



# **THE FEAST OF PENTECOST**

Grace Lutheran Church

Hillcrest at Kavanaugh

Little Rock, Arkansas

**May 19, 2024**



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**WELCOME**

Good morning and welcome to Grace! We are glad that you joined us today, whether online or here at Grace. If you would like to learn more about the Christian faith as taught here at Grace Lutheran Church, please contact our pastor.

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Genesis 11:1–9

Acts 2:1–21

John 14:23–31

***The Holy Spirit Gives Peace***

Following the flood, Noah’s descendants failed to spread out and fill the earth as God had spoken. Rather, they exalted themselves; with “*one language and the same words*” (Gen. 11:1) they spoke proudly and arrogantly. The Lord humbled them by confusing “*the language of all the earth,*” dividing and dispersing the people (Gen. 11:9). That dispersal was reversed on Pentecost Day (the fiftieth day of Easter), when God caused the one Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to be preached in a multitude of languages. “*At this sound the multitude came together*” (Acts 2:6), for the preaching of Christ is the primary work of the Holy Spirit, whereby He gathers people from all nations into one Church. The Holy Spirit teaches and brings to our remembrance the words of Jesus, which are the words of the Father who sent Him. These words bestow forgiveness and peace to those who keep and hold on to them in love for Jesus. “*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.*” (John 14:27).

**HOLY COMMUNION**

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated in our Service this morning. If you are not a member of Grace and desire to receive this Sacrament of Christ’s body and blood given and shed for the forgiveness of sins, we ask that you first speak with our Pastor so that the unity of faith might be established. Thank you for honoring this request.

## THE ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers today are given by the Carter Stein family in honor of Emily & Carter's 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary (5/15), Emily's birthday (5/16), Bowman's birthday (5/19), and in thanksgiving to God for all his blessings.

## THOSE WHO SERVE

Pastor:  
Communion Assistant:  
Kantor:  
Altar Guild:  
Choir:  
Trumpet:  
Streaming:

Rev. Kent Schaaf  
Chaplain Shawn Found  
Jacquelyn Magnuson  
Lori Jones  
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Bob Nichols & Riley Middaugh



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# THE DIVINE SERVICE FOR THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

## Prelude

## Ringling of the Bell

*Stand*

## Confession and Absolution

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; 18:20*

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

### Exhortation

*1 John 1:8–9*

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

### Confession of Sins

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

### Absolution

*[John 20:19–23]*

- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

# Entrance Hymn: Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

LSB 498

Stanzas 2, 4, 6: Choir



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor blest, And make  
2 To You, the Coun - sel - or, we cry, To You,  
3 In You, with grac - es sev - en - fold, We God's  
4 Your light to ev - 'ry thought im - part, And shed



our hearts Your place of rest; Come with Your grace and  
the gift of God Most High; The fount of life, the  
al - might - y hand be - hold While You with tongues of  
Your love in ev - 'ry heart; The weak - ness of our



heav'n-ly aid, And fill the hearts which You have made.  
fire of love, The soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.  
fire pro - claim To all the world His ho - ly name.  
mor - tal state With death - less might in - vig - or - ate.

5 Drive far away our wily foe,  
And Your abiding peace bestow;  
With You as our protecting guide,  
No evil can with us abide.

6 Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
And You, from both, as Three in One  
That we Your name may ever bless  
And in our lives the truth confess.

△ 7 Praise we the Father and the Son  
And Holy Spirit, with them One,  
And may the Son on us bestow  
The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

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# Service of the Word

## Introit

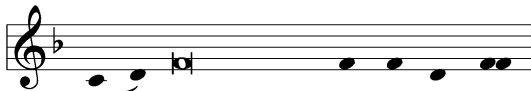
*Psalm 68:1, 4a, c, 11a, 33b, 35a; antiphon: Liturgical Text; Psalm 68:3*



- A** The Spirit of the Lord fills the world. Alle- | luia.\*  
The righteous | shall be glad.  
They shall exult be- | fore God; \*  
they shall be jubilant with joy! Alle- | luia.
- C** **God shall arise, his enemies shall be | scattered;\***  
**and those who hate him shall flee be- | fore him!**  
**Sing to God, sing praises | to his name;\***  
**exult be- | fore him!**  
**The Lord | gives the word;\***  
**behold, he sends out his voice, his | mighty voice.**  
**Awesome is God from his sanctu- | ary;\***  
**the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his | people.**  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**
- A** The Spirit of the Lord fills the world. Alle- | luia.\*  
The righteous | shall be glad.  
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## Kyrie

