

PENTECOST SUNDAY
RITE OF CONFIRMATION



WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
MAY 19, 2024 | 10:45 AM

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ifty days after Easter, we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. Crossing all boundaries that would separate us, the Spirit brings the wideness of God's mercy to places we least expect it—to a crowd of strangers of different lands and tongues, to dry bones, to our weak hearts. Jesus promises his disciples that they will be accompanied by the Holy Spirit, and that this Spirit reveals the truth. We celebrate that we too have been visited with this same Spirit. Guided by the truth, we join together in worship, and then disperse to share the fullness of Christ's love with the world.

Blessings and congratulations to the confirmation class of 2024

I know the plans I have in my mind for you, declares the Lord; they are plans for peace, not disaster, to give you a future filled with hope.

Jeremiah 29:11

Gwen

As it is, there are many members yet one body.

1 Corinthians 12:20

Lily

And without faith it is impossible to please God, for whoever would approach him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

Hebrews 11:6

Emily

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PENTECOST—RITE OF CONFIRMATION

MAY 19, 2024

10:45 AM Praise Worship Service with Holy Communion

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church warmly welcomes people of any age, race, nationality, sexual orientation, life circumstance, and physical or mental capability.

*You are invited to stand

GATHERING

Gathering Music

"How Majestic Is Your Name" Bells of Good Shepherd

By Michael W. Smith; Arranged by Susan E. Geschke

Welcome

***Confession and Forgiveness**

- P** Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **G Amen.**
- P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **G Amen.**
- P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Silence is kept for reflection.
Gracious God,
- G** **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**
- P** God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **G Amen.**

*Gathering Song

"Let There Be Wonder"

Words and Music by Matt Redman, Corey Voss, Josh Silverberg and Jacob Sooter; © 2020 Hipgnosis Songs Essential | Jacob Sooter Music | So Essential Tunes | Vertical Church Band Publishing | Corey Michael Music Publishing | Integrity Worship Music | Integrity's Alleluia! Music | MSW Publishing | River Wild | Said And Done

Verse 1

Let this place be an upper room
Where Your people learn to wait
Let this house become holy ground
Where Your children watch and pray
O remind us today we are people of Your presence

Chorus

Let there be wonder
Let there be wonder in this place
Let there be worship
Let there be worship for Your name
Come Holy Spirit how we need Your fire again
Let there be wonder
Let there be wonder

Bridge

Is He not the God who parted the sea
Is He not the One who heals our disease
Is He not the source of all that we need
You're all that we need
Is He not the God who emptied the grave
Is He not the One who breaks ev'ry chain
Is He not the hope still with us today
You're with us today

Ending

Let there be wonder let there be wonder
Oh let there be let there be wonder
Let there be wonder in this place
Let there be worship
Let there be worship for Your name
Come Holy Spirit how we need Your fire again
Let there be wonder let there be wonder

*Greeting

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

*Prayer of the Day

P Let us pray. Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **G** **Amen.**

WORD

First Reading

L A reading from **Ezekiel**

At conclusion of reading

L The Word of the Lord. **G** **Thanks be to God.**

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Pew Bible, Page 791

Second Reading

L A reading from Actss.

At conclusion of reading

L The Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God**

Acts 2:1-21

Pew Bible, Page 992

Children's Message

*Gospel Reading

P The holy gospel according to John.

At conclusion of reading

L The gospel of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Pew Bible, Page 984

Confirmation Faith Statements

Gwen

Assembly Response

"I'm Going on a Journey"

ELW #446 vs 1

I'm going on a journey, and I'm starting today.

My head is wet, and I'm on my way.

Christ's mark is on me; it's on you, too;

it says he loves me, and he loves you, too!

Lily

Assembly Response

"I'm Going on a Journey"

ELW #446 vs 2

I'm becoming this day a saint of God.

It really doesn't matter what roads I trod.

Wherever I go, God's been there, too.

God's love has touched me and will carry me through.

Emily

Assembly Response

"I'm Going on a Journey"

ELW #446 vs 3

There are other saints who have said amen.

They'll keep me faithful to my journey's end.

Along the way I want to be

the kind of person that God set free.

Affirmation of Baptism

Front of ELW pg. 234

*Prayers of Intercession

The Assisting Minister will close each petition with the words, "God of grace," worshippers respond with the words, "hear our prayer".

*Peace

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

(Please greet one another with a friendly word or gesture of God's peace.)

