# Welcome!

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### PARKING

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#### RESOURCES

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

# CHILDCARE

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. The nursery is open but unstaffed today.

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Luther Memorial Church

# Holy Communion pentecost sunday, may 19, 2024 | 10:30 am

PRELUDE Komm, heilger Geist, Herre Gott (BWV 651) | J.S. Bach (Come, Holy Ghost, Lord God)

# GATHERING

Please stand.

# **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

# Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

# Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

# Amen.

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In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

*Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.* **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

# APOSTOLIC 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

Let us pray.

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### Amen.

# WORD

Please sit.

## FIRST READING Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord."

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

# PSALM 104:24-34, 35B

The antiphon is sung first by the choir and then by all.



How manifold are your | works, O Lord!

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

# Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too man- | y to number, living things both | small and great.

There go the ships | to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the | sport of it.

All of them | look to you to give them their food | in due season. You give it to them; they | gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled | with good things. When you hide your face, | they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return | to their dust. You send forth your Spirit, and they | are created; and so you renew the face | of the earth. May the glory of the Lord en- | dure forever; O Lord, rejoice in | all your works. You look at the earth | and it trembles; you touch the mountains | and they smoke. I will sing to the Lord as long | as I live; I will praise my God while I | have my being. May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice | in the Lord. Bless the Lord, | O my soul. Hal- | lelujah!

The antiphon is sung by all.

# SECOND READING Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] 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.'"

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

Please stand.

**#578 GOSPEL PROCESSION** Creator Spirit, Heavenly Dove Stanzas 1-3 before Gospel; stanzas 4-6 after Gospel

### GOSPEL John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

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

Please sit. SERMON

*Please stand.***#398** HYMN OF THE DAY Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

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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.		

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** *Please greet your neighbor:* **Peace be with you.** 

## MEAL

Please sit. OFFERING

### MUSIC AT THE OFFERING Come, Holy Ghost (VENI CREATOR) | Orlando Gibbons

Come, Holy Ghost, the Maker, come; Take in the souls of thine thy place; Thou whom our hearts had being from, Oh, fill them with thy heavenly grace. Thou art that comfort from above, The highest doth by gift impart; Thou spring of life, a fire of love, And the anointing spirit art.

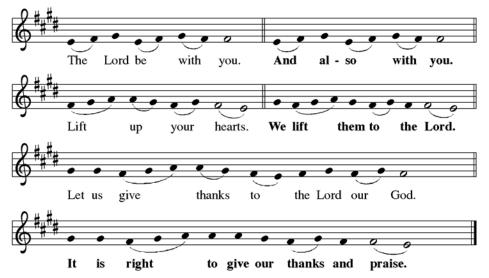
Please stand.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER** 

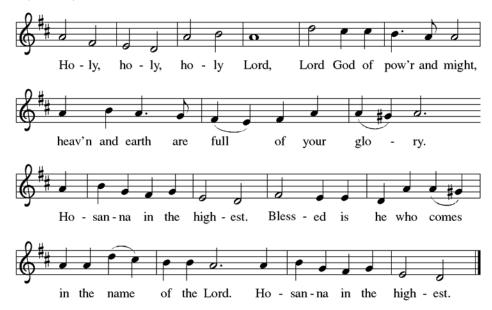
Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



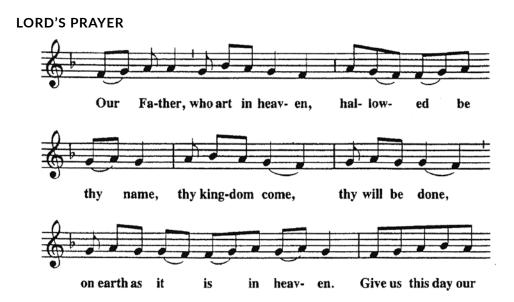
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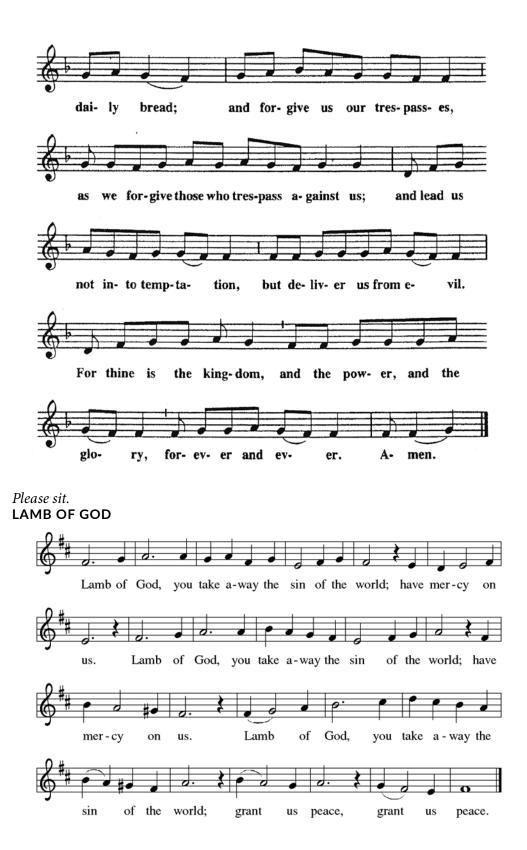
You are indeed holy... until he comes.



Remembering, therefore... now and forever.







# THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread\*) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from a second chalice. \*Gluten-free bread is available on request.

# COMMUNION ANTHEM Lord, I Trust Thee | G.F. Handel

Lord, I trust thee, I adore thee, Ah! Thou friend of all, restore me! On thy loving grace relying, For the bread of life I'm sighing. Quench my thirst and let my hunger cease, Fill my heart with joy and endless peace. When the breath of life has left me, May my soul be blended with thee.

# #405 COMMUNION HYMN O Spirit of Life

Please stand.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

# SENDING

# BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.** 

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.#627 RECESSIONAL HYMN O Day Full of Grace

# DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

**POSTLUDE** Wir glauben all an einem Gott (BWV 680) | J.S. Bach (We all believe in one true God)

# TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Lord God, dear Father, Who on this day through Thy Holy Spirit didst enlighten and teach the hearts of Thy believing ones: Grant to us, that we may have right understanding through the same Spirit and at all times rejoice in His comfort and power, for ever and ever. Amen.

Martin Luther (1483 - 1546)

# SERVING TODAY

PRESIDER & PREACHER	Pastor Brad Pohlman
ORGANIST	Gary Lewis
ACOLYTE	Emma Heggeseth, Caroline Schinke
ASSISTING MINISTER	George Alexander
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	Judy Braham, Derren Slinde, Corbin Slinde
CRUCIFER	Brian Uphoff
LECTOR	Karole Leadholm
SACRISTAN	Karen Harris
AUDIO	Bill Braham
VIDEO	Lee Powell
HEAD USHER	Bob Uphoff
USHERS	Chris Uphoff, Jeff Van Fleet

**Our thanks to organist Gary Lewis** for playing this morning. Andrew Schaeffer is away on the LM Europe tour.

Altar flowers are given by Jeff Van Fleet in memory of his father, Rudy.

**Today we remember the inurnment of Margaret Greeno** in the LM columbarium. The congregation is invited to visit the columbarium and read her page in the memory books.

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