Worship Service June 8, 2025

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG

Let the River Flow

Let the poor man say I am rich in Him, let the lost man say I am found in Him, Oh, let the river flow.

Let the blind man say I can see again. Let the dead man say I am born again. Oh, let the river flow. Let the river flow.

Let the river flow, let the river flow. Holy Spirit come, move in power. Let the river flow.

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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 the 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 power 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.

A moment of silence.

We confess these truths to you, dear Lord, knowing you are with us: One God, Creator, Savior, and Advocate. Hear the cries of our hearts as we step boldly forward in faith, both as individuals and as a community—forgiving us when we stray, discipling us with your teaching, and empowering us to be witness to you. Amen.

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

SONG OF PRAISE

Spirit Song

Oh, let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love, Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. Oh, let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

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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: Abba, Father, you have adopted us as heirs of your kingdom, and we have inherited the gift and presence of the Holy Spirit. Through the fire of the Spirit, make us generous givers of all that you have bestowed upon us, for the sake of the one whose fire brings light and life to all the world, Jesus Christ. Amen.

KIDS' TIME

SONG OF PREPARATION

Hear Our Praises

From the mountains to the valley Hear our praises rise to You. From the heavens to the nations, Hear the singing fill the air.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

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FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-4

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

FOCUS TEXT

Galatians 4:1-7, 5:16-26

¹My point is this: heirs, as long as they are minors, are no better than slaves, though they are the owners of all the property; ²but they remain under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. ³So with us; while we were minors, we were enslaved to the elemental spirits of the world. ⁴But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

¹⁶Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ²⁰idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²²By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. ²⁶Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

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SERMON Pastor Nicole Martin

SONG OF THE DAY

Consuming Fire

There must be more than this; O breath of God come breathe within. There must be more than this; Spirit of God we wait for You. Fill us anew, we pray; fill us anew, we pray, Consuming Fire, fan into flame a passion for Your name. Spirit of God, fall in this place. Lord, have Your way, Lord have Your way with us.

Come like a rushing wind, clothe us in power from on high.

Now set the captives free; leave us abandoned to Your praise.

Lord, let Your glory fall. Lord, let Your glory fall.

Consuming Fire, fan into flame a passion for Your name.

Spirit of God, fall in this place. Lord, have Your way,

Lord have Your way with us.

Consuming Fire, fan into flame a passion for Your name.

Spirit of God, fall in this place. Lord, have Your way,

Lord have Your way with us.

APOSTLES' CREED

God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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 THE PEOPLE

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Prayer response: Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

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 SONG

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Melt me. Mold me. Fill me. Use me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me. Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me. Cleanse me, teach me, hold me, reach me. Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.

Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear. Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear. Shield me, free me, call me, lead me. Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together: Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again. Breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. 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 with our neighbors, both known and unknown.

We come to the table 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 reconciliation 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 SONG

Take My Life

Take my life and let it be
Consecrated Lord to Thee.
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands and let them move,
At the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice and let me sing,
Always only for my King.
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.
Take my silver and my gold.
Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use
Every power as You choose.

Here am I, all of me. Take my life, it's all for Thee

Take my will and make it Thine It shall be no longer mine. Take my heart it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour At your feet its treasure store. Take myself and I will be Ever only all for thee.

Take myself and I will be Ever only all for Thee. Take myself and I will be Ever only all for Thee.

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together: Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world, living as children of God. Amen.

MINISTRY MOMENT

BENEDICTION

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

SENDING SONG

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; Blaze, spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light. Lord, I come to your awesome presence, From the shadows into Your radiance. By the blood I may enter your brightness. Search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; Blaze, spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness, Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me.
Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
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SENDING WORDS

Go into the world, with the Spirit as your guide, as champions of gospel living. **Thanks be to God, and we will.**

POSTLUDE

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