

DAY OF PENTECOST
May 28, 2023



Pastor Sonja Gerstenberger



St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

We Live in and Share God's Love with All

Unconditional Love ~ Radical Hospitality ~ Selfless Generosity
Faithful Service ~ Compassionate Care ~ Meaningful Worship

No Matter Where You Are on Life's Journey, There Is a Place for You Here!

We are a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. In keeping with the life and teaching of Jesus Christ, we joyfully and unconditionally welcome all people of any age, gender identity, race, culture, ability, or sexual orientation into our community of faith and affirm the worth of all people as unique individuals made in God's image. We are open to the special gifts that each person brings and invite each to participate in the life of our church.

- ❖ **Welcome to worship. We are SO glad you are here.** If this is your first time worshipping with us, please reach out and let us know, either introduce yourself in the YouTube Livestream, to an usher, to Pastor Sonja or by contacting the church office so we can answer any questions and connect with you. There is a place for you here.
- ❖ **Pass the Welcome Folder.** Please take the folder on the end of our pew, fill out your information and pass the folder back down the pew.
- ❖ **Offering.** Offerings may be placed in the offering plate located on the table in the middle of the aisle before or at any time during the worship service.
- ❖ **Prayer Requests.** Prayer slips are in the back of the Welcome Folder to fill out and drop in the basket on the table by the offering plate. *Prayer requests will be included during the intercessory prayers.*
- ❖ **Hearing Assisting Devices Available.** Visit the Sound Booth before worship and request a device.
- ❖ **Bathrooms.** Down the hall, turn left toward the offices, and then take your first right. An all-gender/family bathroom is available on the east side of Fellowship Hall (to the right as you enter from the main door). A changing table is available in the all-gender/family bathroom and also in the nursery.
- ❖ **We LOVE kids in worship!** Should you need to step away, there is a nursery down the hall from the restrooms with a changing table, toys, and comfy seating for parents.
- ❖ **Bulletins can be recycled** in the bins in the narthex with the Green Recycle Labels.
- ❖ **Hymns with harmony lines are available in our hymnal** (the red books on each pew shelf). You are welcome and encouraged to use the hymnals!
- ❖ **Want weekly updates about events at St. Andrews?** Email office@standrewames.org and indicate you would like to receive the Friday Flash or scan this QR code to sign up! The Friday Flash includes a weekly message from Pastor Sonja, events coming up in the following week, and opportunities to participate in service and outreach through St. Andrew's and our partners.



Helpful Hints for worship today:

- ❖ *The instructions to sit or stand are invitations to do so as you are physically able.*
- ❖ *In the worship liturgy P = Presider, A = Assisting Minister, R = Reader, and C = Congregation. The congregation responds/sings any time words are in **bold print**. The congregation is invited to sing all Hymns.*

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME

Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

C: **Amen.**

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.
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 by 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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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**



1 Re - mem - ber and re - joi - ce, re - newed by floods of grace.
 2 In life, in death, we trust in God's most ho - ly name,
 3 We pledge our - selves a - new to flee the lures of hell,
 4 God, bless us by your grace; re - mind us of your care.
 5 Re - mem - ber and re - joi - ce, re - newed by floods of grace.



We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - rase.
 for - ev - er traced by wa - ter sign, and sealed by Spir - it flame.
 to cling to Christ's com - mu - ni - ty, in jus - tice, peace to dwell.
 Re - new - ing Spir - it, fill us now, in - spire our work, our prayer.
 We bear the sign of Je - sus Christ, that time can - not e - rase.

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

Assisting Minister (congregation sings the lines in bold):



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ Lord God, heav-en - ly king, al-might- y God and Fa- ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



☐ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;



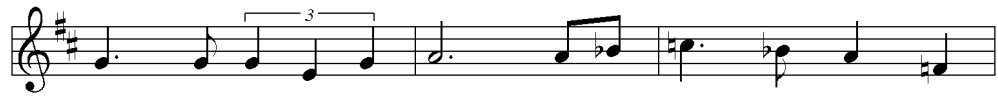
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



☐ Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,



Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the



right hand of the Fa - ther: re- ceive our prayer.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE PART 2

☩ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.
I For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
II you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther, A - men.
☩ Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God in the high - est;
glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth,
and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.
Sit

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Acts 2: 1-21

R: 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. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of

each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, 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, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷‘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. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b

*(Read responsively, the congregation will read the **bold** verses.)*

A: ²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

C: ²⁵**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number,
living things both small and great.**

A: ²⁶There go the ships to and fro,
and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

C: ²⁷**All of them look to you
to give them their food in due season.**

A: ²⁸You give it to them; they gather it;
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

C: ²⁹**When you hide your face, they are terrified;
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

A: ³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.

C: ³¹**May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**

A: ³²You look at the earth and it trembles;
you touch the mountains and they smoke.

C: ³³**I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.**

A: ³⁴May these words of mine please God.
I will rejoice in the LORD.

C: ^{35b}**Bless the LORD, O my soul.**
Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13

R: ^{3b}No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

R: The word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Pastor Sonja Gerstenberger

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 20: 19-23

P: The Gospel according to the 20th Chapter of John:

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: ¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**


Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY


Spirit of Gentleness

ELW 396


Refrain



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness




call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,




stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.


1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
 and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
 then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
 From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing;
 and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
 and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
 our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



Refrain

“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
 then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
 when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
 With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

APOSTLE’S CREED

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C: **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 INTERCESSION

A: Hear us, O God.

