

**CHRIST
LUTHERAN
CHURCH**
ZIONSVILLE



Day of Pentecost

May 28, 2023

All members and guests, please fill out the Welcome Form found at the end of your row and pass it on to your neighbor. The pastoral and spiritual care of the members of Christ Church is very important to us. In order to care for all of you, we need to know who is present and who is not. So, please take a moment to sign the pad. The Welcome Forms will be picked up by the ushers at the end of the service.

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP

Our lives are often taken over by noise and distraction. This time allows us to sit in the silence God has granted so that we might center ourselves on God.

P Come, Holy Spirit,

C The wind of God, the breath of Life.

P Come, Holy Spirit,

C Our Advocate, our Counselor.

P Come, Holy Spirit,

C Teacher of Wisdom, Reminder of Christ.

P Come, Holy Spirit,

C Granter of forgiveness, giver of peace.

P Come, Holy Spirit.

C May we feel God breathing through our worship.

May we receive the Holy Spirit in this place. Amen.

~ written by Joanna Harader and posted on Spacious Faith.

PREPARING OUR HEARTS

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

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.

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.**

Refrain



Ev - 'ry time I feel the spir - it mov - ing
in my heart, I will pray. Ev - 'ry time I feel the
spir - it mov - ing in my heart, I will pray.

1 Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke,
2 . . All a - round me looked so fine,
3 . . Jor - dan riv - er, chilly and cold,

Refrain



out of his mouth came fire and smoke.
asked my Lord if all was mine.
chills the bod - y but not the soul.

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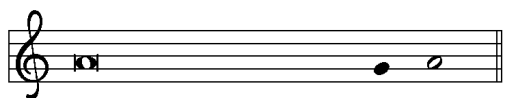
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GREETING

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

C And also with you.

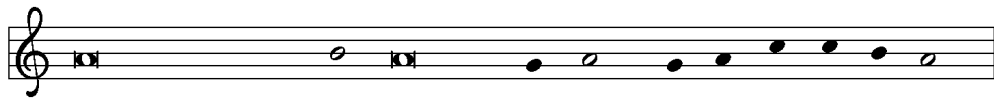
KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



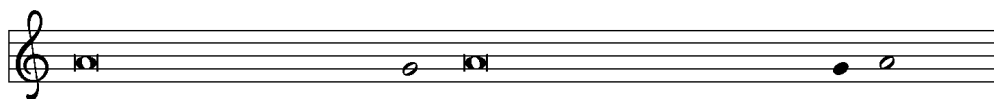
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



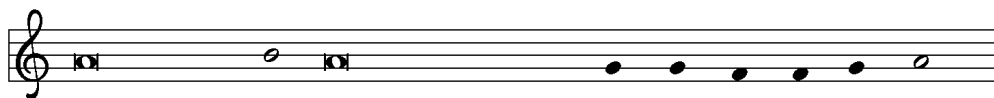
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

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.

WORD

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

FIRST LESSON Acts 2:1-21

L A reading from Acts.

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.' "

L Word of God, Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b

L ²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD!

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

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

L 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.

L 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.

L 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.

L 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.

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

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

SECOND LESSON 1 12:3b-13

L A reading from 1 Corinthians

^{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.

L Word of God, Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the reading of the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL John 20:19-23

P The holy gospel according to 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 You are witness to these things.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jeannie Phillips

SERMON

Pastor Wes Smith

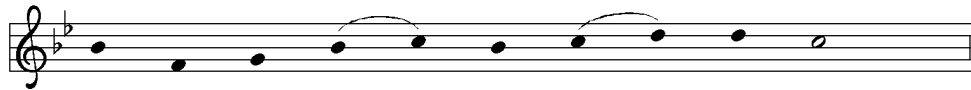
HYMN OF THE DAY

Creator Spirit, Heavenly Dove (vs. 1-3)

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1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, heav'n - ly dove,
2 To you, the Com - fort - er, we cry;
3 In you, with grac - es sev - en - fold,
4 Your light to ev - 'ry sense im - part,
5 Keep far from us our cru - el foe,
6 Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son,



de - scend up - on us from a - bove;
to you, the gift of God most high,
we God's al - might - y hand be - hold;
and shed your love in ev - 'ry heart;
and peace from your own hand be - stow;
and you, of both, to be but one;



with grac - es man - i - fold re - store
true fount of life, the fire of love,
while you with tongues of fire pro - claim
your own un - fail - ing might sup - ply
up - held by you, our strength and guide,
that through the a - ges all a - long



your crea - tures as they were be - fore.
the soul's a - noint - ing from a - bove.
to all the world God's ho - ly name.
to strength - en our in - fir - mi - ty.
no e - vil can our steps be - tide.
your praise may be our end - less song.

