

OUR SAVIOUR LUTHERAN CHURCH Southern Pines, North Carolina

ORDER FOR WORSHIP The Festival of Pentecost – June 5, 2022

PRELUDE- Meditation On Beautiful Savior (Handbells) WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, (+) one God, Who forgives all our sin, Whose mercy endures forever.

Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, Let us remember the gift of baptism and forgiveness of sin.

God of mercy, We confess that we have sinned against you, Against one another, And against the creation entrusted to our care. We're worried and distracted by many things, And we fail to love you above all else. We look after ourselves And turn our back on those unlike us. We participate in separating ourselves from others Creating distinctions that divide us We create hostility where you desire peace. Forgive us, that we may live in the unifying freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, Forgiving us (+) all our trespasses By taking our sins to the cross. For freedom Christ has set us free, But this freedom is not for selfish consumption, We are freed from sin to be free for service. Rejoice in this good news!

THE GATHERING SONG: All Are Welcome – ELW 641

THE APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

People: And also with you.

THE KYRIE - ELW p. 138

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. *People:* Lord have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. *People:* Lord have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. *People:* Lord have mercy.

Pastor: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. *People:* **Amen**

THE HYMN OF PRAISE - ELW p. 140

Pastor: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. People: Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain, Whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing, honor, glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for services 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.**

THE FIRST READING: Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and fire them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise, we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had

built. And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." So, the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore, it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth, and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

Here ends the reading. Word of God, Word of Life ...

People: Thanks be to God.

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Psalm 104:24-35b (Read responsively by half verse.)
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O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. There is the sea, great and wide; creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great. There go the ships and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it. These all look to you to give them their food in due season; when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground. May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his workswho looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke. I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord. Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul. **Praise the Lord!**

THE SECOND 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 people 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, "Fellow Jews 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.' Word of God, Word of Life ... People: Thanks be to God.

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON - Heather Lussier

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION – How Firm a Foundation, verse 1 – ELW 796

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He has said, To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled? Amen.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 14:8-17

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus 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'? Do 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. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. Very 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. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This 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."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord

The People: Thanks be to God!

THE SERMON: Speaking a New Language!

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: The Church of Christ, in Every Age – ELW 729

THE NICENE CREED - ELW p. 104

People: We believe in one God, The Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, Of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, The only Son of God, Eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from true God, Begotten, not made, Of one Being with the Father; Through him all things were made. For us and our salvation He came down from heaven, Was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary And became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again In accordance with the scriptures; He ascended into heaven And is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, And his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, Who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE PEACE

THE OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC- In Remembrance (Handbells)

THE OFFERING HYMN – The Doxology (A cappella)

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God, For the greening earth given for all, For the talents are given to share, And for this bread and wine. Transform us to be the body of Christ, That, feasting on this food and drink, Our lives may reflect your generosity, Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - ELW p. 144

Pastor: The Lord be with you. *People:* **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. *People:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People:* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE PREFACE (Sung by Pastor.)

THE SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, 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.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC INVITATION

COMMUNION SONGS:

Lamb of God - ELW p. 146 / Now We Join in Celebration – ELW 462

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION PRAYER

O God, in this holy communion

You have welcomed us into your presence, Nourished us with words of mercy, And fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, Strengthen us to love you with all our heart, Serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, And honor the earth you have made, Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING

Pastor: Live your lives in Christ, rooted and built up in him, and abound in thanksgiving; and the blessing of the holy Trinity (+) one God, be upon you and remain with you forever.

People: Amen

THE SENDING SONG: Soon and Very Soon – ELW 439

THE DISMISSAL

THE POSTLUDE