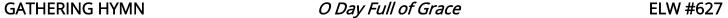
Worship Service May 19, 2024

Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD Pentecost Sunday zionlutheranaberdeen.org

#### **PRELUDE**

# **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**



- O day full of grace that now we see appearing on earth's horizon, bring light from our God that we may be abundant in joy this season.

  God, shine for us now in this dark place; your name on our hearts emblazon.
- O day full of grace, O blessed time, our Lord on the earth arriving; then came to the world that light sublime, great joy for us all retrieving; for Jesus all mortals did embrace, all shame and despair removing.
- For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, when he on the cross was hanging; and then he arose and moved the stone, that we, unto him belonging, might join with angelic hosts to raise our voices in endless singing.
- God came to us then at Pentecost, the Spirit new life revealing, that we might no more in death be lost, its pow'r over us dispelling.

  This flame will the mark of sin efface and bring to us all true healing.
- When we on that final journey go that Christ is for us preparing, we'll gather in song, our hearts aglow, all joy of the heavens sharing, and there we will join God's endless praise, with angels and saints adoring.



#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Bless this place and these people, O God, as we are gathered to hear your word, dwell in your peace, and partake in your life-giving presence.

Make our ears receptive to receive you and our eyes wide to see you at work in our life and the world around us. Make this location a place where your mission is lived, empowering us to cultivate communities of caring and belonging as champions of the gospel. Amen.

Holy Spirit, Lord and Giver of Life:

At the beginning of time you moved over the face of the waters; you breathed into every living being, the breath of life.

Come, Creator Spirit, and renew the whole creation.

Holy Spirit, voice of the prophets:

You enflame men and women with a passion for your truth, and through them call your people to the ways of justice and compassion.

Come, Spirit of Righteousness, and burn in our hearts.

Holy Spirit, Spirit of Jesus:

By your power Jesus came to bring good news to the poor and release to those held captive.

Come, Liberating Spirit, and free us from the powers of sin and death.

Holy Spirit, Advocate, Teacher:

You speak to us of our Lord,

and show us the depth of his love.

Come, Spirit of Truth, abide in us and lead us in the way of Jesus Christ.

Holy Spirit, wind and flame:

You filled disciples with joy and courage,

empowering them to preach your word and to share your good news

Come, Spirit of Power, make us bold witnesses of your redeeming love.

Holy Spirit, Spirit of Peace:

You break down barriers of language, race, and culture, and heal the divisions that separate us.

Come, Reconciling Spirit, and unite us all in the love of Christ.

Holy Spirit, Lord and Giver of Life:

At the close of the age all creation will be renewed to sing your praises.

Come, Creator Spirit, and make us new creations in Jesus Christ.

We confess these truths to you dear Lord, knowing you hear the cries of heart, those places that are too heavy, even for words. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us. Empower us to follow the call of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Amen.

By God's grace, you are saved. In the name of Christ,  $\oplus$  your sins are forgiven. The Spirit is upon you to live with the fruits of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, self-control, faithfulness, and gentleness. **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.** 

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together: Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Help us stand in this Spirit, transforming us by your truth, and giving 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.

KIDS' TIME Pastor Nicole

## FIRST READING Acts 2:1-21

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, they 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 nation 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>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <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, "Men of Judea 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.

## **SECOND READING**

## Romans 8:22-27

<sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and 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. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

<sup>26</sup>Likewise 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. <sup>27</sup>And 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.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

God's Word is Our Great Heritage

ELW #509

God's word is our great heritage and shall be ours forever; to spread its light from age to age shall be our chief endeavor.

Through life it guides our way; in death it is our stay.
Lord, grant while time shall last your church may hold it fast throughout all generations.

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

#### **GOSPEL**

# John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

[Jesus said:] <sup>26</sup>"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. <sup>27</sup>You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

<sup>16:4b</sup>"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless 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. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

<sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When 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. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

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

SERMON Reverend Nicole Martin

HYMN OF THE DAY O Holy Spirit, Enter In ELW #786

- O Holy Spirit, enter in,
  and in our hearts your work begin,
  and make our hearts your dwelling.
  Sun of the soul, O Light divine,
  around and in us brightly shine,
  your strength in us upwelling.
  In your radiance
  life from heaven
  now is given
  overflowing,
  gift of gifts beyond all knowing.
- 2 Left to ourselves, we surely stray; oh, lead us on the narrow way, with wisest counsel guide us; and give us steadfastness, that we may follow you forever free, no matter who derides us. Gently heal those hearts now broken; give some token you are near us, whom we trust to light and cheer us.
- O mighty Rock, O Source of life, let your good Word in doubt and strife be in us strongly burning, that we be faithful unto death and live in love and holy faith, from you true wisdom learning.

  Lord, your mercy on us shower:

by your power Christ confessing, we will cherish all your blessing.

## **NEW MEMBER INSTALLATION**

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

#### **OFFERING**

We glorify God in our giving. Our offering is an act of worship that makes the ministries of this congregation possible. We encourage everyone to give. We encourage you to consider giving a gift online at zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving or by mail as you are able. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online.



OFFERING HYMN Create in Me a Clean Heart ELW #188

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

#### OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together: 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.

#### **LITANY**

We come to the table of the Lord called by the Holy Spirit.

We come to the table honest about who we are.

We come to the table as a community, one body with many members.

We come to the table with our neighbors, both known and unknown.

We come to the table hungry for the bread of Life.

We come to the table receiving forgiveness through Christ.

We come to the table for healing.

We come to the table knowing we will find reconcilliation through the gift of Christ for us.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray in confidence the words our Savior gave us:

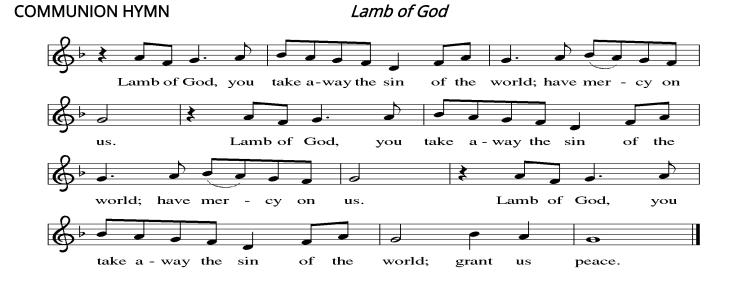
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the 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.

#### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

All who believe that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of The Lord's Supper bringing to us the gift of forgiveness and the promise of eternal life, are welcome to gather at the Lord's Table.



COMMUNION HYMN Spirit of Gentleness ELW #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*
- 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*
- 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*
- 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*

#### **BLESSING**

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

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together: Shepherding God, your spirit guided us to this table where we have feasted as one community in Christ. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

#### **BLESSING**

As the Spirit weaved through creation bringing forward life and delight, may you too know the spirits presence gathering you, calling you, and enlightening you to God's grace and love. **Amen.** 

## **SENDING HYMN**

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

ELW #400

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!

- 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!
- 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!

#### **SENDING WORDS**

Go into the world as champions of gospel living. Thanks be to God, and we will.

#### **POSTLUDE**

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