



OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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At Our Savior's, We Value:

..... All Generations | Our Neighbors Near and Far | Sharing | Rejoicing and Weeping Together

MAY 31ST, 2020 + DAY OF PENTECOST

Pentecost derives its name from the Jewish festival celebrating the harvest and the giving of the law on Mount Sinai fifty days after Passover. Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the Holy Spirit as God's presence within and among us. In Acts the Spirit arrives in rushing wind and flame, bringing God's presence to all people. Paul reminds us that though we each have different capacities, we are unified in the Spirit that equips us with these gifts. Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on his disciples, empowering them to forgive sin. We celebrate that we too are given the breath of the Holy Spirit and sent out to proclaim God's redeeming love to all the world.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading. **Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**
It's your leading that we're needing. **Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**
Guide our thinking and our speaking. **Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**
Motivate all in their seeking. **Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**
Keep us fervent in our witness. **Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**
Ever grant us zealous fitness. **Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**



THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM (ELW p. 97)

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. **Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN**"O Day Full of Grace" #627**

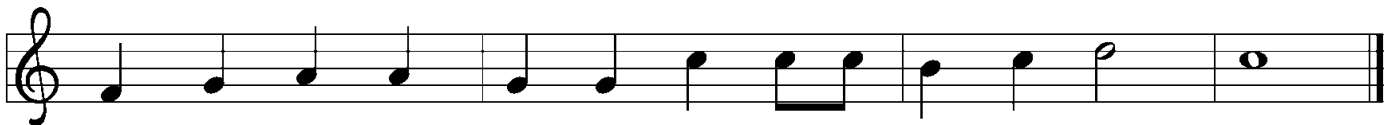
1 O day full of grace that now we see ap - pear - ing on
2 O day full of grace, O bless - ed time, our Lord on the
3 For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, when he on the
4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, the Spir - it new
5 When we on that fi - nal jour - ney go that Christ is for



earth's ho - ri - zon, bring light from our God that we may
earth ar - riv - ing; then came to the world that light sub -
cross was hang - ing; and then he a - rose and moved the
life re - veal - ing, that we might no more in death be
us pre - par - ing, we'll gath - er in song, our hearts a -



be a - bun - dant in joy this sea - son. God, shine for us
lime, great joy for us all re - triev - ing; for Je - sus all
stone, that we, un - to him be - long - ing, might join with an -
lost, its pow'r o - ver us dis - pel - ling. This flame will the
glow, all joy of the heav - ens shar - ing, and there we will



now in this dark place; your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.
mor - tals did em - brace, all shame and des - pair re - mov - ing.
gel - ic hosts to raise our voic - es in end - less sing - ing.
mark of sin ef - face and bring to us all true heal - ing.
join God's end - less praise, with an - gels and saints a - dor - ing.

GREETING (ELW p. 138)

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.

READING

"Stay" by Jan Richardson

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

"Shout to the Lord" #821

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like you. All of my days I want to praise the wonders of your mighty love. My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength; let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth; let us sing, power and majesty, praise to the King. Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands; forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand. Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, on this day, you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgement in all things and rejoice at all times in your presence, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LET THE CHILDREN COME...

