# Sunday Worship with Holy Communion



# Pentecost 2024

Peace Lutheran Church

### GATHERING

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

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 Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we are captive 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.

The presiding minister announces God's forgiveness.

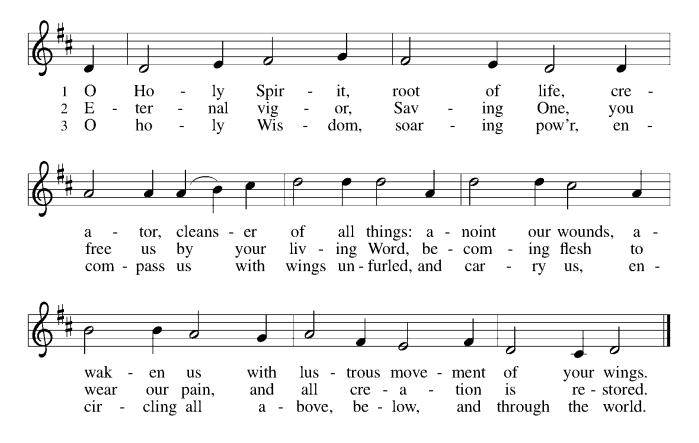
P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the  $\pm$  Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### AllAmen.

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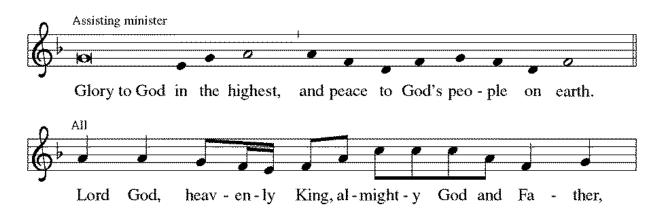
# O Holy Spirit, Root of Life



#### 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.

#### **CANTICLE OF PRAISE**





#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as you sent upon the disciples the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, look upon your Church and open our hearts to the power of the Spirit. Kindle in us the fire of your love, and strengthen our lives for service in your kingdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever

#### THE WORD

#### **FIRST LESSON**

#### Ezekiel 37:1-14

<sup>1</sup>The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup>He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." <sup>4</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup>I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

<sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup>I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GoD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup>I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

<sup>11</sup>Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' <sup>12</sup>Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GoD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup>And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup>I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD."

after the lesson is read	R	Word of God, Word of Life.
	С	Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

We will sing the psalm antiphonally by whole verse.



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<sup>24</sup>How manifold are your <sup>1</sup> works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full<sup>1</sup> of your creatures. <sup>25</sup>Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too man-<sup>1</sup>y to number.

### living things both <sup>1</sup> small and great.

<sup>26</sup>There go the ships <sup>1</sup> to and fro,
 and Leviathan, which you made for the <sup>1</sup> sport of it.
 <sup>27</sup>All of them <sup>1</sup> look to you

#### **to give them their food** <sup>1</sup> **in due season.** <sup>28</sup>You give it to them; they <sup>1</sup> gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled <sup>1</sup> with good things.

<sup>29</sup>When you hide your face, <sup>1</sup>they are terrified;
when you take away their breath, they die and return <sup>1</sup> to their dust.
<sup>30</sup>You send forth your Spirit, and they <sup>1</sup> are created;
and so you renew the face <sup>1</sup> of the earth.

# <sup>31</sup>May the glory of the LORD en-<sup>1</sup> dure forever;

#### O LORD, rejoice in | all your works.

<sup>32</sup>You look at the earth <sup>1</sup> and it trembles;

you touch the mountains <sup>1</sup> and they smoke.

- <sup>33</sup>I will sing to the LORD as long<sup>1</sup> as I live;
  I will praise my God while I<sup>1</sup> have my being.
- <sup>34</sup>May these words of <sup>1</sup> mine please God.

I will rejoice I in the LORD.

<sup>35b</sup>Bless the Lord, <sup>1</sup>O my soul.

Hal-<sup>†</sup>lelujah!

#### SECOND LESSON

#### Acts 2:1-21

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of

them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

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

<sup>17</sup> '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.

<sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women,

in those days I will pour out my Spirit;

and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above

and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

after the lesson is read

R Word of God, Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

We stand. GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



**GOSPEL READING** 

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

P The Holy Gospel according to ...

C Glory to you, O Lord.



[Jesus said,] <sup>26</sup>"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup>You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

<sup>16:4b</sup>"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if

I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

<sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

After the gospel is read

P This is the gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

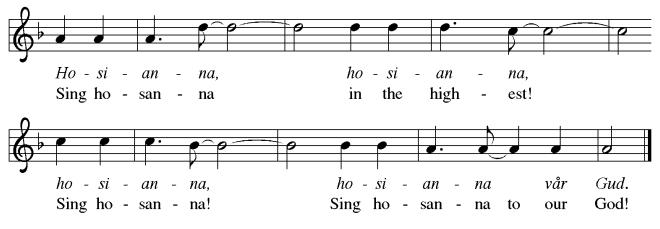
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#### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

#### SERMON

#### **HYMN OF THE DAY**





\* May be sung in canon.