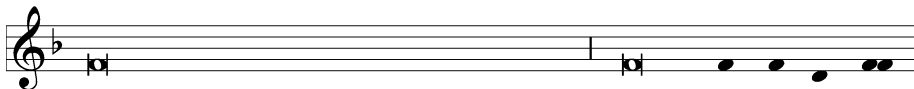
*Mark 10:47*



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



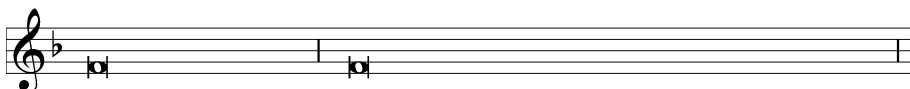
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



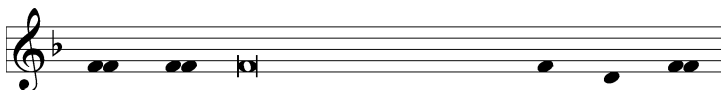
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



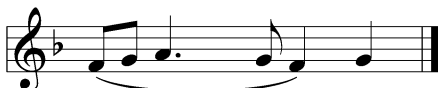
let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.



# This Is the Feast

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9

*Refrain*

☐ 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  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

*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.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 11:1-9*

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.” And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. And the LORD said, “Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading

*Acts 2:1–21*

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

“And in the last days it shall be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams;  
even on my male servants and female servants  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.  
And I will show wonders in the heavens above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;  
the sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.  
And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

Choir: Alleluias

*Psalm 104:30; Liturgical Text*

## Congregation: Alleluias



Choir: When you send forth your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.  
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.

## Congregation: Alleluias

## Holy Gospel

*John 14:23-31*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.



Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father’s who sent me.

“These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I will come to you.’ If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.”

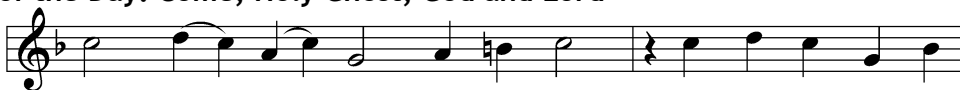
**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



*Sit*

# Hymn of the Day: Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

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1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, God and Lord, With all Your grac - es  
 2 Come, ho - ly Light, guide di - vine, Now cause the Word of  
 3 Come, ho - ly Fire, com - fort true, Grant us the will Your



now out - poured On each be - liev - er's mind and heart;  
 life to shine. Teach us to know our God a - right  
 work to do And in Your ser - vice to a - bide;



Your fer - vent love to them im - part. Lord, by the  
 And call Him Fa - ther with de - light. From ev - 'ry  
 Let tri - als turn us not a - side. Lord, by Your



bright - ness of Your light In ho - ly faith Your Church u - nite;  
 er - ror keep us free; Let none but Christ our mas - ter be  
 pow'r pre - pare each heart, And to our weak - ness strength im - part



From ev - 'ry land and ev - 'ry tongue This to Your  
 That we in liv - ing faith a - bide, In Him, our  
 That brave - ly here we may con - tend, Through life and



praise, O Lord, our God, be sung: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Lord, with all our might con - fide. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 death to You, our Lord, as - cend. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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## Sermon

*Stand*

## Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth  
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried.  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
and ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,  
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
who spoke by the prophets.  
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life  $\text{✝}$  of the world to come. Amen.**

*Sit*

# Confirmation

## Confirmation Address

- P** Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” You have been baptized and catechized in the Christian faith according to our Lord’s bidding. Jesus said, “Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.” Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.