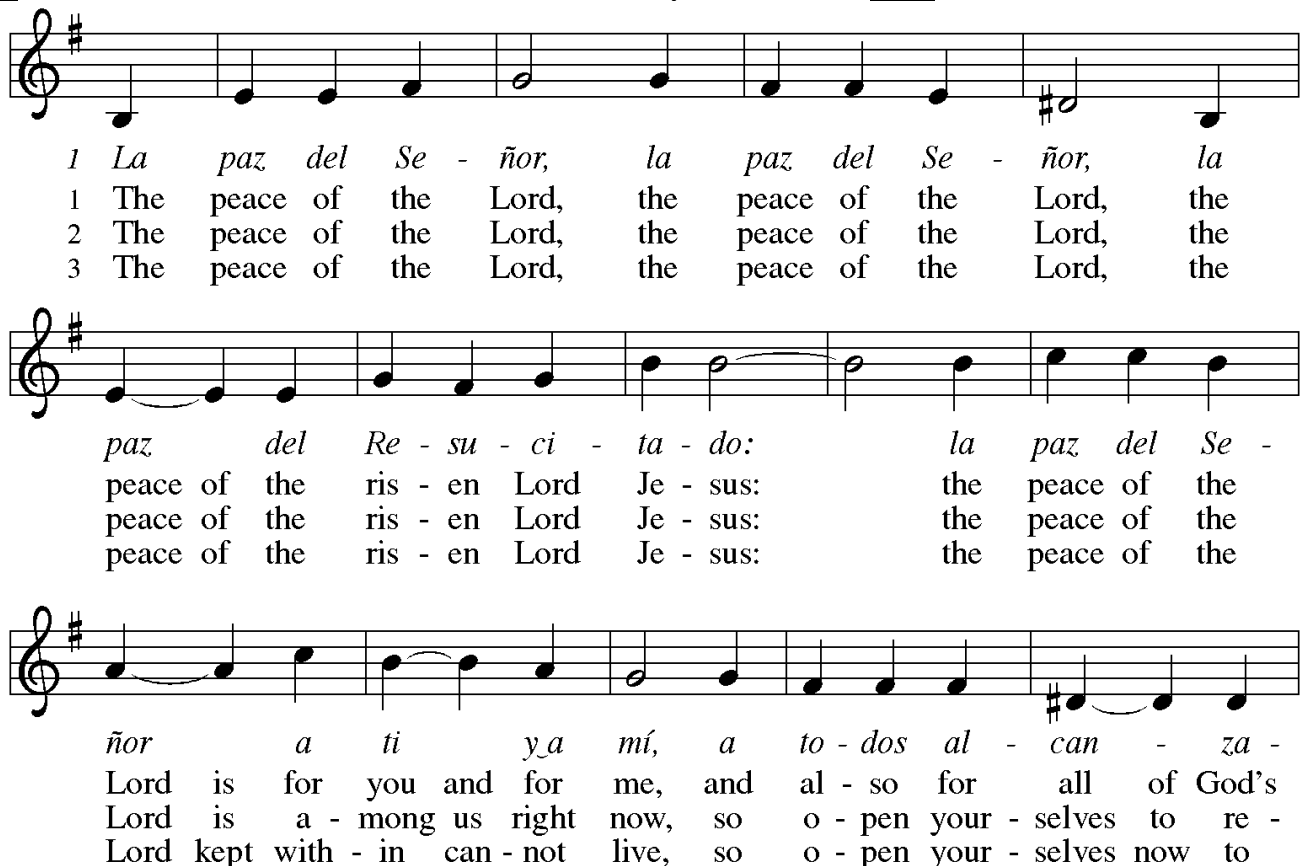
READING: John 20:19-23

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

REFLECTION

HYMN

"The Peace of the Lord: La paz del Señor" #646



1 La paz del Se - ñor, la paz del Se - ñor, la
1 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the
2 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the
3 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the

paz del Re - su - ci - ta - do: la paz del Se -
peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the
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ñor a ti ya mí, a to - dos al - can - za -
Lord is for you and for me, and al - so for all of God's
Lord is a - mong us right now, so o - pen your - selves to re -
Lord kept with - in can - not live, so o - pen your - selves now to



rá; *la paz del Se - ñor* *a ti ya*
 chil - dren. The peace of the Lord is for you and for
 ceive it. The peace of the Lord is a - mong us right
 share it. The peace of the Lord kept with - in can - not



mí, *a to - dos al - can - za - rá.*
 me, and al - so for all of God's chil - dren.
 now, so o - pen your - selves to re - ceive it.
 live, so o - pen your - selves now to share it.

READING: Acts 2:1-21


Pentecost was a Jewish harvest festival that marked the fiftieth day after Passover. Luke portrays the Holy Spirit being poured out upon the gathered and astonished people assembled in Jerusalem for the festival. Filled with the Spirit, the disciples were able to witness to the power of Christ's resurrection.

REFLECTION


HYMN

"Spirit of Gentleness" #396


Refrain




Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Paul is helping the Corinthians understand the relationship between our God-given unity and Spirit-created diversity. The Spirit creates the unity of faith and gives all Christians diverse gifts for the common benefit of all. We need one another's diverse spiritual gifts because the same Spirit has given them to each person for the common good.

REFLECTION

HYMN

“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling” #582



1 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev - er dwell-ing in the ho - liest realms of light;
2 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev - er liv - ing as the church's ver - y life;
3 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev - er work-ing through the church's min - is - try;



Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood-ing o'er a world of gloom and night;
Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing through us in a cease - less strife;
quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab - solv - ing, set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free;



Ho-ly Spir - it, ev - er rais - ing those of earth to thrones on high;
 Ho-ly Spir - it, ev - er form - ing in the church the mind of Christ:
 Ho-ly Spir - it, ev - er bind - ing age to age and soul to soul



liv - ing, life - im - part - ing Spir - it, you we praise and mag - ni - fy.
 you we praise with end - less wor - ship for your gifts and fruits un - priced.
 in com - mu - nion nev - er end - ing, you we wor - ship and ex - tol.

