

St. Luke Lutheran Church in Schaefferstown

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Day of Pentecost – June 5, 2022 Service of Holy Communion

Our Guiding Story and Mission: The Road to Emmaus: Luke 24:13-35

As the Body of Christ, we proclaim the Gospel by serving and doing God's will in a manner that meets the needs of our changing world.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

"Lamb of God" - T. Paris

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Holy Trinity, One God: our creator and liberator, our living water and bread of life, our comforter and teacher.

C: Amen.

Let us pause for self-examination and come into the revealing yet healing light of God. God of grace and glory, you have brought us through the night of sin and into the light of Jesus' resurrection.

C: yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God. Make us alive in Christ. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin. Pour over us your refreshing love and restore us to servant living, through Jesus Christ, our risen, living Lord. Amen.

Rejoice with all creation around God's throne. The sacrificial, unmerited love of the risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin, restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, brings peace, and humbles earthly pride. We have forgiveness and freedom from sin in his righteousness. He graces us with eternal life for servant living. To him be glory and dominion forever and ever. **C:** Amen! Thanks be to Jesus.

Opening Hymn: ELW 400 God of tempest, God of whirlwind

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- 1 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!
- 3 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!

- 2 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!
- 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!

Prayer of the Day

God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, amid signs of fire, wind, and a variety of languages, the people were amazed and astonished at Jesus' promise coming true.

When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, 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 Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

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

'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.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

Ministry in Music: "Sweet Spirit of God" Senior Choir



Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17

Here Paul speaks about the mystery of baptism: through the Holy Spirit we are claimed, gathered, and welcomed into Christ's body, the church. And we receive a new name in our adoption: child of God.

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

Though the disciples struggle with Jesus' nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God's mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promises the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.

Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ["I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

The Gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Message

Hymn of the Day: WOV #684 Spirit, Spirit of gentleness
Text: James K. Manley, b. 1940 Text © 1978 James K. Manley, admin. Augsburg Fortress.

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

- 2 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*
- 3 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*
- 4 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*

Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Let us share his peace with one another.

(Share the peace with a gesture)

Offering: Thank you for faithfully mailing your offering envelope or placing it in the container.

Offering Prayer:

Living God, you gather the wolf and the lamb to feed together in your peaceable reign, and you welcome us all at your table. Reach out to us through this meal, and show us your wounded and risen body, that we may be nourished and believe in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer:

You are indeed holy, almighty, and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the 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, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with all your saints.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.

C: Amen.

C: 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

Lamb of God:

C: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world grant us peace, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion:

The risen Christ dwells with us here. All who are hungry, all who are thirsty, come.

Distribution of Communion

All are welcome and encouraged to receive the forgiveness and community that are given in the bread and wine. Come forward as directed.

Communion Blessing:

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

Prayer after Communion:

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. C: Amen.

Blessing:

Closing Hymn: LBW #523 Holy Spirit ever dwelling

Text: Timothy Rees, 1874-1939, alt.

- 1 Holy Spirit, ever dwelling in the holiest realms of light; Holy Spirit, ever brooding o'er a world of gloom and night; Holy Spirit, ever raising those of earth to thrones on high; living, life-imparting Spirit, you we praise and magnify.
- 3 Holy Spirit, ever working through the church's ministry; quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving, setting captive sinners free; Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age and soul to soul in communion never ending, you we worship and extol.

Holy Spirit, ever living
as the church's very life;
Holy Spirit, ever striving
through us in a ceaseless strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming
in the church the mind of Christ:
you we praise with endless worship
for your gifts and fruits unpriced.

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Sending

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude More holiness give me – R.C. Wilson

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Thank you for joining us!

We wish to extend a warm welcome to our Supply Pastor Rev. Kristal Smith and to all our visitors who have joined us in worship today. We hope you will join us again!

Our worshiping community today:

Supply Pastor: Rev. Kristal Smith Worship Assistant: Donna Rhoades

Minister of Music: Linda Holt Lay Reader: Faith Thunberg

Next week (June 12) in our worshiping community:

Lay Reader: Richelle Deysher Worship Assistant: Sue DeLong

This week at St. Luke

<u>Sunday, June 5</u> 8:30 AM Day of Pentecost - Holy Communion

9:30 AM Coffee Hour

5:30 PM-7:00 PM Community Free Meal

7:00 PM Taizé Service

<u>Tuesday, June 7</u> 10:00 AM Band Together (Chapel)

Thursday, June 9 10:00 AM Band Together (Chapel)

11:30 AM-1:00 PM Community Free Meal

Next Sunday, June 12 8:30AM Holy Trinity – Service of the Word

9:30 AM Coffee hour

5:30 PM-7:00 PM Community Free Meal

May 29, 2022

Worship Attendance:32Offering:\$2,385Sunday School Attendance:7Offering:\$15.00

Thank you to all who purchased Geraniums for our service today:

In memory of Ken Krall given by Ken Krall Family

To the glory of God given by Bill and Bev Hoffman

In honor of grand and great grand children given by Diane Kurtz

To the glory of God given by Paula Benson

In memory of Horace & Esther Behney, Frank & Elizabeth Moyer and Scott Moyer given by Donna Moyer

In memory of Hammer Family given by Barb Hammer

<u>COVID GUIDELINES ARE STILL BEING FOLLOWED</u> - Please use common sense when you are not feeling well.

Be mindful of others so that we may continue to safely worship together. Masks are recommended for those who are unvaccinated & optional if you are vaccinated. Thank you for caring for your church family.

It is easy to stay connected to all things happening at St. Luke! Check out our website at https://www.stlukelutheran.org. In addition to updates on current events, you will find links on the website to access our online worship services via Facebook or YouTube.