Offering

The "Who's Who in the Pew" pads are passed as the offering is received. For online giving, see the QR code on the back page.

Offering Anthem

"The Blessing"

Praise Team

- by Chris Brown, Cody Carnes, Kari Jobe and Steven Furtick

*Offering Prayer

☐ Let us pray. Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. ☑ Amen.

*Words of Institution

*Lord's Prayer

☑ 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.

*Invitation to Communion

Communion/Communion Songs

Communion Music

"Musings on "10,000 Reasons"

Vincent

-by Jonas Myrin and Matt Redman; Arrangement by Vincent

"Holy Spirit"

Words and Music by Ken Canedo, © 1998, 2002 spiritandsong.com

Chorus

Holy Spirit come into our lives
Holy Spirit make us truly wise

Verse 1

Give us a spirit of courage
And judgment that is wise
Give us a spirit of rev'rence
Of wonder and of awe
(CHORUS)

Verse 2

Spirit of love and compassion
Give hope to all the poor
Spirit of justice and mercy
Come open ev'ry door
(CHORUS)

Verse 3

Spirit of strength and of healing
Bend stubborn heart and will
Spirit of trust and of caring
O melt us warm our chill (CHORUS)

"Great Things"

Words and Music by Phil Wickham and Jonas Myrin; © 2018 Capitol CMG Paragon | Son of the Lion | Phil Wickham Music | Simply Global Songs | Sing My Songs

Verse 1

Come let us worship our King
Come let us bow at His feet
He has done great things
See what our Savior has done
See how His love overcomes
He has done great things
He has done great things

Chorus 1

O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
O God You have done great things
We dance in Your freedom awake and alive
O Jesus our Savior Your name lifted high
O God You have done great things

Verse 2

You've been faithful through every storm
You'll be faithful forevermore
You have done great things
And I know You will do it again
For Your promise is yes and amen
You will do great things
God You do great things

Chorus 2

O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
O God You have done great things
We dance in Your freedom awake and alive
O Jesus our Savior Your name lifted high
O God You have done great things
You have done great things
O God You do great things

*Post Communion Blessing

P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **A** Amen.

*Prayer After Communion

A Let us pray. Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **A** Amen.

Blessing of Graduates

High School and College Graduates and their parents may come forward for a blessing

P Graduates, as you celebrate your achievements and prepare to begin new endeavors, be mindful of your grounding in faith, and of your vocation to serve God in all your life's work and accomplishments.

Let us pray. Gracious God, you bless your servants with many achievements. We give thanks especially for the milestones that *name/s* have attained. As they begin new phases of their lives, may they also know your love and experience your peace

in all the experiences they encounter. Bless also the parents of these students, who have raised their children and nourished them in the Christian faith. Give them strength in your continuing presence and give them many joyful reunions with their sons and daughters, who may be leaving home soon to begin new and varied ventures, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ☩ Amen.

- ☩ Go out into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold to what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve our God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
- ☩ Amen.

Blessings for New Drivers

Those receiving their driver's permit in the last year may come forward for a blessing

- ☩ O God, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: surround *us/them* with your loving care; protect *us/them* from every danger; and bring *us/them* in safety to *our/their* journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ☩ Amen.

Blessing for Transition from School to Summer

All teachers and students may come forward for a blessing

- ☩ Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge God, and God will make straight your paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6) Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, for the ways you speak to us and through us. Increase in us a desire for wisdom and insight that we may use what we have learned for the sake of the common good. We pray in the name of the one who taught disciples and told stories, Jesus our Savior. ☩ Amen.

- ☩ You have learned and taught. ☩ **Thanks be to God!**
- ☩ You have grown and matured. ☩ **Thanks be to God!**
- ☩ You have explored and created. ☩ **Thanks be to God!**
- ☩ You have loved and been loved. ☩ **Thanks be to God!**
- ☩ Now, enter into rest and play, the re-creation of summer. And all God's people said:
- ☩ **Amen!**

 SENDING 

***Blessing**

- ☩ Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- ☩ **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
- ☩ The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ☩ bless you now and always. ☩ **Amen.**

***Sending Song**

"We Are Marching in the Light"

Text: South African traditional; tr. Freedom Is Coming, 1984; Tr. © 1984 Utryck, admin. Walton Music Corp.

We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching,
marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, (marching, we are marching,
marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.

Additional stanzas:

We are dancing . . .
We are praying . . .
We are singing . . .

***Dismissal**

A Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad!

G Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Sending Music

Praise Team

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