CREED (ELW p. 104)

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 for 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We respond to our prayers in song this day, singing this response at the end of each petition.



Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus. Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.
 Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us. Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

HYMN:

"We Are An Offering" #692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that hope to be, we give to you, we give you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

ANOINTING YOURSELF FOR THE JOURNEY

*Anointing is an ancient practice of honoring transition times in life. We can practice anointing of ourselves as a way of celebrating our life journeys and what our dreams are for the time ahead. **With oils:** Dip your fingers in and begin to bless the different parts of your body.*

Feet – bless your feet, asking that they might carry you forward in to new possibilities

Hands – bless your hands, asking that they might help you to give form to creative expressions

Heart – bless your heart, asking that it be open to wonder and numinous moments

Throat – bless your throat, asking that you gain courage to speak your truth

Lips – bless your lips, asking that you take in that which is most nourishing

Forehead – bless your forehead, asking that intuition and the wisdom of dreams help guide you

Bless us. Come, Holy Spirit, Come.

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN:

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again" #536



- 1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; by good coun-sels guide, up - hold you,
- 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; ho - ly wings se - cure - ly hide you,
- 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's per - ils thick con-found you,



with a shep-herd's care en - fold you;
dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you; God be with you till we meet a - gain.
put un-fail - ing arms a - round you;

Refrain



Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Je - sus' feet;



till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet a - gain.

DISMISSAL

Pastor Emmy Swedlund | (701) 552 – 2419 | rev.emmy@gmail.com

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Office Coordinator Brenda Skramstad

Youth Director Kyla Fetsch

Special thanks to Pr. Sharayah Robinson for her continued worship leadership during these services and to the Kathryn-Nome-Fingal Lutheran Parishes as we grow and learn as church together in these challenging times.

The Radio Broadcast is sponsored by Dan and Ruth Larson.

Radio broadcast of the 8:30 a.m. worship is on Sunday at 11:00 a.m. on KOVC 1490 AM. To sponsor a broadcast, please contact the church office. The cost is \$100 and may be gifted in memory or in honor of someone or a significant event. Your gift to this ministry is appreciated.

At this time, we refrain from worshipping in person. Your church council is working to put a plan for resuming in person gatherings. When we do get together, things are likely to be a bit different – at least for a while.

Like and Follow “Our Savior’s Lutheran Church, Valley City, ND” on Facebook to stay connected with our church community during these challenging times. Look for prayer and other opportunities each week, and watch our Sunday worship on Facebook Live every Sunday.

Monday Morning Prayer Group will not gather in person at this time. From wherever we are on Monday mornings, we will start our week in prayer as we pause and pray for the people of Our Savior's as well as a variety of prayer concerns. Join us this week as we pray for: Eugene & Arlene Heise; Daryl & Becky Heise; Dennis Heise; Katie Hejtmanek, Cadyn, Brett; Paul & Barb Henke; LaVerne Henne; Larry Hetland, Andrea; Dale Hildebrandt.

Youth Activities Update! This year’s VBS, scheduled for June 3rd – 5th, has been cancelled. Likewise, all programming run by or hosted at Red Willow Bible Camp has been cancelled for the summer.

We want your email addresses! If you’d like to be a part of our weekly e-mail blasts and on the list to receive other important church information via email, please call the office at 845 – 1328.

Thank You for your continued offerings and prayers in support of the ministry of Our Savior’s Lutheran Church. Offerings can be mailed to the church office at 138 3rd St. NW, Valley City, ND. Online offerings can be made at the church website, www.oursaviorsvc.org, by clicking the blue “Give Now” button at the bottom of the homepage.

January-April 2020

Year To Date Income \$141,601.32

Year To Date Expense \$127,392.87

Year To Date-Income over expense \$14,208.45

A week of OSLC ministry \$7,148.10

Last week’s general fund offering \$7,051.66

For members and friends of the Kathryn-Nome-Fingal Parishes: To continue stewardship and giving to the Kathryn-Nome-Fingal parish congregations, checks can be sent directly to your congregational Treasurer or to the following addresses: Kathryn Parish: PO Box 198, Kathryn, ND 58049. Nome-Fingal Parish: PO Box 7, Fingal, ND 58031. With any questions, please reach out to your congregational President or Pr. Sharayah.