



*Loved by God,  
Sent to Serve.*

**Day of Pentecost  
May 23/24, 2026**

# Evangelical Lutheran Worship

## GATHERING

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

**Prelude: *Channels Only***

**Ada Gibbs**

### **Welcome**

**Gathering Hymn: *Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading (vv. 1-3)***

**ELW 401**

- 1 Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading,  
fashion us all anew.  
It's your leading that we're needing,  
help us to follow you.

### **Refrain**

Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.  
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- 2 Come to teach us, come to nourish  
those who believe in Christ.  
Bless the faithful, may they flourish,  
strengthened by grace unpriced. **Refrain**

- 3 Guide our thinking and our speaking  
done in your holy name.  
Motivate all in their seeking,  
freeing from guilt and shame. **Refrain**

### **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.**

Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy; have mer - cy, O Lord.

**Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray.

...one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

**WORD**

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

**First Reading: Acts 2: 1-7, 12-21**

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” <sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>‘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. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ”

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b**

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

<sup>25</sup>**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.**

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

<sup>27</sup>**All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.**

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

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

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

<sup>31</sup>**May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**

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

<sup>33</sup>**I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.**

<sup>34</sup>May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.

<sup>35b</sup>**Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!**

### **Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-7, 11-13**

<sup>3b</sup>No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. <sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

<sup>11</sup>All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses

<sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Speak O Lord as we come to You  
To receive the food of Your holy word  
Take Your truth plant it deep in us  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory

### **Gospel: John 20: 19-23**

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup>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.” <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>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.**

**Hymn of the Day: *Holy Spirit Truth Divine* (vv. 1-2, 4-5)**

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1. Holy Spirit, truth divine,  
dawn upon this soul of mine;  
breath of God and inward light,  
wake my spirit, clear my sight.
2. Holy Spirit, love divine,  
glow within this heart of mine;  
kindle ev'ry high desire;  
purge me with your holy fire.
- 4 Holy Spirit, peace divine,  
still this restless heart of mine;  
speak to calm this tossing sea,  
stayed in your tranquility.
- 5 Holy Spirit, right divine,  
king within my conscience reign;  
be my guide, and I shall be  
firmly bound, forever free.

**Apostles' Creed**

*Together let us profess our faith with the words of the 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 Intercession**

...Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**  
...through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

### **Sharing of the Peace**

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

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### **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### **Offering: *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful***

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*Thank you for your gifts and offerings. Whether you give electronically, or by cash or check in an envelope, we greatly appreciate your continued support of God's ministries.*

### **Offering Prayer**

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**And also with you.**

**We lift them to the Lord.**

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## **Preface**

## **Holy, Holy, Holy**

## **Thanksgiving at the Table**

### **Lord's Prayer**

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

**Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come,**

**your will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those**

**who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial**

**and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours,**

**now and forever. Amen.**

## **Invitation to Communion**

## **Behold the Lamb**

1 Here is bread, here is wine,  
Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Break the bread, taste the wine,  
Christ is with us here.

**Refrain**

In this bread there is healing,  
In this cup is life forever.  
In this moment, by the Spirit,  
Christ is with us here.

2. Here is grace, here is peace,  
Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Know his grace, find his peace,  
Feast on Jesus here. Refrain

3. Here we are, joined in one,  
Christ is with us, he is with us.  
We'll proclaim till he comes  
Jesus crucified. Refrain.

**Post-Communion Blessing**

**...Amen.**

**Prayer after Communion**

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Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

**SENDING**

*God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

**Announcements**

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace. **Amen**

## Sending Hymn: *God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind*

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- 1 God of tempest, God of whirlwind,  
as on Pentecost descend!  
Drive us out from sheltered comfort;  
past these walls your people send!  
Sweep us into costly service,  
there with Christ to bear the cross,  
there with Christ to bear the cross!
- 2 God of blazing, God of burning,  
all that blocks your purpose, purge!  
Through your church, Christ's living Body,  
let your flaming Spirit surge!  
Where deceit conceals injustice,  
kindle us to speak your truth,  
kindle us to speak your truth!
- 3 God of earthquake, God of thunder,  
shake us loose from lethargy!  
Break the chains of sin asunder,  
for earth's healing set us free!  
Crumble walls that still divide us;  
make us one in Christ our Lord,  
make us one in Christ our Lord!
- 4 God of passion, God unsleeping,  
stir in us love's restlessness!  
Where the people cry in anguish,  
may we share your heart's distress.  
Rouse us from content with evil;  
claim us for your kingdom's work,  
claim us for your kingdom's work!

## **Dismissal**

Go in peace. to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude: *The Zeal of the Lord***

**Anthony Giamanco**

## **Announcements**

### **This Week at Lord of Life**

Saturday, May 23	4:00PM	Worship in-person or online
Sunday, May 24	10:30AM	Worship in person
Thursday, May 28	11:30AM	Sr. Luncheon – The Barn
	6:30PM	Stephen Ministry
Saturday May 30	4:00PM	Worship in person or online
Sunday May 31	10:30AM	Worship in person

## **Thank you**

Thank you to Rev. Dr. Troy Troftgruben for sharing the good news of the gospel with us this morning.

## **Summer Worship Schedule**

Our summer worship schedule begins this Saturday and Sunday (May 23/24). There will be a Saturday service at 4:00PM in person or online and a Sunday service at 10:30AM in person.

## **Adult Bible Study**

Thank you to Rich Mohr-Kelly who has volunteered to take the lead of the Adult Bible Study on Sunday mornings at 9:15. He is planning on facilitating these discussions throughout the summer. It will continue to be held on Sundays at the 9:15AM time. Please refer any questions to Rich.

## **Newsletter**

As of now, there will not be a Newsletter for the months of June and July. Please let the office know of any announcements you would like printed in the bulletin or added to the weekly emails.



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### **Worship Online**

YouTube Channel: Lord of Life Lutheran Church; website: lordoflife.online  
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### **This Week's Worship Servants**

<b>Readers:</b>	4:00	10:30
<b>Ushers:</b>	4:00 Gilbertson's	10:30
<b>Tech/PPT:</b>	4:00 Joan Cram	10:30

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