

Zion Lutheran Church, 15 S. 4th Street, Harrisburg, PA / www.zionharrisburg.org

May 28, 2023, Festival of Pentecost

10:15am Service of Word and Sacrament and Healing Prayer

Prelude "Come Down, O Love Divine" - Ralph Vaughan Williams, arr. Anna Laura Page

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

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

C Amen.

Confession and Forgiveness

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

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

Silence is kept for personal confession.

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. 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.

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

God of grace and God of glory, On your people pour your pow'r;
Crown your ancient Church's story; Bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour, For the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil round us Scorn the Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us Free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the living of these days, For the living of these days.

Cure your children's warring madness; Bend our pride to your control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Lest we miss your kingdom's goal, Lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

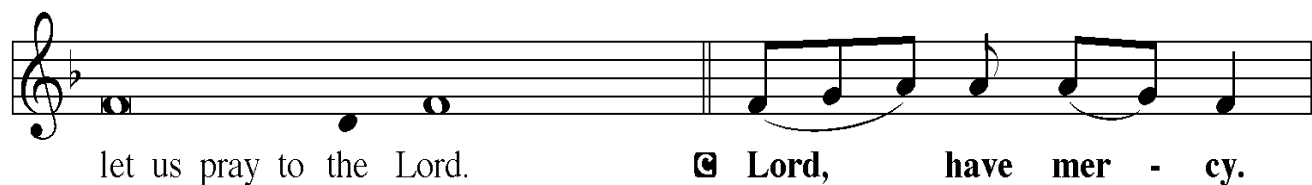
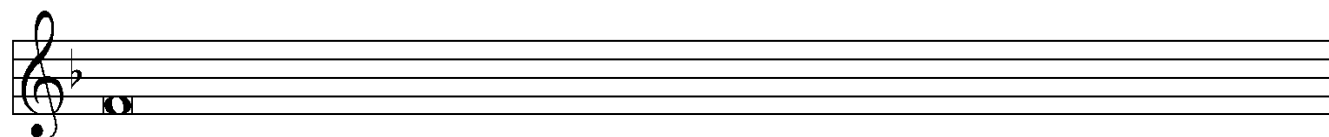
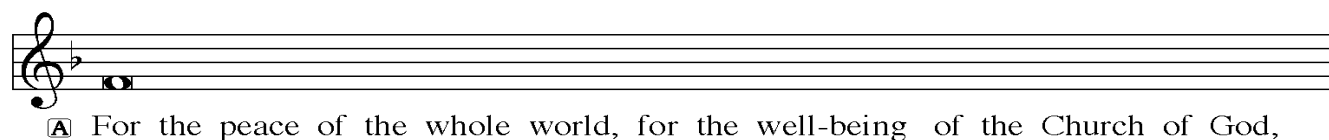
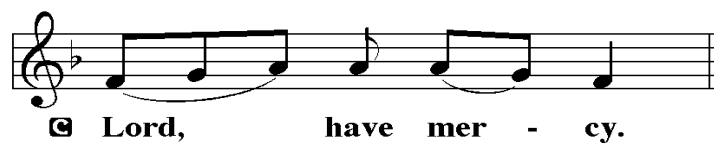
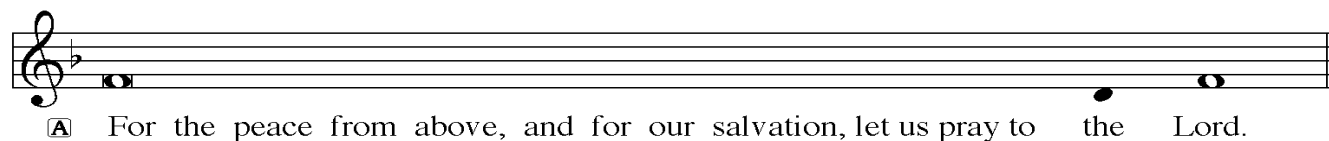
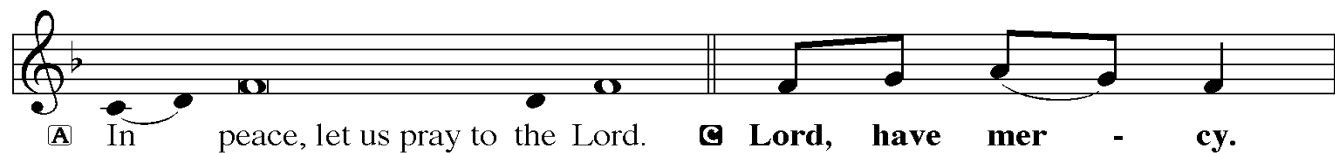
Save us from weak resignation To the evils we deplore;
Let the gift of your salvation Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Serving you whom we adore, Serving you whom we adore.

