



Jerusalem

evangelical lutheran church

May 24, 2026
Day of Pentecost
11:00 AM Worship Service



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.

Nursery Care is available for younger children downstairs in the room across from the Coffee Corner.

THIS WEEK AT JERUSALEM

Sunday, May 24	<i>Pentecost Sunday (Wear Red)</i>	
	11:00 AM	Worship Service with Communion and live stream
Monday, May 25		<i>Happy Memorial Day</i>
Wednesday, May 27	7:00 PM	AA Meeting (YC)
Thursday, May 28	12:30 PM	Monthly Luncheon
Friday, May 29	6:00 PM	Community Outreach Meal (SH)
Saturday, May 30	7:00 AM	AA Meeting (YC)
	2:00 PM	Family Trivia (SH)
Sunday, May 31		<i>Holy Trinity Sunday</i>
	10:30 AM	Worship Service with Communion and live stream

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PRELUDE “*Veni Sancte Spiritus (Come Holy Spirit)*” Osterland

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*GATHERING SONG “*Spirit of Gentleness*” (#396)

REFRAIN:

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness
calling and free;
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness,
wind, wind on the sea.

1. You moved on the waters,
You called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains
from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons
You called to each thing:
“Awake from your slumbers
and rise on your wings.”
REFRAIN.

2. You swept through the desert,
You stung with the sand,
and You goaded your people
with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded

with idols and lies,
then You spoke through your prophets
to open their eyes.
REFRAIN.

3. You sang in a stable,
You cried from a hill,
then You whispered in silence
when the whole world was still;
and down in the city
You called once again,
when You blew through Your people
on the rush of the wind.
REFRAIN.

4. You call from tomorrow,
You break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow
all the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions,
our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions
Your people arise. REFRAIN.

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*THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne
and to the Lamb! **Amen.**

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

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Merciful God,
 you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters.
 We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.
 We thank you for the waters that nourish us.
 Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys.
 We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for
 joining us in joy and sorrow.

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows.
 Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace.

Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new
 creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise,
 now and forever. **Amen.**

***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 (SUNG)**



***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.

SPECIAL MUSIC “*Beach Spring*” A. K. Organ

Logan Dice, alto sax

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.**

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



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

ALL: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

***GOSPEL READING John 20:19-23**

The holy gospel according to John, the twentieth chapter. **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."

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

SERMON

Pastor Chris McKinstry

***HYMN OF THE DAY** "*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.

***NICENE CREED**

**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
he 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 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 MUSIC “*O Heiliger Geist*” Niedling

Dylan Dice

See hymn #405, “*O Spirit of Life*,” for the English translation of this hymn.*If desired to make an online offering donation or to set-up automatic recurring payments, please scan the attached QR code on the back of the bulletin.****OFFERING PRAYER (UNISON)**

Merciful God,

accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more.**Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.*****GREAT THANKSGIVING (SPOKEN)**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**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav-en. and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the



high - est. Bless - ed. is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

***EUCCHARISTIC 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**

Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

DISTRIBUTION - AT THE RAIL

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 small table. You may take the wafer for yourself. Grape juice is available from the ushers for those who do not take wine..

COMMUNION HYMNS #582, #786

***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**

Holy One,
through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new.
Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

***BENEDICTION**

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, ✚ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN** “*Glorious Jerusalem*” (*Worship* book, 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!

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**

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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

*"I will pour out my Spirit
on all people."*

Joel 2:28, NIV



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SERVING TODAY

11:00 AM

Ushers: Paul Ensminger &
Joan Connolly

Acolyte: Ella Cusumano

Cantor: Dylan Dice

Worship Assistant: Robin Schlichter

Nursery Assistant: TBD

Counters: Tim & Nancy Arnold
Altar Guild: Renee Bartlett & Tricia Hawks
Banners: Louise Hunsicker & John Souder

*Altar flowers are presented by Varga Family,
in celebration of Pentecost Sunday..*

*Thank you to John Markley for donating the red geranium plants in the
Sanctuary for Pentecost Sunday.
Also, thanks to Paul Ensminger & Tim Arnold for their help.*

PRAYER CONCERNS....

PRAYERS FOR SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL HEALING & RENEWAL

Tanner Antlilosky, Nate Blinebury, Martin Conte, Dice Family, Debbie Feitchthaler,
Margaret Fisher, Anne Fisher, Amelia Hawks, Greg Kealey, Derek Kirby, Bill Luyben,
John Markley, Gene & Pat Miesse, Bev O'Brien, Daniela Rivera, Don Peters,
Linda Petruccelli, Joseph Russella, Mary Ann Schofield, Joseph Schmitt,
Jennifer Sone, Savoeun Touch, Gail Wetzel, Bobbie Willis, & Wolk Family.

ONGOING PRAYERS

Susie Barker, Jeanne Bullard, Babs deFrenes, Audrey Englehart,
Effa Hunt, Donnie Grosick, Nellie Ann Kodoziejski, Leslie Leben,
Sharon Morgan, George Miller, Janet Neumann, Noel Pumphrey,
Robert Schirk, Shawn Schlichter, Carol Sprainer, & Marie Wolfe.

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