Or, if you prefer, you can access online services directly via Facebook at Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.www.facebook.com/StLukeEvangelicalLutheran, or on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWKROL7HVJEgtCMksioZwoA.

The bulletin will continue to be emailed out weekly with printed copies available at Sunday worship. So, whether you attend in person or tune in online, it is easy to stay connected!

We welcome your feedback-recommendations, suggestions, or improvements regarding the current online transmissions. We also need volunteers to assist with the technical aspects of livestreaming and all the legwork and support this requires. Please send your feedback or volunteer availability to the Church Office.

Our condolences & sympathies are extended to the family & friends of June Kohr. June, a member of our congregation, passed away on May 26th. Funeral arrangements are being handled by Rolands Funeral Home in Lebanon.

Please keep in your prayers those who are ill, recovering, or shut-in, especially:

John Adams, Claudia Addison, Brenda Boyer, Leon Boyer, Amanda Cupernall, Alexandria (Lexxi) Ditzler, Cathy Dunkelberger, Henry Fasnacht, Deb Glassmoyer, Peg Griffe, Bill Gundrum, Kim Lenhart Hale, John Hassinger, Dean Hettinger, Lilly Higgins & Family, Richard and Nancy Hollen, Christopher Johnson (D Hettinger), Landon Kreider, Betty Leedy, Delores Lesher, Richard Lesher, Ken Light, Donald and Sue McClure, Steven McCracken, Casey McGarvey, Dana McKinney, Maureen Marinkov, Harold (Spike) Moore, Brian Navarre, Barry and Tom Nolt, Kathy O'Roark, Gerald and Ruth Parson, George Pastore, Ronald Ream, Lance Rhodes, Al Shade, Barry Shriver, Linda Simmers, Lloyd Smith, Richard Strohl, Caitlyn, Gretta and Mike Stuber, Robert Todisco, Landis Wenger, Josephine Wenrich, Janet Wharton, Josie Williams, Eddie Wolfe, Marian Yoder, Maggie Zartman, and Ashton Zohn.

Pray for those who are serving in the military, especially:

Timothy Beamesderfer, David Deysher, Tyler Fleagle, Shane Gettler, Steven Ginder, George Lesher, Jr., Matthew Plummer, Greg Rocker, and Matthew Sanders.

Pray for congregations and ministries with whom we share mutual ministry:

The congregations and pastors of the Heidelberg Ministerium and Lebanon Conference, Agape House, Lebanon Co. Christian Ministries, Lebanon Taizé Violence Intervention Women's Shelter, Lancaster/Lebanon Habitat for Humanity, Lebanon Rescue Mission, Support Connections of Lebanon County, Our Synod Bishop James S. Dunlop and his staff, and our ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton and staff.

Please be in Prayer for and with St. Luke Vision to Mission Team - Kit Ahnert, Richelle Deysher, Elaine Matternas, Judy Plummer, Scott Rights, and Todd Snyder.

If you need Pastoral care, please leave a message on the office phone or contact one of the Council Members.

Coffee Hour – Volunteers are needed for coffee hour starting June 12, please see the signup sheet in the narthex.

Band Together - Correction from the June newsletter: Bands exercise classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday from 10 AM-11 AM in the chapel, not outside. Social distancing is the norm, and masking is optional.

Help Needed: Calling both Kids and Adults for June 22 at 7:00pm. Our church will be providing an art project for approximately 20 residences at Spang Crest. They will be painting rocks for their garden and possibly the walkway. Maybe we can also provide each of them with goodie bags. All art supplies will be provided. Please contact Machelle Bucher at 717-644-5960.

St. Luke History Books are available for \$20.00. Call Anna Mae Grubb 717-273-7035 or email at mrgrubby@comcast.net.

June - Monthly Ministry Emphasis: Spang Crest - Thank you again for your continued support.

Community Free Meals: Served: Thursday: 11:30 am to 1:00 pm and Sunday: 5:30 to 7:00 pm Partners with St. Luke in the Thursday meals are members of the Heidelberg Community Church group - Zion Methodist, St. Paul's UCC, Trinity Methodist-Kleinfeltersville, Krall's Mennonite, and Heidelberg Church of the Brethren. And we are welcoming volunteers from Friedens Lutheran Church in Myerstown to our Sunday meal teams. Further details will follow.

Congratulations and best wishes to Jonah Davis! Jonah received a call to become a pastor at Union in York. Jonah's ordination is today at 5:00 pm at St. Peter's, 121 North Spring Street, Middletown, PA 17057. Everyone from St. Luke is invited and requested to wear rainbow and/or blue/pink/white. A reception will follow the ordination service.

Leadership Training Camp 2022 - Youth in grades 9-12, who exhibit gifts for leadership, are eligible for our annual Leadership Training Camp (LT Camp) at Camp Nawakwa, July 10-15, 2022. Young leaders must be recommended by a pastor, youth leader, or congregational leader. All first-year LT's attend at NO cost to the family or to the congregation, thanks to generous grants by the Lamb's, Grant's, William's and other camp alumnus. Designed to help young people recognize their gifts, and grow in discipleship, participants are challenged to utilize their gifts for Christian leadership in home, school, and congregational settings. Participants are surrounded by other young leaders and have opportunity to grow in Christian community, while putting their leadership and faith into practice with their peers. This year's camp is the launch of our Leadership Academy, that affords LT Alumni a chance to gather year-round with their peers and adult mentors from across our synod for continuing education and real world leadership practice. To learn more, or to download the recommendation form to nominate a young person from your church, visit: https://www.lss-elca.org/faith-formation/leadership-training-camp/. Registration closes on June 27.



Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. (Ps. 104:30)