#### **NICENE CREed**

A Together, with our brothers and sisters in the faith all around the world let us profess our faith using the words of the 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

We gather our individual and communal intercessions and thanksgivings, remembering our connection to the universal Church on earth and heaven.

A Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

each petition ends with

A God of grace,C hear our prayer.

P Into your hands gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,

C Amen

#### SHARING THE PEACE

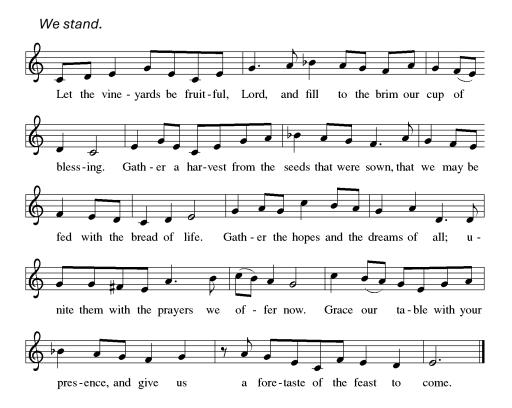
Before we approach the Table of the Lord, we take the time to embody our calling to be agents of reconciliation and peace with one another. Let us ensure that each person in this room knows that God's peace is intended for them as we greet each other with the words, **"Peace be with you."** 

- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us share with one another a sign of Christ's peace.

After you have greeted your neighbors, you are invited to sit.

#### THE OFFERING

We join Christians all over the world in worshiping God through the giving of our financial resources. The mission and ministry of this congregation is completely dependent upon the faithful stewardship of what God has given us. Our offering is a significant act of worship.



#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

- A Let us pray.
- All Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

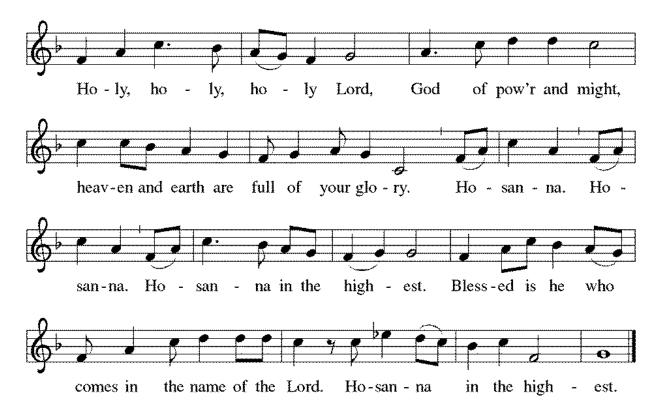
#### THE MEAL

- 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.

P 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, ... 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:



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory ... 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.

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

#### C Amen

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

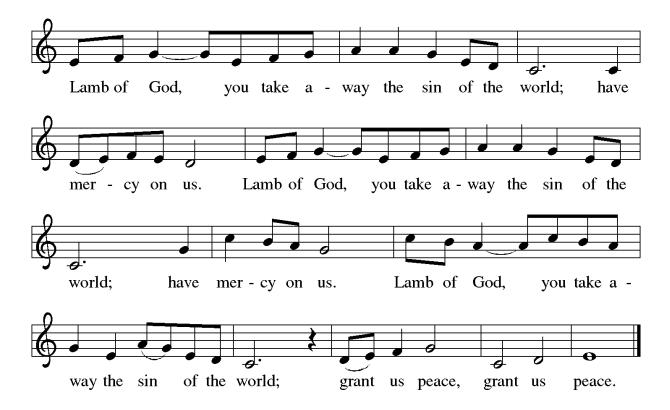
#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

# 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 THE TABLE**

P Taste and see that the Lord is good.



#### DISTRIBUTION

The Table of the Lord is open to all baptized Christians who believe that Christ is truly present in the sacrament. "In, with, and under" the signs of bread and wine are indeed the very Body and Blood of Christ, given for us. If you wish to receive communion please wait until the usher has invited you to come forward. A post-communion blessing will be offered to the entire congregation once everyone who wishes to receive communion has done so. If you are not yet baptized but would like to explore this beautiful and precious gift from God to you, please reach out to Pastor Christ and she would love

to talk to you about it.

#### COMMUNION HYMN O SPIRIT OF LIFE ELW 405

#### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

Having shared in this holy meal, we now prepare to leave the table, giving thanks for spiritual nourishment and praying for strength to be sent in witness to the world.

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

- A Let us pray together.
- C God of Abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### THE SENDING

#### BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

#### C Amen

**SENDING HYMN** 

**ELW 400** 

## God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind



We are dismissed in joy and peace, entering the mission field to do God's work with our hands.

- A Go in peace. Proclaim God's mission for us in the world! For God loves us and calls us to:
- C Love God! Love one another! Grow in Christ and go in Christ!

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