



Day of Pentecost

May 24, 2026 - 10:00 am

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Lakeside Community Lutheran Church

Webster, WI

Introduction

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.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

*(*Denotes stand as you are able)*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

P. Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

C. We glorify our God with songs of thanksgiving and joy.

P. God has done great things for us, filling us with grace.

C. God fed our ancestors in the wilderness, God clothes us with hope.

P. We will offer our hearts to God, always saying, 'Thank you!' to the One who loves us.

C. We will sing our praises, shouting of God's presence in our lives, while loving Christ through loving community. Amen.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P. Today we acknowledge sin pulls us away from God. Let us pray together, saying,

C. Lord, I confess to you that many times I try to do things my own way instead of yours. Please forgive me for straying off the path you wish for me.

P. Good News! We are forgiven! “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths” (Proverbs 3:5-6)

C. Father, truly you are a loving God, you have a plan for me. I thank you for giving me Jesus for the forgiveness of my sins and the Holy Spirit to help guide me every day. Amen.

***GATHERING HYMN**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

ELW 733



1 Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in
pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



pas - sions they fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy



hand hath pro - vid - ed; great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me.

Text: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1866–1960

Music: FAITHFULNESS, William M. Runyan, 1870–1957

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***GREETING**

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.

***KYRIE**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



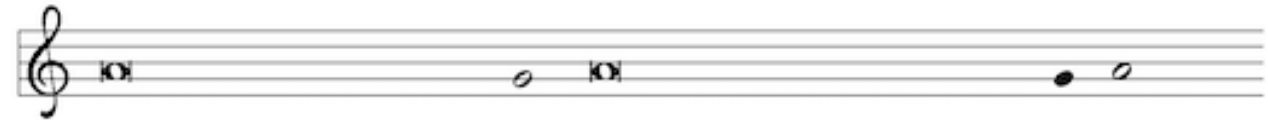
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

*CANTICLE OF PRAISE



Assisting minister

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

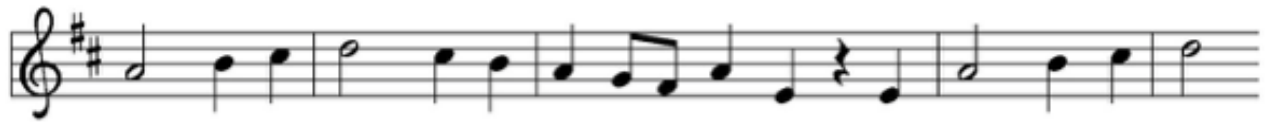


All

Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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 judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM

Let Us Build a House

Music by Marty Haugen, arr. by Lloyd Larson

WORD

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² 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. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴ 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. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, 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.

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

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

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

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ”
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

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

²⁵ **Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to
number,**

living things both small and great.

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

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

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

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

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

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

³² You look at the earth and it trembles;

you touch the mountains and they smoke.

³³ **I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;**

I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴ **May these words of mine please God.**

I will rejoice in the Lord.

^{35b} **Bless the Lord, O my soul.**

Hallelujah!

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

^{3b} No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, ⁵ and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***PLEASE RISE FOR THE PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL**

Gospel: John 20:19-23

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If

you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Peter Johnson

HYMN OF THE DAY

Spirit of Gentleness

ELW 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.

Refrain

“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.

*APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PUBLIC PRAYERS

Pray For Me

Ty Herndon

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

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

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

THANKSGIVING FOR OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERING



Thank you for supporting the mission and ministries of the church! Sharing God's gifts in offering allows us to more fully live into our mission of

Loving Christ through Loving Community

Offering

Third Day

***OFFERING PRAYER**

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord. **Amen.**

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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

The table is set. The meal is prepared. Come. All are welcome to the feast.

COMMUNION

Stay With Me, Lord

Ferdinand Bautista

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery of communion in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world nourished by your Word and strengthened by the Holy Spirit; to love community through loving you, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, **Amen.**

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CLOSING HYMN The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve ELW 551**

- 1 The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.
- 2 We go to comfort those who mourn
and set the burdened free;
where hope is dim, to share a dream
and help the blind to see.
- 3 We go to be the hands of Christ,
to scatter joy like seed
and, all our days, to cherish life,
to do the loving deed.
- 4 Then let us go to serve in peace,
the gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us;
we go in Jesus' name. **Repeat Verse 4**

