Service of Holy Communion Day of Pentecost June 5, 2022 10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Come, O Come, Thou Quickening Spirit" "O Strength of Wisdom" "Come, Holy Spirit, God and Lord" - Guenter Raphael

- Hildegard von Bingen
- Alec Wyton

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's forgiveness, let us confess our failings and acknowledge our part in the pain of the world.

The congregation may kneel or sit.

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

"O Holy Spirit, Root of Life"

Red Book #399

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.**

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. 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. **Amen.**

The congregation may be seated.

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING Genesis 11:1-9

The builders of the tower of Babel try to make a name for themselves by building their tower to the heavens. God scatters them, confusing their language so that they cannot understand one another. The miracle at Pentecost is a reversal of sorts, drawing many people with many languages together into the new people of God.

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b read responsively

²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD!

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

²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number,

living things both small and great.

²⁶There go the ships to and fro,

and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

²⁷All of them look to you

to give them their food in due season.

²⁸You give it to them; they gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

²⁹When you hide your face, they are terrified;

when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;

and so you renew the face of the earth.

³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever;

O LORD, rejoice in all your works.

³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke. ³³I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.
³⁴May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.
^{35b}Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND 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.

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:

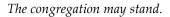
¹⁷ In the last days it will be, God declares,

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.' "

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL John 14:8-17

The holy gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, the fourteenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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.

⁸Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus 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'? ¹⁰Do 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. ¹¹Believe 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. ¹²Very 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. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This 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.

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

The congregation may be seated.

SERMON

The congregation may stand.

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O Spirit All-Embracing



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NICENE CREED 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. was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Holy One, your Spirit once gave the disciples the language to tell of your deeds of power. Give us also such love for others that we learn new ways of telling your story. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Send your Spirit to places where language is a barrier to justice and mercy for those who seek it. Bless the work of translators, interpreters, and teachers. Promote understanding for the sake of those longing for true freedom and peace. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

Comfort all who live in fear, especially the people of Ukraine and all war-torn lands. Heal those who suffer, especially those who are sick, hungry, or out of hope. Remind them that your Spirit has made them your children and that they are never far from your glory. God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Guide all bishops, pastors, missionaries, and other ministers of the gospel. We pray for Kurt and Elizabeth, our bishops. Give wisdom to our wider church in uncertain times.. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, you bless your servants with many achievements. We give thanks especially today for the milestones that Kyle and others graduating from Butler Area High School have attained. As they begin new phases of their lives, fill their next steps with your love and their choices with the blessing of your insight. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gather your people across regions, nations, and lands. Root our common life in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, and by your Spirit bind us together with all the saints who have gone before us. God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

THE MEAL

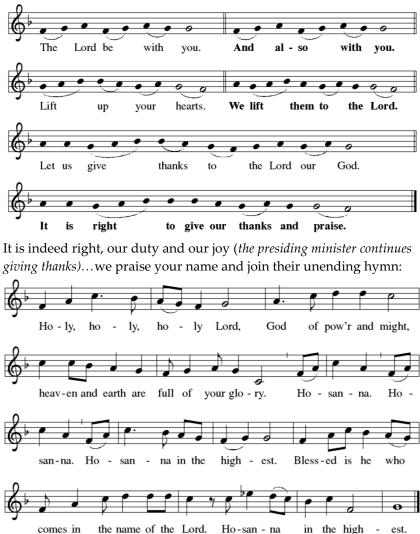
PEACE The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Praise the Spirit in Creation" - David Hurd (b. 1950) Jim Cunningham, *trumpeter* Signe Mitchell, *organist* (from *With One Voice*, 682, stanzas 2-5)

OFFERING PRAYER *led by the assisting minister*

GREAT THANKSGIVING



Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: (*the presiding minister continues giving thanks, concluding*)... For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

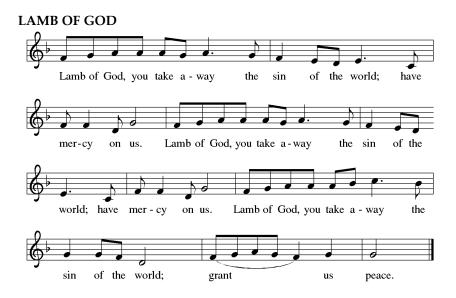
Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup, we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we who share in Christ's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light. **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught 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



SHARING OF THE SACRAMENT

All are welcome to Holy Communion today. Lutherans believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. The ushers will invite you forward to receive; please keep 6 feet of distance between you and the next group of communicants. Gluten free wafers are available; please let the pastor know if you wish to receive them. If you are able to receive either bread or wine (but not both), please know that you still receive the full communion.

