

AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH



PENTECOST SUNDAY
ELW Setting 6 & SBAS SW 2
10:30 AM May 19, 2024

GATHERING

PRELUDE & WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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

All: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with our neighbour.

All: Most merciful God,

**we confess that 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 neighbours as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us
and forgive us,**

**that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Leader: Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: "Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove"

#404 ELW

COLLECT / PRAYER OF THE DAY

(Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Reader: Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b

²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

All: ²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.

²⁶There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

All: ²⁷All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

²⁸You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

All: ²⁹When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

**All: ³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**

³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

**All: ³³I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.**

³⁴May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.

All: ^{35b}Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

CHORAL ANTHEM: "O Living Breath of God"

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-21

Reader: Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: "Alleluia", p.171

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

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Leader: The gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: "O Spirit, All Embracing"

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APOSTLES' CREED, p. 127

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: "God of grace – hear our prayer"

SHARING OF THE PEACE, p. 172

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: And also with you.

OFFERING & HYMN: "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

#674 ELW

(The offering will be collected during the instrumental; the hymn will follow)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**All: Yours, Lord, is the greatness,
the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.
Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER, p. 173

SENDING

BLESSING (*Book of Alternative Services*)

SENDING HYMN: "Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"

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DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace. Share the good news..

All: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Thank you to our lector Katie Ottley, ushers Echo Fettes & Tyrel Rinks, musician Mik Bickis, choir director Deborah Buck, and technical support Greg Fowlie-Neufeld for assisting in worship today. Thanks also to Sheila Mogk for serving as coffee host, and to the Augustana-St. Timothy's Choir for the special music.

Last Sunday's in-person attendance: 50

Please keep in your thoughts and hearts those in need of our prayers, especially Alice D. & Alice H., Ann Jane, Audrey, Brodie, Bruce, Carrie, Curtis U & Scott U., Danielle C., Deanna, Doug, Elma, Evelyn K. & Evelyn S., Gayle, James & Karinn, Jim, Karen, Kevin, Lynda W., Lisa, Margaret & Ken, Marlene & Ron, Mildred, Nori, Ron F., Shelby & Don, Sharon, Gord & Natalie.

First Reading – Ezekiel 37:1-14

¹THE 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. ²He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. ⁵Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶I 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."

⁷So 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. ⁸I 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. ⁹Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, 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." ¹⁰I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

¹¹Then 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.' ¹²Therefore prophecy, 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. ¹³And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴I 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.

Second Reading – Acts 2:1-21

¹WHEN THE DAY OF PENTECOST HAD COME, the apostles were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now 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. ⁶Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁷And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁸Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to

Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷'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. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

Gospel – John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

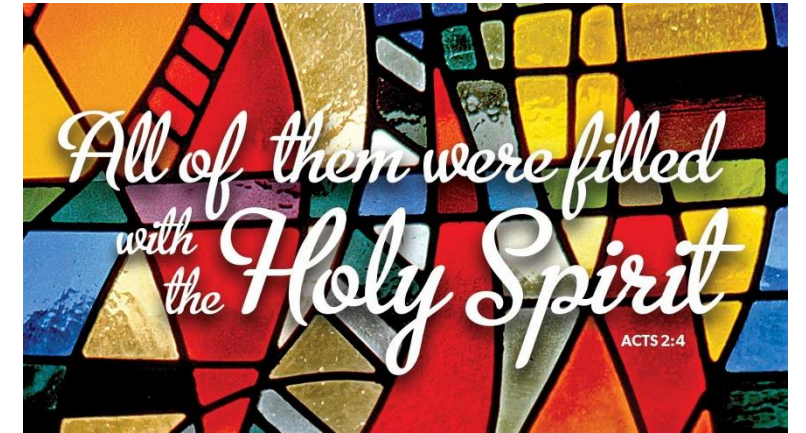
²⁶JESUS SAID TO THE DISCIPLES, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning."

^{16:4b}"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But 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. ⁷Nevertheless 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. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong ⁹about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned."

¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When 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. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."



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