Greeting

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

Kyrie



Hymn of Praise



C This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. **I** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was
slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



C This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. **II** Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



C This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. **I** Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray: God of life, on this day you poured forth upon your Church your Spirit through whom we are one body, the body of Christ. Unite us at your table that we may be poured forth into the world, bearing witness to your grace and mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

First Reading: Numbers 11:24-30

²⁴Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it. ²⁶Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My lord Moses, stop them." ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!" ³⁰And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Psalms 25:1-15

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

²**O my God, in you I trust;**

**let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies exult over me.**

³ Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

⁴ **Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.**

⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.

⁶ **Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.**

⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

⁸ **Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**

⁹ He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.

¹⁰ **All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

¹¹ For your name's sake, O LORD,
pardon my guilt, for it is great.

¹² **Who is the man who fears the LORD?
Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose.**

¹³ His soul shall abide in well-being,
and his offspring shall inherit the land.

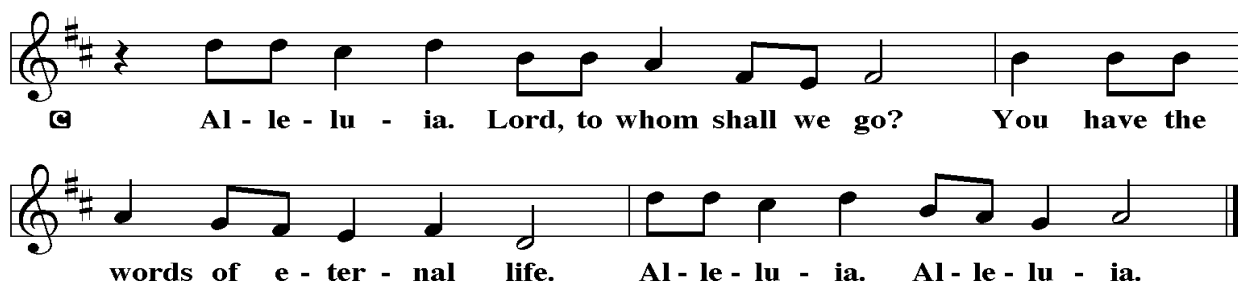
¹⁴ **The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him,
and he makes known to them his covenant.**

¹⁵ My eyes are ever toward the LORD,
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

Second Reading: Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, {the disciples} were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. ⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and

residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians — we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.” ¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷‘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; ¹⁸even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; ²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. ²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”



Gospel: John 7:37-39

³⁷On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. ³⁸Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” ³⁹Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him, above ye heav’n-ly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Children’s Sermon

Sermon

Hymn of the Day Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart Red 129

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
And make me love thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
No sudden rending of the veil of clay,
No angel visitant, no opening skies;
But take the dimness of my soul away.

Hast thou not bid me love thee, God and King;
All, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind?
I see thy Cross; there teach my heart to cling;
O let me seek thee, and O let me find!

Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,
One holy passion filling all my frame:
The baptism of the heaven descended Dove,
My heart an altar, and thy love the flame. Amen.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Prayers

P Let us pray for the Church, the world, and all people according to their needs.

A brief silence for prayer

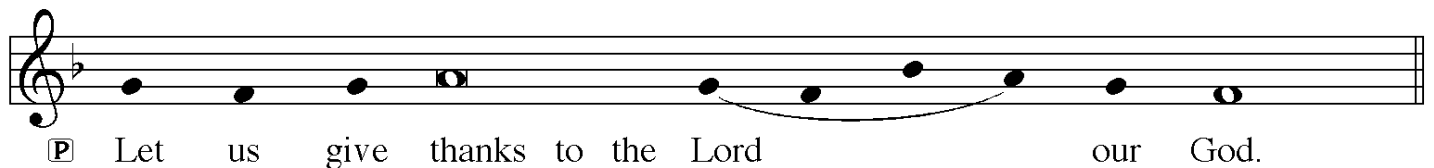
After each portion of the prayers:

P Lord in your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P Into your hands, merciful Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; for the sake of your son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving



P It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



The Eucharistic Prayer

P Blessed are you,
Lord of Heaven and earth.
In your mercy for our fallen world
you gave your only Son,
that all those who believe in him
should not perish,
but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you
for the salvation
you have prepared
for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit
into our hearts,
that we may receive our Lord
with a living faith
as he comes to us
in his holy supper.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus

P In the night
in which he was betrayed
our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks to it; broke it,
and gave it to his disciples,
saying: Take and eat;
this is my body, given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.

