

Jerusalem

evangelical lutheran church

May 19, 2024
Day of Pentecost
8:30 AM Worship Service



PENTECOST SUNDAY

Mission Statement

SOW. The Gospel of Jesus the Christ to all generations

GROW. His followers into spiritually mature disciples

GO. Back into the world to serve others in His name

WELCOME

We are so glad you have chosen to join with us today as we gather in worship to give thanks to our gracious and loving God. If you have particular needs and/or questions please speak with an usher. Again, thanks for spending a little time with us.

THIS WEEK AT JERUSALEM

Sunday, May 19

Pentecost

Last Regular Worship Schedule

8:30 AM Traditional service with live stream

9:45 AM Christian Education

Adult Forum

11:00 AM Contemporary service with live stream

Monday, May 20

6:00 PM Yoga Class (YC)

Tuesday, May 21

6:00 PM Women's Bible Study (YC)

Wednesday, May 22

6:30 PM Confirmation Rehearsal Dinner (SH)

8:00 PM AA Meeting (YC)

Saturday, May 25

7:00 PM AA Meeting (YC)

Sunday, May 26

Single Summer Worship Schedule Begins

9:30 AM Single summer combined worship service
with live stream

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “*Spirit of the Living Lord*” Thygerson

EASTER DIALOGUE

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

***HYMN** “*O Holy Spirit, Root of Life*” (#399:1, 3)

1. O Holy Spirit, root of life,
creator, cleanser of all things:
anoint our wounds, awaken us
with lustrous movement of your wings.

3. O holy Wisdom, soaring pow’r,
encompass us with wings unfurled,
and carry us, encircling all
above, below, and through the world.

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*GREETING

P: 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 (SUNG)

CANTOR:

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace from above and for our
salvation, 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 worship and
praise, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

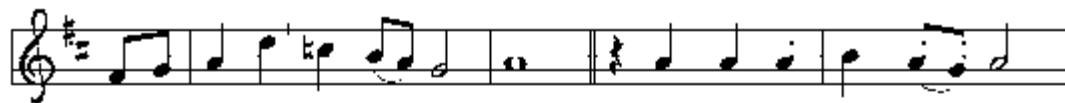


A - men.

*HYMN OF PRAISE "This Is the Feast"



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,

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al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of

God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,

glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - - men.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST 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. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, 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.’ ”

L: The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING Romans 8:22-27

²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

L: The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

CANTOR: Come, Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful,
and kindle in us the fire of your love.

ALL: **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

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

The holy gospel according to John, the fifteenth and sixteenth chapters.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ²⁶“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?’ ⁶But 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 about sin and righteousness and

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judgment: ⁹about 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 judgment, 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.”

P: The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

***HYMN** “*Creator Spirit, Heavenly Dove*” (#577:1, 2, 3, 7)

1. Creator Spirit, heav’nly dove,
descend upon us from above;
with graces manifold restore
Your creatures as they were before.

2. To You, the Comforter, we cry;
to You, the gift of God most high,
true fount of life, the fire of love,
the soul’s anointing from above.

3. In You, with graces sevenfold,
we God’s almighty hand behold;
while You with tongues of fire proclaim
to all the world God’s holy name.

7. Praise to Your eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

*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.**

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each portion of the prayer ends: A: Lord, in your mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all! **And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC “*Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me*” arr. Scott **Chancel Choir**

*OFFERING PRAYER

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.**

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

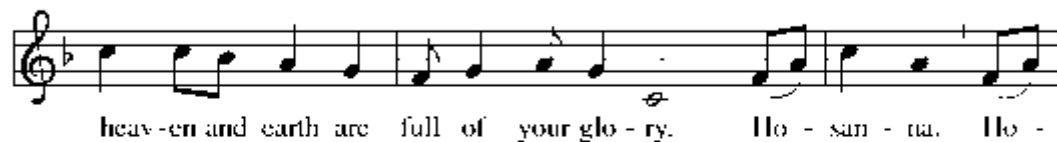
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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.**

*PREFACE

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

***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**

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.
Come and eat at God's table.

LAMB OF GOD


Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

Please come forward down the center aisle, receive a cup from the usher, and fill the altar rail from the left (pulpit side) to the right (lectern side). Gluten-free wafers are available in the container on the harpsichord. You may take the wafer for yourself. Grape juice is available from the ushers for those who do not take wine..

COMMUNION HYMNS #396, #405

*COMMUNION BLESSING

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

*POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

O Lord, now let your servant depart in heav'nly peace,
for I have seen the glory of your redeeming grace:
a light to lead the nations unto your holy hill,
the glory of your people, your chosen Israel.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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. **Amen.**

*BENEDICTION

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.**

*HYMN “Glorious Jerusalem” (*Worship, inside back cover*)

1. Glorious Jerusalem and Zion her gem,
Home of beauty, joy and peace and heavenly grace:
Beacon beckoning to all, mindful child and prodigal,
pilgrims on a holiday, chanting psalms along the way:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Lord, Jerusalem,
Praise your God, O Zion!

