

# PENTECOST



# SUNDAY



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# Welcome!

*We are glad that you have joined us for worship.*

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**May 19, 2024**



As we celebrate Holy Communion, let's rejoice in the various types of unity that we enjoy in this sacrament.



- ◆ According to Christ's own promise we receive his true body and blood along with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of all our sins (Matthew 26:26-28). We are united with him in the Lord's Supper.
- ◆ This meal not only unites believers with the Lord but also with one another (1 Corinthians 10:16-17). Holy Communion declares that unity.
- ◆ When Christians commune together they are jointly proclaiming the gospel of Jesus (1 Corinthians 11:26).

What wonderful unity we find in the Lord's Supper. How we want to treasure and foster this unity. On the night on which Jesus gave us this meal he prayed that all his followers would come to complete agreement with one another on the basis of God's Word (John 17:11,17).

Out of love for the Lord and love for one another, we want what our Savior wants for us—genuine unqualified unity. For this reason we respectfully ask that only those who have expressed their full agreement with the teachings of our national church body (the Wisconsin Synod) or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod come forward to receive the sacrament.

We eagerly desire everyone to share in this divine meal with us. Please speak to the pastor about how we can work together to establish this blessed fellowship.

## **THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

### **WORSHIP THEME:**

**Christ has not left us alone**

**OPENING HYMN: #585 *Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord* (vs.1-3)**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**RESPONSIVE LITANY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**CONFESSION OF SINS AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

## THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: [Ezekiel 37:1-14](#)

SUNG RESPONSE: *Blessed Be the Name of the Lord*

SECOND LESSON: [Acts 2:1-21](#)

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SERMON HYMN: [#593 Holy Spirit, Light Divine](#) (vs.1-5)

SERMON TEXT: [John 15:26-27, 16:5-11](#)

THEME: **Jesus has sent the Holy Spirit**

- **To empower our testimony with his counsel**
- **To convict the unbelieving world**

OFFERING/ REFLECTIVE SONG: Piano & Cello Duet

THANKFUL & BLESSED FAREWELL TO SUSAN DECKER

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

## THE SACRAMENT

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

DISTRIBUTION: *Please Note: The center cups of the individual trays contain white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are labeled on a separate center tray.*

PRAYER

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: [#586 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest](#) (vs.1-7)



CONNECTION CARD ON OUR APP



*Please take a moment and fill out the info on the connection card, located under the Worship Today button on our app or on our website. There is a tablet in entryway or QR Code on the left if you prefer to use that. Please fill out any information and submit.*

THE OFFERING

*Dear guests, we're glad you're here to listen to the message about Jesus.*

*If members or guests would like to give an offering electronically, they can do so by using the QR Code on the right or download our App, which is available at any app store. Those that give digitally can place the "Give" cards in the plate during the offering.*



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: We wrapped up our series *Helping the Hurting with Hope* by answering the question: How are you going to help me? We'll explore practical ways that we are helping, and how we might better serve and minister to those who are hurting. Come share your ideas!

NEW SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: **Starting June 2** *Apologetics*: Defending the faith.

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM: *Key Words & Symbols* Will return June 6th.

SUSAN SEND-OFF: Brunch potluck send-off celebration **today** after worship. .

SPRING CLEAN-UP: Thanks to those who came and helped to spruce up our facilities and property for spring! There are still jobs available. If you'd like to take on a project at a more convenient time, just [sign up on our app!](#)

GROUP LIFE EVENT: Group Life is planning an outing to the St. Paul Saints game on **June 9th 2:07pm**. We have purchased 25 seats. Purchase your ticket on our app - first come, first served. Tickets are \$25 each.

GROUP LIFE CHURCH PICNIC: Mark Your Calendars for **July 21st**. @ Nelson Lakeside Park, 1860 Symes Street, Long Lake, MN 55356. Detail TBA.

WEST LUTHERAN: Join us for a showcase of talent from our musicians, singers, and artists at West Lutheran on **Sunday, May 19th at 2pm**. Enjoy the free concert and tour the art show gallery in this end of year celebration!

• UTAH MISSION TRIP! Click the link to donate or find out more: <https://givebutter.com/westmission24>

CAMP CROIX: COLLEGE RETREAT: *The Light of the World Retreat*. **May 29–June 2** More info & register here [College Retreat](#).

MLC JOB OPENING: Accepting applications for a full-time and part-time jobs. See all opening and apply click on the link [mlc-wels.edu/hr/](http://mlc-wels.edu/hr/).

### THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVED:

- † Pianist: Elise Vik
- † Piano & Cello Duet: Marcia Michalik & Susan Kranz
- † Choir
- † AV Team