## Profession of Faith

- P** Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?
- R** *Yes, I do.*
- P** Do you renounce the devil?
- R** *Yes, I renounce him.*
- P** Do you renounce all his works?
- R** *Yes, I renounce them.*
- P** Do you renounce all his ways?
- R** *Yes, I renounce them.*
- P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?
- R** *Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.*
- P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?
- R** *Yes, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.*
- P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?
- R** *Yes, 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.*

**P** Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God?

**R** *I do.*

**P** Do you confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from the Scriptures, as you have learned to know it from the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

**R** *I do.*

**P** Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

**R** *I do, by the grace of God.*

**P** Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

**R** *I do, by the grace of God.*

**P** Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?

**R** *I do, by the grace of God.*

**P** We rejoice with thankful hearts that you have been baptized and have received the teaching of the Lord. You have confessed the faith and been absolved of your sins. As you continue to hear the Lord's Word and receive His blessed Sacrament, He who has begun a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

**C** **Amen.**

*The catechumens kneel to receive the confirmation blessing. The pastor places his hands on the head of each catechumen and makes the sign of the cross on the forehead while saying:*

### **Confirmation Blessing**

**P** *[Name]*, the almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life † everlasting.

**R** *Amen.*

*The pastor may read a text of Holy Scripture as a remembrance of confirmation. After all the catechumens have received the blessing, one or both of the following collects are prayed.*

*Stand*



## Collect for confirmation

**P** Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons and daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that, bringing forth the fruits of faith, they may continue steadfast and victorious to the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Collect for confirmation

**P** Almighty and most merciful Father, in the waters of Holy Baptism You have united Your children in the suffering and death of Your Son Jesus Christ, cleansing them by His blood. Renew in them the gift of Your Holy Spirit, that they may live in daily contrition and repentance with a faith that ever clings to their Savior. Deliver them from the power of Satan and preserve them from false and dangerous doctrines, that they may remain faithful in hearing Christ's Word and receiving His body and blood. By the Lord's Supper strengthen them to believe that no one can make satisfaction for sin but Christ alone. Enable them to find joy and comfort only in Him, learning from this Sacrament to love You and their neighbor and to bear the cross with patience and joy until the day of the resurrection of their bodies to life immortal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## The Peace

**P** Peace ✠ be with you.

**C** Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

*Each petition ends with the following:*

**P** Lord, in Your mercy:

**C** hear our prayer.

*Sit*

**Offering & Voluntary**

If Ye Love Me

Thomas Tallis

*Stand*

## Offertory

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19



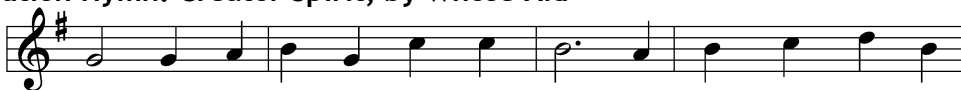
What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

*Following the Offertory, the live stream is paused for the Service of the Sacrament. If you would like to request a pastoral visit to receive the Sacrament, please contact Pastor Schaaf or the church office.*

*The live stream audio will resume with the distribution hymns, and the video will resume after the distribution of the Lord's Supper.*

# Distribution Hymn: Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid

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1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, by whose aid The world's foun - da - tions  
 2 O Source of un - cre - at - ed light, The bear - er of God's  
 3 Giv - er of grace, de - scend from high; Your sev'n - fold gifts to  
 △ 4 Im - mor - tal hon - or, end - less fame At - tend the al - might - y



first were laid, Come, vis - it ev - 'ry hum - ble mind; Come,  
 gra - cious might, Thrice - ho - ly fount, thrice - ho - ly fire, Our  
 us sup - ply; Help us e - ter - nal truths re - ceive And  
 Fa - ther's name; The Sav - ior - Son be glo - ri - fied, Who



pour Your joys on hu - man - kind; From sin and sor - row  
 hearts with heav'n - ly love in - spire; Your sa - cred, heal - ing  
 prac - tice all that we be - lieve; Give us Your - self that  
 for all hu - man - kind has died; To You, O Par - a -

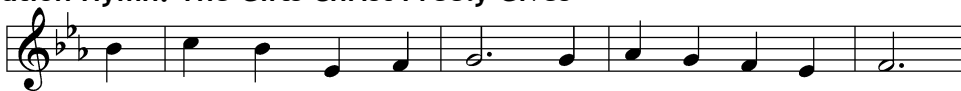


set us free; May we Your liv - ing tem - ples be.  
 mes - sage bring To sanc - ti - fy us as we sing.  
 we may see The glo - ry of the Trin - i - ty.  
 clete, we raise Un - end - ing songs of thanks and praise.

