.**
- 2 To you, the Counselor, we cry,
To you, the gift of God Most High;
The fount of life, the fire of love,
The soul's anointing from above.**
- 3 In you, with graces sevenfold,
We God's almighty hand behold
While you with tongues of fire proclaim
To all the world his holy name.**
- 4 Your light to ev'ry thought impart,
And shed your love in ev'ry heart;
The weakness of our mortal state
With deathless might invigorate.**
- 5 Drive far away our wily foe,
And your abiding peace bestow;**

With you as our protecting guide,
No evil can with us abide.

6 Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And you, from both, as Three in One
That we your name may ever bless
And in our lives the truth confess.

7 Praise we the Father and the Son
And Holy Spirit, with them One,
And may the Son on us bestow
The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

LSB 668

1 Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore thee;
May I still thy goodness prove.

2 Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by thy help I've come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood.

3 Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for thy courts above.

4 Oh, that day when freed from sinning,
I shall see thy lovely face;
Clothed then in the blood-washed linen,
How I'll sing thy wondrous grace!
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry;
Take my ransom'd soul away;

Send thine angels soon to carry
Me to realms of endless day.

Christ, the Word of God Incarnate

LSB 540

- 1 Christ, the Word of God incarnate,
Lord and Son of Abraham;
Christ, the radiance of the Father,
Perfect God, the great I AM;
Christ, the light, you shine unvanquished,
Light and life you bring to all;
Light our path with your own presence,
Grant us grace to heed your call.
- 2 Christ, the living bread from heaven,
Food for body, food for soul;
Christ, the manna daily given,
Nourish, strengthen, make us whole.
Feed us with the food of heaven,
Foretaste of the feast to be;
Quench our thirst with living water
Springing up eternally.
- 3 Christ, the shoot that springs triumphant
From the stump of Jesse's tree;
Christ, true vine, you nurture branches
To bear fruit abundantly.
Graft us into you, O Savior;
Prune our hearts so we remain
Fruitful branches in your vineyard
Till eternal life we gain.
- 4 Christ, our good and faithful shepherd,
Watching all your lambs and sheep;
Christ, the gate that guards the sheepfold,
Never-failing vigil keep.
When we stray, Good Shepherd, seek us,
Find us, lift us, bear us home;
Lamb of God, our shepherd, keep us;
Let us hear your voice alone.
- 5 Christ, the way that leads unfailing
To the Father's home on high,
Christ, the truth that frees the captive,
Christ, the life that cannot die.
Mediator to the Father,
Sacrifice and great High Priest:
Lead us to your heav'nly mansions,
There to share your wedding feast.

- 6 Christ, the Alpha and Omega,
Christ, the firstborn from the dead,
Christ, the life and resurrection,
Christ, the Church's glorious head:
Praise and thanks and adoration
And unending worship be
To the Father and the Spirit
And to you eternally.

Stand

Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** Amen.

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

LSB 650

- 1 Holy Spirit, ever dwelling
In the holiest realms of light;
Holy Spirit, ever brooding
O'er a world of gloom and night;
Holy Spirit, ever raising
Those of earth to thrones on high;
Living, life-imparting Spirit,
You we praise and magnify.
- 2 Holy Spirit, ever living
As the Church's very life;
Holy Spirit, ever striving
Through us in a ceaseless strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming
In the Church the mind of Christ:
You we praise with endless worship
For your gifts and fruits unpriced.
- 3 Holy Spirit, ever working
Through the Church's ministry;
Quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving,
Setting captive sinners free;
Holy Spirit, ever binding
Age to age and soul to soul
In communion never ending,
You we worship and extol.

Announcements

Sending

Serving in worship today

May 28, 2023

Pastor:

Jason Neel

Elder:

Kevin Zimmerman

Justin Miller

Reader:

Lois Spadgenske

In our prayers

Celebrating Baptism: Eli Neel 5/29.