C: **Your mercy is great.**

WE SHARE GOD'S PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

Sit

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

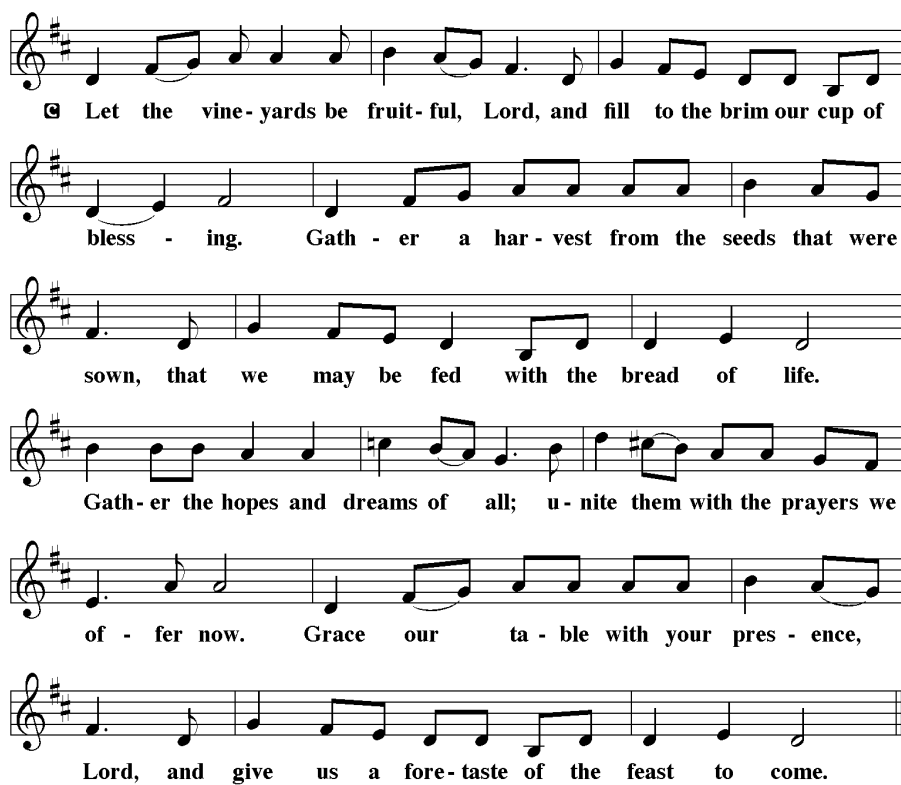
OFFERING

At this time, we also offer a portion of what God has first given us for God's work in the world through the ministries of St. Andrew's and its national and global partners. You may place offerings in the offering plate located on the table in the aisle. You can also give online at www.standrewsames.org by selecting Give Online (or use this QR code). Thank you for your continued generous support of the ministries in and through St. Andrew's Lutheran Church.



Scan to Give

OFFERING SONG



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
Lord, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.

In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

Stand

GREAT THANKSGIVING /DIALOGUE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

- P: Lift up your hearts.
 C: **We lift them to the Lord.**
 P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
 C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

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

C:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
 might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, ...
 ... all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever
 C: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

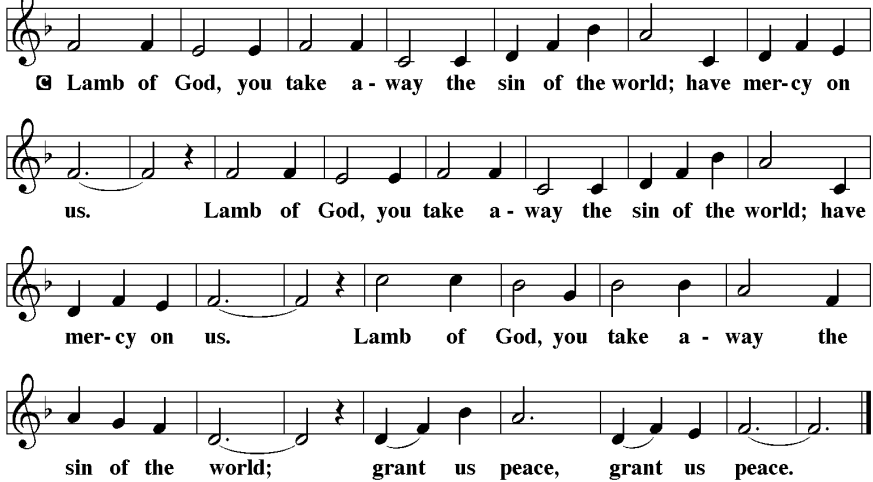
- P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
 C: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

All are welcome at God's table. Those worshipping in person are invited to come down the center aisle, to the front, receive the bread, and step to the side to receive red wine or white grape juice from the assistants. Gluten-free wafers are available in the glass bowl on the table in the front. Please take one and bring it with you. If you prefer not to come forward, prepackaged communion elements are available from the ushers.

P: Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

C:



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

TABLE BLESSING

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

C: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



☞ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -
one what God has done. Let all who seek the
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and
lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A: Let us pray,
Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.
- C: **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand

BLESSING

- P: The God of all, who raised † Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.
- C: **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

ELW 400



1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl - wind, as on Pen - te -
2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

DISMISSAL

- P: Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.
- C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Come, Thou Almighty King

arr. Cindy Berry



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