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# Distribution Hymn: The Gifts Christ Freely Gives

LSB 602



1 The gifts Christ free - ly gives He gives to you and me  
 2 The gifts flow from the font Where He calls us His own;  
 3 The gifts of grace and peace From ab - so - lu - tion flow;  
 4 The gifts are there each day The ho - ly Word is read;



To be His Church, His bride, His cho - sen, saved and free!  
 New life He gives that makes Us His and His a - lone.  
 The pas - tor's words are Christ's For us to trust and know.  
 God's chil - dren lis - ten, hear, Re - ceive, and they are fed.



Saints blest with these rich gifts Are chil - dren who pro - claim  
 Here He for - gives our sins With wa - ter and His Word;  
 For - give - ness that we need Is grant - ed to us there;  
 Christ fills them with Him - self, Blest words that give them life,



That they were won by Christ And cling to His strong name.  
 The tri - une God Him - self Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.  
 The Lord of mer - cy sends Us forth in His blest care.  
 Re - stor - ing and re - fresh - ing Them for this world's strife.

5 The gifts are in the feast,  
 Gifts far more than we see;  
 Beneath the bread and wine  
 Is food from Calvary.  
 The body and the blood  
 Remove our ev'ry sin;  
 We leave His presence in  
 His peace, renewed again.

6 All glory to the One  
 Who lavishes such love;  
 The triune God in love  
 Assures our life above.  
 His means of grace for us  
 Are gifts He loves to give;  
 All thanks and praise for His  
 Great love by which we live!

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# Distribution Hymn: Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

LSB 650



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest  
2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's  
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's



realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing  
ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing  
min - is - try; Quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab - solv - ing,



O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,



ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,  
ev - er form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we  
ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -



life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.  
praise with end - less wor - ship For Your gifts and fruits un - priced.  
mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

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*Stand*

## Thank the Lord

[Psalm 105:1-3, 42-43]; [1 Chronicles 16:8-10]



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

**A** Let us pray.

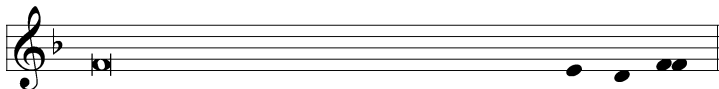
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you  
and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A - men.

## Closing Hymn: O Day Full of Grace

LSB 503

*Stanza 2: Choir*



1 O day full of grace that now we see Ap - pear - ing on  
2 O day full of grace, O bless - ed time, Our Lord on the  
3 For Christ bore our sins, and not His own, When He on the  
4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, His Spir - it new  
5 When we on that fi - nal jour - ney go That Christ is for



earth's ho - ri - zon, Bring light from our God that we may be  
earth ar - riv - ing; Then came to the world that light sub - lime,  
cross was hang - ing; And then He a - rose and moved the stone  
life re - veal - ing, That we might no more from Him be lost,  
us pre - par - ing, We'll gath - er in song, our hearts a - glow,



Re - plete in His joy this sea - son. God, shine for us  
Great joy for us all re - triev - ing; For Je - sus all  
That we, un - to Him be - long - ing, Might join with an -  
All dark - ness for us dis - pel - ling. His flame will the  
All joy of the heav - ens shar - ing, And walk in the



now in this dark place; Your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.  
mor - tals did em - brace, All dark - ness and shame re - mov - ing.  
gel - ic hosts to raise Our voic - es in end - less sing - ing.  
mark of sin ef - face And bring to us all His heal - ing.  
light of God's own place, With an - gels His name a - dor - ing.

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## Postlude

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**Next Sunday: Holy Trinity**

Old Testament: Isaiah 6:1-7

Epistle: Romans 11:33-36

Gospel: John 3:1-17

Hymn of the Day: Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest – LSB 498

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND GOD’S BLESSINGS TO:**

May 19 – Bowman Stein, Sandy Sweeney

May 20 – Sue Hulsey, Conrad Robert Stein

May 22 – David Connor, III

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY AND GOD’S BLESSINGS TO:**

May 20 – Gary & Angie Proud

May 21 – Roy & Karen Bullard, Jarrod & Lindsay Zweifel

May 22 – Craig & Laren Schluterman

May 23 – Aaron & Tammie Leach

**- IN OUR PRAYERS -**

*\*Names of those with health concerns will remain on the prayer list for 2 weeks after a request is made. If you wish to make or renew a prayer request, please call or email Pastor Schaaf or the church office.*

