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PENTECOST

SUNDAY



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Pentecost Sunday

Pre-Service Personal Prayer: *Dear Holy Spirit, Who has always gathered and protected the company of believers, we thank You that You have graciously made us members of Your Church on earth. Fill us with love and zeal for the Gospel and cause our faith to increase. For Jesus' sake, Amen.*

Today's Worship!

Greeting and Prayer

Hymn 39 (red hymnal): *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him,
for He is Thy Health and Salvation!
Join the full throng:**

*Wake, harp and psalter and song;
Sound forth in glad adoration!*

**3. Praise to the Lord, who hath
fearfully, wondrously, made thee;
Health hath vouchsafed and, when
heedlessly falling, hath stayed thee.**

What need or grief

Ever hath failed of relief?--

Wings of His mercy did shade thee.

**2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all
things so wondrously reigneth,
Who, as on wings of an eagle,
uplifteth, sustaineth.**

Hast thou not seen

*How thy desires all have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?*

**4. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper
thy work and defend thee,
Who from the heavens the streams
of His mercy doth send thee.**

Ponder anew

What the Almighty can do,

Who with His love doth befriend thee.

**5. Praise to the Lord! Oh, let
all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath,
come now with praises before Him!**

Let the Amen

Sound from His people again;

Gladly for aye we adore Him.

The Invocation *We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen!

The Confession and Absolution of Sins *We come before our Holy God admitting that we are sinful and need His forgiveness.*

P We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve Him as His dear children. But we have disobeyed Him

and deserve only His wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to Him and plead for His mercy.

C Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against You and do not deserve to be called Your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to Your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, He has removed your guilt forever. You are His own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to His will!

C Amen!

Lord, Have Mercy *Kyrie*

C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Glory to God in the Highest *Gloria in Excelsis*

C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,
Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:
We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,
Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

The Prayer for the Day

The main thoughts for the day are collected together in this prayer.

- P** Let us pray. . . through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: *Joel 2:28-32*

"And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. ²⁹ Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit. ³⁰ "And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. ³¹ The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. ³² And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

The Responsive Psalm Reading: *Psalms 11*

- P** In the LORD I take refuge; how can you say to my soul,
- C** "Flee like a bird to your mountain,
- P** For behold, the wicked bend the bow;
- C** They have fitted their arrow to the string to shoot in the dark at the upright in heart;
- P** If the foundations are destroyed,
- C** What can the righteous do?"
- P** The LORD is in his holy temple; the LORD's throne is in heaven;
- C** His eyes see, his eyelids test the children of man.
- P** The LORD tests the righteous,
- C** But his soul hates the wicked and the one who loves violence.
- P** Let him rain coals on the wicked;
- C** Fire and sulfur and a scorching wind shall be the portion of their cup.
- P** For the LORD is righteous; he loves righteous deeds;
- C** The upright shall behold his face.



The Gospel Reading: *John 14:15-21*

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷ even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸ "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

P Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows four staves of musical notation in treble clef. The first staff contains the text 'C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!' with notes and rests. The second staff contains 'These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that' with notes and rests. The third staff contains 'Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.' with notes and rests. The fourth staff contains 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!' with notes and rests.

The Apostle's Creed *We boldly confess what we believe.*

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven; And is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn 225 (red hymnal): *Come, Holy Spirit, Come*

**1. *Come, Holy Spirit, Come!*
Let Thy bright beams arise;
Dispel the sorrow from our minds,
*The darkness from our eyes.***

**3. *Convince us of our sin,*
Then lead to Jesus' blood,
And to our wondering view reveal
*The mercies of our God.***

**2. *Revive our drooping faith,*
Our doubts and fears remove,
And kindle in our breasts the flame
*Of never-dying love.***

**4. *'Tis Thine to cleanse the heart,*
To sanctify the soul,
To pour fresh life into each part,
*And new-create the whole.***

**5. *Dwell, therefore, in our hearts;*
Our minds from bondage free;
Then shall we know and praise and love
*The Father, Son, and Thee.***

The Sermon: *Ephesians 4:4-7,11-16*

There is one body and one Spirit--just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call--⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism,⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.⁷ But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift...

¹¹ And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers,¹² to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,¹³ until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,¹⁴ so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.¹⁵ Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ,¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

The One Spirit Grows the One Body of Christ

- I. The Holy Spirit works to unite the Body in faith
- II. The Holy Spirit works to equip the Body for the ministry
- III. The Holy Spirit works to build the Body in love

The Offertory



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me
not a - way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
Your sal - va - tion. Up - hold with Your Spir - it free.