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

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

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"O Day Full of Grace"

Red Book #627 (alternate text, stanzas 2-4)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news of the risen Christ! Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE	"Verset"	- Jean Langlais
TOSTLUDE	VEISEL	- Jean Langiais

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

The Rev. Kimberly van Driel	Presiding Minister
Sue Morrow	Assisting Minister
Susan Farrell	Reader
Sharon Heist Miller	Crucifer
Kevin Mathias	Organist
Signe Mitchell	Organist
Jim Cunningham	Trumpeter
Harry Cunningham	Sr. Choir Director
Josh Kamerer	AV Assisting Minister
Joan Giese	PowerPoint Assisting Minister
Roxanne Glagola	Altar Guild
Stan Graff and Dan Morrow	Ushers
Jack and Amy Beiler	Counters

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Sharon Heist Miller, in memory of Glen, and by George and Zema Schaney, in memory of Jared.

All are welcome to gather in the social hall for coffee hour following worship. Thank you to our host, Sharon Heist Miller.

Mon., 6/6	5:00 PM	Community Dinner
	8:00 PM	NA Meeting (Social Hall)
Wed., 6/8	7:00 PM	AA Meeting (Social Hall)
Thurs., 6/9	7:30 PM	NA Meeting (Downstairs)
Fri., 6/10		Pastor Kimberly's Day Off
Sat., 6/11	12:00 PM	NA Meeting (Downstairs)

THIS WEEK AT FIRST ENGLISH

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Together with his family, we mourn the sudden death of Ed Shields this past Thursday. Funeral arrangements are still in process. Rest eternal grant him, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon him.



We celebrate with Kyle Badger upon his graduation from Butler Area High School on Thursday, June 2. Kyle also graduates from BCAVTS with a degree in protective services. Kyle is the son of Susan and Vaughn Badger and the grandson of Bob and Karen Domanski. Congratulations, Kyle, and we pray for God's blessings on the next stage of your life's journey!

VBS will be held at Lutherlyn June 20th -24th. Children ages 3 through entering fifth grade are invited to attend. Registration and health forms can be downloaded from First English's website or picked up at the front desk in the church office.

A Summer Music Schedule is posted in the Social Hall. Please consider signing your name on the schedule for one of the Sundays in June, July, or August. We look forward to hearing your voice, your instrument, and musical talent as an important part of our worship!

If you would like to be added to First English's email list, please send us an email to <u>officefelc@zoominternet.net</u>.

PRAYERS

The family of Ed Shields; the families and community of Uvalde; Tom Walker; Holly Schubert; Jeff Cunningham; family of Mary Ellen Shanor; continued healing for John Negley; family of Don Hapeman (Jeanette Cunningham's stepfather); family of Jim Petsinger; Ellen Dodge; family of Jean Morrow; Jamie McPoyle & family; Andrea Dubler; Keith Morgan; Jan Nieto; family of Marlyn Dempsey; Michelle; baby Mac & family; family of Megan Gibson; Chrissy; family of Charlie Stitt; Jennifer Hartle Fink; family of Rob Huey; the people of Ukraine & others affected by the conflict; Tracy Steadman & family; Kassidy; Roberta; Cindy Regis & family; continued healing for Graham Cannon; Tad Sellers; Anne Ferguson; Pam Patterson; Tom Olson; Judy; Claudia; Karen; Anita

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Wisdom rejoices in the creation

Psalm 8 Your glory is chanted above the heavens. (Ps. 8:2) Romans 5:1-5

God's love poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit John 16:12-15 The Spirit will guide you into the truth

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