**HEALTH CONCERNS:** Michael Gilbert (Lori Jones), Kathy Curtis (Russlynn Krueger’s sister), Erin Boelkens (Brenda Parscale’s daughter), Lucia Jones, Marti Mang (Pastor Schaaf), Doris Holzhauser, Elsie Westerfield, Shirley Schnackenberg (Brad’s mom)

**HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:** Ralph & Joan Ann Olsen, Nancy Orpin, Myrna Smith, Robert & Jan Grant, Robert & Wilma Richter, Elsie Westerfield, Kay Jenkins, Dorris Deislinger, Joe & Cecillia Gelzine, Mildred Burgess, Emily Esget, Carol Ann Mitchell (Donna Langlais ’friend)

**SEMINARY STUDENT:** John, Jana & Rosie Carpenter

**MEMBERS WE PRAY FOR THIS WEEK:** Jack & Barbara Osborn, Linda Owens, Branda Parscale, Jane & Kristen Parsons, Marion Piazza, Chris & Betty Pils, Gary & Angie Proud, Janet Pulliam, David Raddle, The Ralston Families, Robert Rawlings, The Reeder Family, Deena Reynolds, Robert & Wilma Richter, Sheri Rivers, The Robb Family, The Roberts Family, Ken & Becky Ross, Traci Sanders, The Schaaf Family



**MEMBERS AND FAMILY IN THE MILITARY:** Connor Barnes, Nicholas Wold (Marine Corps) & Ethan Wold (Navy Corpsman)

**- NEWS & NOTES -**

*Please submit announcement requests for News & Notes to the church office by noon on Tuesday.*

**CONFIRMAND RECEPTION & POTLUCK, TODAY, MAY 19th** We are celebrating our eight new confirmands, and all are invited to a reception and potluck in their honor following Divine Worship.

**BOARD OF EVANGELISM** Grace Lutheran Church is hosting our Finding Nemo Fintastic Adventure booth again at the 2024 Disney Extravaganza. This is the largest annual event organized by Project Zero to bring 75% of the kids in Arkansas, who are looking to be adopted, to meet forever families. The event is on **Saturday, June 1<sup>ST</sup>** from 11 a.m. until around 2 p.m. at **The Summit Church** in North Little Rock. The Board of Evangelism needs volunteers to help set up our booth at 9 a.m. and to lead the bean bag toss during the main event. If you cannot participate at the event, please pray for favorable weather and that the kids are united with loving families. Please contact Shaun (501-350-5090) and Justine (501-515-8665) Baker for more information.

**YOUTH FELLOWSHIP UPCOMING EVENTS:** June 1<sup>st</sup>, The Call booth at Disney Extravaganza. Please contact Lauren Schluterman for more information.



**VBS 2024** VBS this year will be *God's Water Works!* Come join us **June 3-6 from 5:30-7:30** each night to see God use a common element to save His people in uncommon ways! To sign up or volunteer, contact Megan Calvillo at [mjcalvillo@gmail.com](mailto:mjcalvillo@gmail.com).

**CAMP TRINITY WANTS YOU** Camp Trinity is seeking summer camp counselors between 18 – 25 years old. If you are looking for a summer job where you can impact others, grow in your faith, and share the good news of Jesus, then we want you! Contact Operations Manager Aaron Davis at [josephaaron1437@gmail.com](mailto:josephaaron1437@gmail.com) or 270-210-3778 for more information.

**Acolyte Schedule**

*The Acolyte(s) light the candles & the Crucifer carries the Crucifix.*

**May 19 - Tyler - Crucifer**

*Velta – Acolyte*

**May 26 - - Crucifer**

*Effie – Acolyte*

## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

### **SUNDAY:**

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
- 10:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion
- 12:00 p.m. Confirmation Reception & Potluck

### **MON. – FRI.:**

- 7:30 a.m. Early Childhood Development Center

### **WEDNESDAY:**

- 10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 12:00 p.m. Midweek Eucharist Service
- 6:00 p.m. Preaching Partners (Parker Hall)

### **THURSDAY:**

- 7:00 p.m. Kantorei Rehearsals (Choir Room & Sanctuary)

### **NEXT SUNDAY:**

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Class
- 10:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion

**If you are in need of pastoral care**, please contact Pastor Schaaf at 501.663.3631 or [kent.schaaf@glclr.org](mailto:kent.schaaf@glclr.org) to make an appointment. If there is a pastoral care emergency, you may call/text his cell **24/7** at 501.703.4474. Please leave a message if he does not answer.