Hymn 236 (red hymnal): *Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid*

1. Creator Spirit, by whose aid
*The world's foundations first were laid,
Come, visit every humble mind;
Come, pour Thy joys on humankind;
From sin and sorrow set us free
And make Thy temples worthy Thee.*

3. Plentous of grace, descend from high
*Rich in Thy sevenfold energy;
Make us eternal truths receive
And practice all that we believe;
Give us Thyself that we may see
The Father and the Son by Thee.*

2. O Source of uncreated light,
*The Father's promised Paraclete,
Thrice holy Fount, thrice holy Fire,
Our hearts with heavenly love inspire;
Come and Thy sacred unction bring
To sanctify us while we sing.*

4. Immortal honor, endless fame,
*Attend the almighty Father's name;
The Savior Son be glorified,
Who for lost man's redemption died;
And equal adoration be,
Eternal Paraclete, to Thee.*

Prayer of the Church – The Lord’s Prayer

C 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.

The Benediction

The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26)

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.
C Amen!

Hymn 235:1 (red hymnal): *O Holy Spirit, Enter In*

**1. O Holy Spirit, enter in
And in our hearts Thy work begin,
Thy temple deign to make us;
Sun of the soul, Thou Light Divine,
Around and in us brightly shine,
To joy and gladness wake us.
That we, In Thee
Truly living, To The giving
Prayer unceasing,
May in love be still increasing.**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

“If the LORD wills, we will do this or that.” James 4:15

WELCOME EVERYONE! We pray that God’s Word and our worship today will help you grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus. We ask our visitors to please sign our guest book. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you’ve found it with us. Ask our Pastor about a free Bible study he offers to explain what we believe, teach, and practice. Where and when? Your convenience.

REOPENING CHURCH SERVICES: With the Governor’s recent allowance of “social gatherings of no more than 10 people” (EO 2020-96, Section 8, Article A21), we are resuming limited attendance worship services beginning today, May 31. Until further notice, each Sunday two identical services will be held at 9:00am and 10:30am (with an additional service to be held at 12:00pm, if necessary). Each service is limited to 10 people in attendance. We are asking each person(s) wanting to attend to please contact Pastor Naumann to sign up for a particular service. Sign up will be first come, first serve. If the service that you wish to attend is full, you may be asked to attend a different one. In addition to this 10-person limit, we will also be implementing safety practices that can be found on the bulletin board by the drinking fountain.

YOUR OFFERING CONTRIBUTION: The well-being of our members, both spiritual and physical, is our foremost concern. At the same time, it is important to support our mutual work for the LORD, even during this unusual time. This can be done in several ways: Electronic giving is available through "CashApp" -- Download the CashApp on your mobile device or by going to cash.app/login. You can choose to connect a bank account, credit card or a debit card to contribute your offering. The debit card and bank account options are free when you transfer money, however, if you pay with your credit card the app will take 3% of your transaction. The church’s \$cashtag is “\$clcmztzion”. OR you may mail your contribution to Financial Secretary Nathan Fobear, 22034 Donaldson St. Dearborn, MI 48124

CLC 2020 CONVENTION POSTPONED: In a recent letter to the CLC clergy, CLC President Michael Eichstadt announced the following: “After consultation with CLC board chairmen and conference visitors, I have decided that due to the health concerns and other disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, it is necessary for us to postpone this summer's CLC Convention to June 2021. It would not be in the best interests of Christian love to ask pastors, teachers, and delegates from across the country to gather in Eau Claire at the end of July when there is so much uncertainty as to what the circumstances will be at that time. In order carry out the blessed work the

Lord has given us as faithfully as possible, we want to have good representation from all our congregations. We don't want anyone to feel uncomfortable about attending. We want to be able to direct our full attention to the work without the distractions of the current situation. May the Holy Spirit bless us with His faith-strengthening presence and guidance as we witness to the resurrection of our living Savior. May He be with us as we look ahead and prepare for next summer's family reunion."

CLC CALL NEWS: Pastor Paul Tiefel, Messiah, Eau Claire, WI has **received** the call to Redeemer, Bowdle, SD and Zion, Ipswich, SD. <> Seminary Graduate Cory Drehle will be **installed/ordained** as pastor of Berea, Sioux Falls, SD on June 14. <> Teacher Quinn Sprengeler, Redemption, Lynnwood, WA has **received** the call to teach grades 4-8 and be principal at Holy Trinity, West Columbia, SC.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

Bi-Weekly Offerings Needed:	\$2615.38	Missions Offerings YTD (includes 4% of GB & individual offerings):	\$1294.53
Bi-Weekly Offerings Received:	\$2759.00		
General Budget Needed YTD:	\$27,461.54		
General Budget Received YTD:	\$29,313.22		

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES AT MT. ZION

Thu. 6/4	7pm	Outreach Committee Meeting
Sun. 6/7	10am	Trinity Sunday Service
Tue. 6/16	7pm	Elders Meeting

IN OUR PRAYERS <> ENCOURAGEMENT LIST

Ephesians 6:18 "Be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."

Jackie McGruder remains housebound while suffering from lupus, a chronic autoimmune disease that attacks tissues and organs. **Sharon Vincent** continues to cope with the pain of a past back surgery. **Jay Sandeen** (at-distance member in Columbus, OH) is preparing with his Army unit to be deployed to Kuwait on June 25.

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