This Week at a Glance

Today	8:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
Tuesday	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study
	12:00 p.m.	Congregational Prayer
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Bible Study
	9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study

Notes of Information:

Gift in Honor of Pastor Kolk: A \$500 gift was given to Main Street Living Ministries in honor of Pastor Chuck Kolk's 50th year in ministry. Main Street Living is a Lutheran Television program that is endorsed by the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The broadcast has two parts. Remastered episodes of the Emmy award-winning Lutheran Hour Ministries "This is the Life" program was originally aired from the 1950's to the 1980's. This program has been remastered to the modern format. The Worship Service is produced locally and features a different presenter each week selected from the Pastors in each broadcast area. 9+ Sunday Mornings at 9 am.

VBS Group Leaders Needed: Group Leaders are needed for VBS this summer. As a Group Leader, you get to experience VBS alongside the kids and get to have fun getting to know our youngest members. If you are interested in helping at VBS, please contact Leslie Kuntz.

May Book of the Month: *Ten Questions to Ask Every Time You Read the Bible*

Author: Andrew R. Jones

Ages: teen to adult

The Holy Bible is a treasure that tells us the grand narrative of God's grace,

love, and mercy in Jesus Christ. Sometimes, however, the scriptures can be downright confusing! The author has created a list of questions that can bring understanding to text and context, and that connect the scripture to our lived experiences. Some questions will help us see how our lives are still applicable to God's Word (not the other way around); how God continues his actions and story among us.

The Bible is filled with situations of both joy and difficulty that we can relate to. It is filled with messy relationships and reconciliation, suffering and care, hope, and love. Digging deeper when reading familiar scripture or verses we haven't read before will enable us to deepen and broaden our understanding of who God is.

Envelope Giving FYI: Gifts given via envelope and marked "Improvement" will go into the 2023 Building Improvement Project Fund. There is also a designated category in Vanco if you prefer to give electronically.

New Members/Christian Faith Class: There will be a Christian Faith Class starting the second Sunday of June during Education hour. If you are interested in becoming a member or in taking the faith class alongside our new members, please contact Pastor Jason or Laura in the church office.

Activity Bags Available: There are activity bags for young children located at the back of the sanctuary. We would like to thank Beth Gerard and Diane Weinhold for refreshing the bags.

Spirit of Christ Book Club: Spirit of Christ Book Club will meet in the fellowship hall at 7 p.m. Dates and books are:

June 26 – Tattooist of Auschwitz by Heather Morris

July 24 – The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides

If you have any questions, please contact Joan Mager at 763-434-9652.

NACE: North Anoka County Emergency Food Shelf needs personal hygiene, and diapers for both adults and children. If you would like to donate any of these items, please bring them into the Narthex and place them in the box. Toni Peterson 763-434-5665

LWML Mission Byte: Twin Cities Blind Fellowship Outreach. This outreach brings the local body of Christ together to serve God's people with visual disabilities. An affiliated program with Lutheran Braille Workers, which strives to "Help people touch the promises of Jesus," this ministry is open to all visually impaired people and brings the body of the church together with volunteers from many Twin Cities churches for a once-a-month fellowship event. Guests are served a delicious meal, participate in a pastor-led Bible study to nourish the soul, enjoy a featured activity, or live entertainment, and receive special gifts. On-going friendships are fostered through fellowship, prayer, and service. For more information, please visit faithlutheranmpls.org.

Monthly 1% Mission Outreach: As God's Stewards, we are called to serve. A great way to do this is to apply for the Monthly 1% Mission Outreach offering. Simply fill out a request form, state your outreach ministry, and how the funds will be used. Then return your request to the Stewardship Board. Some past activities have included homeless kits, backpacks for World Relief, diaper kits, shopping for food shelf items, and holiday baskets for families. Be creative! Our Lord will use the talents and gifts He has given you to bless others.

Nursery: The nursery is open, and the sound is working. If you have a restless child, please feel free to use this space.

Sermons and bulletins posted online: Audio and video recordings of worship sermons and digital bulletins are posted weekly. Bulletins and past sermons can be found at www.spiritofchristhamlake.org

Offerings via Give+: Online giving is easy to do, one-time gifts and recurring donations are accepted. Visit the link at soclc.org to sign up or learn more.

Average Monthly Offering	\$6975
<i>Average offering needed per week to fulfill work plan</i>	\$6662

Readings for next week:

Genesis 1:1-2:4a, 2 Corinthians 13:11:13, Matthew 28:16-20



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