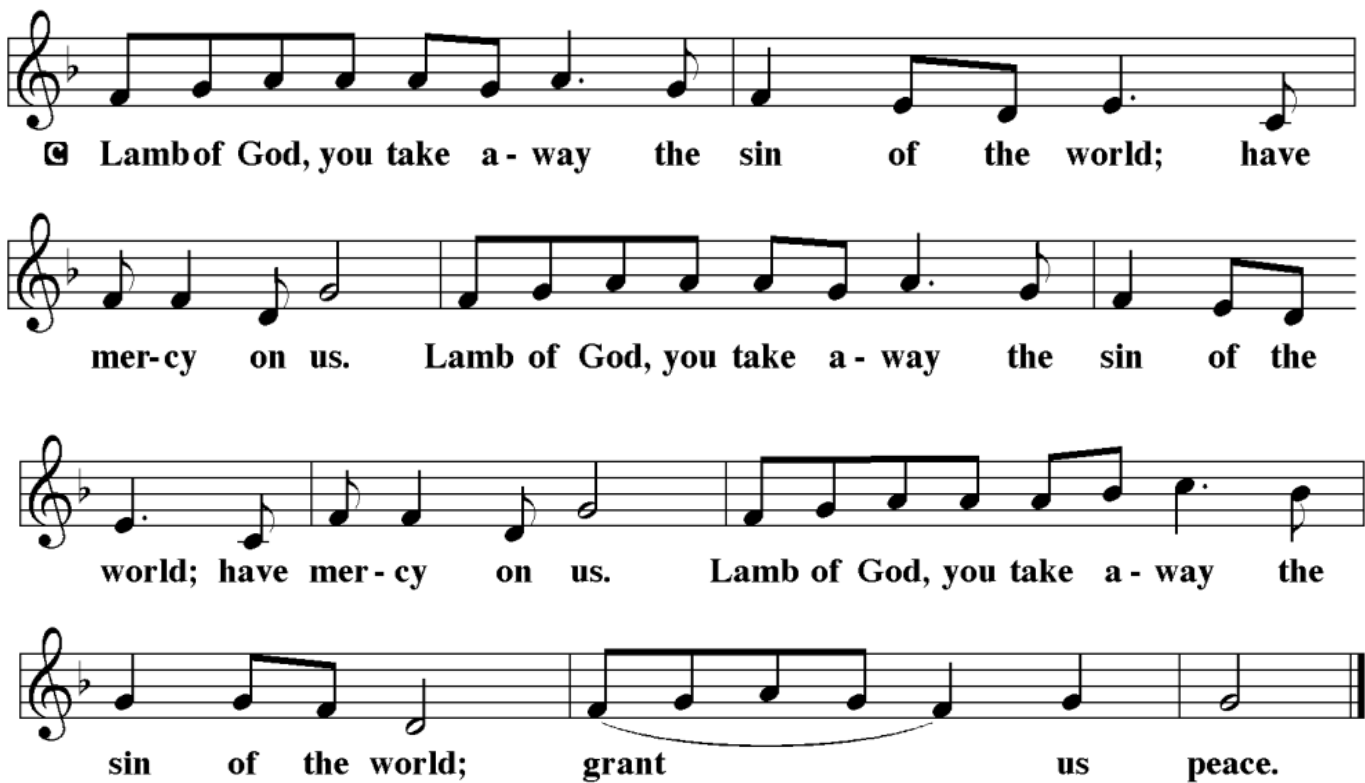
Again, after supper,
he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink,
saying: This cup is
the new covenant in my blood which is shed for you
for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this in remembrance of me.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

P This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are they who are called to his supper.



The Communion

All baptized persons who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine are welcome to the Table of the Lord. All who would desire healing prayer are welcome to receive it.

For those communing in-person, take a clear communion cup to receive wine from the assisting minister or a purple communion cup to receive grape juice.

Communion is offered at the altar rail on the pulpit side. Healing prayer with anointing is offered at the altar rail on the lectern side.

For those continuing to fast from the sacrament, you are invited to pray the following prayer, The Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.
 I love You above all things,
 and I desire to receive You in my soul.
 Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
 come at least spiritually in my heart.
 I embrace You as if you were already there,
 and I unite myself wholly to You.
 Never permit me to be separated from You.
 (Saint Alphonsus Liguori)

Post Communion Blessing

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

Post Communion Sung Response:

“Oh for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” Red 428, TUNE 2, vv 1 & 4

O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer’s praise,
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace!

He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free;
His Blood can make the foulest clean, His Blood availed for me.

Post Communion Prayer

P Let us pray: Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
C Amen.

Benediction

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.
In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

Sending Hymn

Open My Eyes, That I May See

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Open my eyes, that I may see
Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
That shall unclasp and set me free.

Refrain: Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready my God, Thy will to see,
Open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear
Voices of truth Thou sendest clear;
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
Everything false will disappear. *Refrain*

Open my mouth, and let me bear,
Gladly the warm truth everywhere;
Open my heart and let me prepare
Love with Thy children thus to share. *Refrain*

Dismissal

P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

A time of fellowship with those attending online directly follows the worship service.

Sharing the Peace of Christ with one another following worship is encouraged.

Offerings may be placed in the designated boxes at the bottom of each staircase in the main entry way.

Serving in Worship Today:

Presiding Worship Leader & Lector:

Pastor Karin Pejack

Minister of Technology:

Catherine Germann

AV on Site:

Jeff Springer, Bob Haas, John Cooper

Minister of Music & Organist:

Norma Swain

Lector:

Pastor Keith Eslinger

Responsive Reader:

Ricky Perrine

Assisting Ministers:

Mike & Judy Reynolds, Judy Atticks

Next Week's Readings:

Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 8; Acts 2:14a, 22-36; Matthew 28:16-20