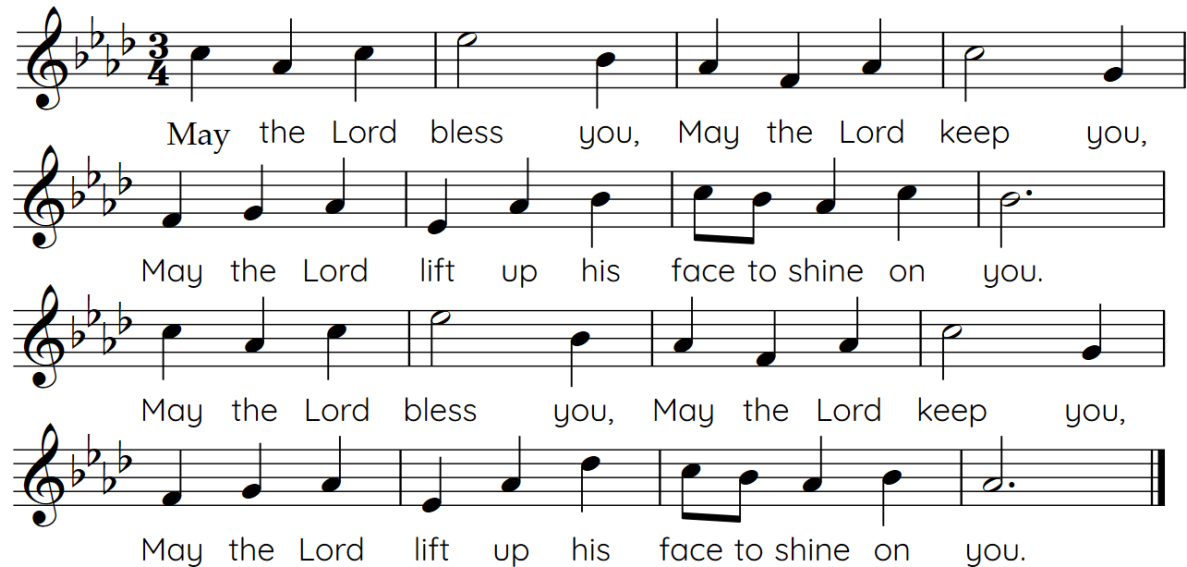
***BLESSING**

May the glory and the promise of this joyous time of year bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear.

May Christ, our Risen Savior, always be there by your side to bless you in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*BENEDICTION SONG



May the Lord bless you, May the Lord keep you,
May the Lord lift up his face to shine on you.
May the Lord bless you, May the Lord keep you,
May the Lord lift up his face to shine on you.

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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Let us together lift up a prayer of thanks for today's participants:

Pastor Peter Johnson; Service Accompanist Judi Wilson; The Lakeside Choir led by Dave Speidel; Producer Kristy Dubois; Video Creator Marshall Hoff; Altar Guild Sandie Fisher & Sue Oslund; Counters Ken & Norma Olson; Shepherding Conveners Marilyne & Steve Gallman; Shepherds Carol Aakhus, Marshall & Diane Hoff, Sue Oslund, Ann & Ron Peterson, and Dawn Straub.

The Flowers on the altar are from Marilyne & Steve Gallman in celebration of their 28th wedding anniversary and celebration of 42 years of being best friends. Congratulations!

Let's Reconnect 2026! All are welcome to Lakeside's annual "Let's Reconnect" chicken dinner—a great chance to meet friends old and new. Enjoy fried chicken, mashed potatoes, salads, rolls, dessert, and drinks on **Saturday, May 30, 2026 at 5:00 pm**. Adult tickets: \$16, Children under 10: \$8. Tickets can be purchased after worship today in the narthex or contact Linda Dobson at lindadobsonevents.com or (612) 209-8697.

Whispering Waters Worship Service will be held at Lakeside's outdoor worship area at 7 pm every Wednesday, Memorial Day through Labor Day, (May 27th – September 2nd) rain or shine! If inclement weather, we will have worship service inside the church.

WELCA is seeking crafters for the annual Quilt, Bake & Craft Sale held at the church on the Saturday of Labor Day weekend, September 5th. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Sandie Fisher at (715) 566-2883.

Altar Guild. Serving on the altar guild is a vital, behind-the-scenes ministry at Lakeside Community Lutheran Church. Members of the altar guild are primarily responsible for preparing the sanctuary for worship, taking care of sacred vessels and linens, and setting up the altar for

services. If you are interested in participating in the Altar Guild, please contact Linda Speidel at (952) 334-1914. Training will be provided.