2. Glorious Jerusalem and Zion her gem,
Home of beauty, joy and peace and heavenly grace:
There the Savior long foretold, there the Savior twelve years old,
there the Savior crucified, there the Savior glorified:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Lord, Jerusalem,
Praise your God, O Zion!

3. Glorious Jerusalem and Zion her gem,
Home of beauty, joy and peace and heavenly grace:
That same glory fills this place with our God's astounding grace,
lives and hopes and peace restored by the sacraments and Word:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Lord, Jerusalem,
Praise your God, O Zion!

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4. Glorious Jerusalem and Zion her gem,
Home of beauty, joy and love come down from above:
There at last the perfect place, there one great harmonious race,
like her Bridegroom glorified, sings the Church His glowing Bride:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Lord, Jerusalem,
Praise your God, O Zion!

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***DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Go in peace.

Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE *“Come, Holy Ghost, Lord God”* Zachau

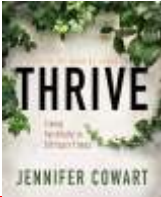
TRIVIA NIGHT: CANCELED



*Please note that due to low sign-ups
this event has been canceled.*

We will rescheduled this event sometime on the fall.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Thrive based on the book of James. *Thrive* focus is to help women develop the habits and attitudes necessary to *thrive*, endure hardships whatever their circumstances, humility and controlling our words.

Tuesdays at 6:00 PM in the Youth Center.

Any questions please reach out to Jen Wolk or Glenda Ortiz.

CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL DINNER



Confirmands in the 8th grade are getting ready with final preparations before Confirmation Sunday on **June 2nd at 9:30 AM** (there will only be one service). All 7th & 8th grade students from our Confirmation class and their families (parents and siblings) are invited and strongly encouraged to join us for a Confirmation Dinner & Rehearsal on:

Wednesday, May 22nd starting at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall.

Look for complete details and sign-up RSVP link in your email.

SUMMER SINGLE WORSHIP SCHEDULE



Last Sunday for our 8:30 & 11 AM worship services will be May 19th. Sunday School and Confirmation Class will also conclude for the summer on May 19th.

Starting Sunday, May 26th we will begin our summer worship schedule of a single service at 9:30 AM with live stream.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: CAROL SOUDER



Final arrangements for Carol Souder's memorial service is scheduled for the evening of **Wednesday, May 29th** at Jerusalem Lutheran Church.

Visitation for family and friends starts at 6:00 PM.

Memorial service will be at 7:30 PM

Light refreshments following in the Social Hall.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE



Sunday, June 9th at 10:00 AM
Upper Salford Park in Schwenksville

Worship service will be at 10:00 AM followed by lunch.
Games and activities for kids will be available.

Please join us during this fun time of fellowship. Please see bulletin board on Narthex for sign-up sheet, Sign-up link via email or contact the church to be added to the list.

2024 GRADUATES



Jerusalem is proud of the young men and women who have reached this important milestones in their lives. If you know of, or have in your family, a high school graduate or technical school/trade school/college graduate, please email his/her name along with graduation picture or current picture to the church office at:
secretary@jelc.org.

VBS 2024: CAMP FIRELIGHT

This year VBS is scheduled to take place the week of:
June 24th-June 28th from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM. Closing program will be June 30th.



As we journey through our week we will learn
"whenever we are afraid we will put our trust in God" Psalm 56:3.

We will learn to:
Trust God to go with us!
Trust God to lead the way!
Trust God to share wisdom!
Trust God to give us peace!
Trust God to spark joy!

We are in need of extra helping hands and teen volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering and help make this ministry happen please reach out to Glenda Ortiz in the church office at secretary@jelc.org

You can sign-up for the entire week or just a few days. We would love to have you!!
The more helping hands the merrier.



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SERVING TODAY

8:30 AM

Ushers: Bill & Janet Luyben

Acolyte: Logan Dice

Cantor: Jack Bowman

Worship Assistant: Robin Schlichter

Counters: Linda Kehs, Mary Jane Kehs, & Ardie Musselman

Altar Guild: Renee Bartlett & Tricia Hawks

Banners: Louise Hunsicker & John Souder

*Altar flowers are presented by Jack Bowman,
in loving memory of Dottie Bowman.*

Geranium flowers are donated by John Markley in honor of Pentecost Day.

PRAYER CONCERNS....

PRAYERS FOR SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL HEALING & RENEWAL

Diane Burger, Babs deFrenes, Pat Giarrocco, Joe Hallman, Marion Herden,
Nellie Ann Kodoziejski, John Markley, Gene Miesse, Linda Petrucelli,
Noel Pumphrey, Barbara Rex, Robert Schirk, Jennifer Sone, & Carol Sprainer.

ONGOING PRAYERS

DiDomenico Family, Susie Barker, Phillip Bertsch, Jeanne Bullard, Bryan Delowery,
Audrey Englehart, Betty Erwin, Anne Fisher, Aaron Hamlin, Morgan (Smith) Jordan,
Leslie Leben, Sharon Morgan, George Miller, Janet Neumann, Bev O'Brien,
Parker Oehler, Ashely Steele, Ed Witte, & Marie Wolfe.

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