APOSTLES' CREED

P Gathered together by the power of the Holy Spirit we confess our common 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.**

*Or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use. ** meaning - all of God's Church...

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

P Passionate God, you sent your Spirit through the gifts of fire, wind, and word. As you equipped the disciples for their work, equip us to bring the good news to all those who long for you.

Come Holy Spirit,

C and send us forth.

P Restoring God, wind and flame bring life and destruction throughout the world. We pray for those who work to sustain and nourish the good world you have made. Give us a renewed sense of awe and wonder for your creation. Renew the face of the earth.

Come Holy Spirit,

C and work through us.

P Open our eyes to see the presence of God all around us, in the stillness of this sacred space, in the busyness and noise of our city streets, in the joys and celebrations of our lives, in the tragedies and struggles that break our hearts.

Come, Holy Spirit,

C and comfort those who grieve.

P Grant them the peace that only you can bring. Stir within us a trust in life beyond death, as we ponder the mysteries of Christ's resurrection and the hope we have in new and everlasting life. Strengthen those who are weak; heal the wounded and broken; give rest to the weary. On this day we pray especially for **Victoria, Theresa, Marilyn, Dave, Jonny, Kathleen, Dennis, Janice, Dick, Georgi, Liam, Patrick, LCFS, Candice, Janet, Annette, Anne, LeeAnn**, and for all those we now name in our hearts or in the presence of this assembly.

Come, Holy Spirit,

C and bring wholeness to the sick.

P Come, Holy Spirit, and inspire our warring world to seek peace, to love our enemies, to put away our weapons, to remember the price paid for our freedom, to care for those who have served.

Come, Holy Spirit,

C and bring peace to the world.

P Come, Holy Spirit, and ignite a fire in our bones, a passion for justice that cannot be quenched until all of your children are loved, until no one is marginalized or oppressed, until everyone has the opportunity to thrive, until the world is transformed and renewed.

Come, Holy Spirit,

C and revive your church.

P Come Holy Spirit as we remember the men and women who have courageously served our nation and made the ultimate sacrifice. We pray for the families and friends of those who have lost their lives in service to our country. May they find solace in your comforting embrace, knowing that their loved ones are forever honored and remembered.

We pray for those who bear the physical and emotional scars of war. Heal their wounds, both seen and unseen, and grant them strength and resilience as they navigate the challenges of life. Fill their hearts with your peace and grant them a renewed sense of purpose.

We pray for all those who are currently serving in the armed forces. Protect them from harm, grant them courage in the face of danger, and surround them with your love. Comfort them, and usher in a world where war is no more.

Come, Holy Spirit,

C and make us instruments of peace.

P Liberate us from complacency and apathy; inspire us with Christ's vision for a world reborn; help us to recognize our gifts for ministry and to use them in service of others; transform our hearts and our minds; fill us with love that overflows; remind us that there is no greater calling than to love you with all that we are and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Come, Holy Spirit,

C and fill us with your love.

P Gracious God, give us a glimpse of your kingdom emerging around us and drawing us into the new things you are doing in the world. may the boldness of your Spirit transform us, may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us, and may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve and worship you now and always.

C Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

In Lutheran theology, the liturgy expresses our beliefs, including reconciliation with God and people, acknowledging their interconnectedness. According to Lutheran teaching, receiving God's free gift of forgiveness requires reconciliation with fellow believers. Passing the peace at this point in the service, through physical touch and handshakes, symbolizes God's reconciling love and forgiveness. It reflects the Lutheran emphasis on humility, forgiveness, and repentance in relationships, and the importance of grace, mercy, and community in our faith journey.

P The peace of Christ is with you always.

C And also with you.

MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY

O Living Breath of God

arr. Harris

Please rise as you are able.

OFFERING

Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful



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 the dreams of all; u -
nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980
Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923
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OFFERING PRAYER

P Let us pray.

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever.

C Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

P The Lord is with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

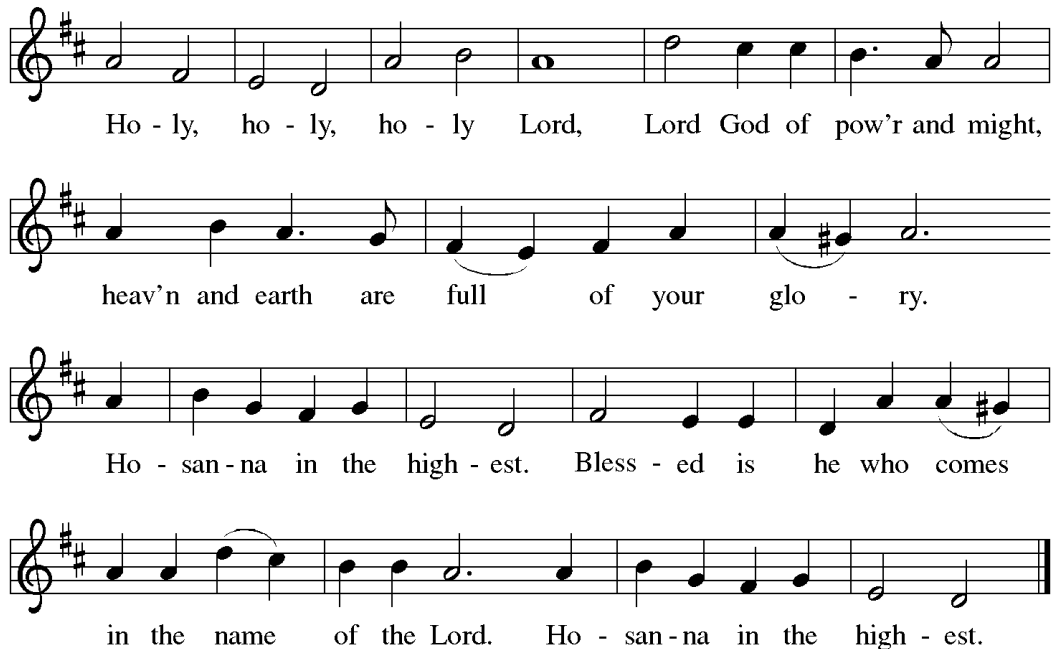
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P It is indeed right, 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,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ,
the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin;
who in dying has destroyed death,
and in rising has brought us to eternal life.
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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n 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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P 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.

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

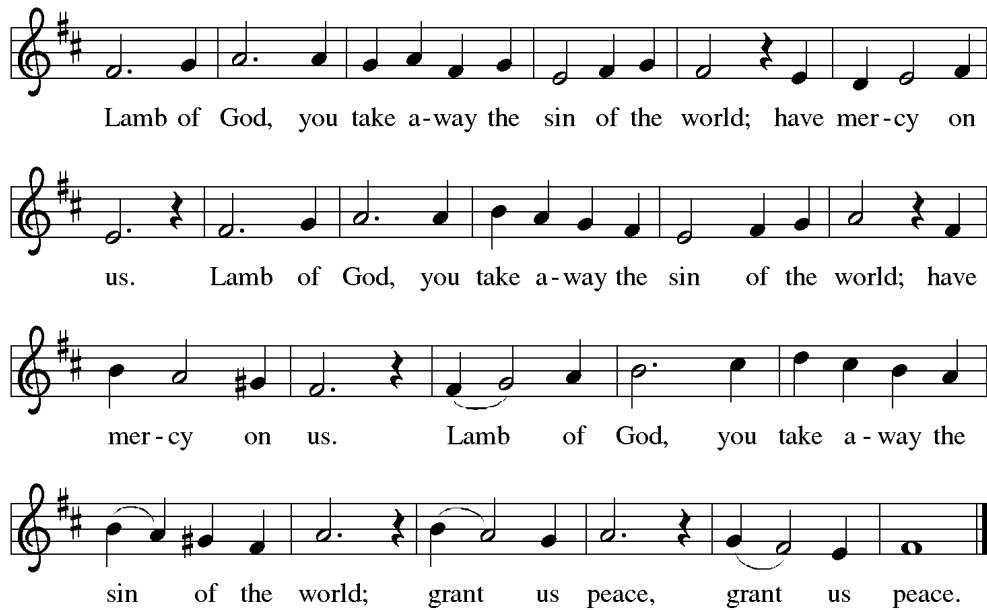
P Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION

All are welcome to participate in the Lord's Meal. If it's been years, or just a week, the bread and wine/juice and Jesus' presence in, with, and around them are for all. If you have questions about taking your first communion don't hesitate to speak with Pastor Wes.

*Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. When you come forward you will receive a wafer from Pastor Wes and you will hear the words **the body of Christ, given for you**. Once you eat the wafer you are invited to take either wine or juice from the communion assistant and you will hear the words, **the blood of Christ, shed for you**. Once you've communed there is a small receptacle where the used communion cup can be placed.*

COMMUNION SONG & PERSONAL PRAYER



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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray.

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER & BLESSING

P As you enter a new week,
may you experience God's presence.
May you feel God pouring out the Holy Spirit
over your heads and your thoughts and the words of your lips,
over your hearts and your feelings and emotions
and your compassion for all others,
and over your hands and your feet
as you put into action all that God commands you.
During this week,
may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with each of you;

C Amen.

~ posted on the Presbyterian Church of Canada website. <http://presbyterian.ca/worship/>

Please stand as you are able.



1 Lord, you give the great com - mis-sion: "Heal the sick and
 2 Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my name bap -
 3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bod - y,
 4 Lord, you show us love's true mea-sure: "Fa - ther, what they
 5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you



preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion,
 tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise,
 this my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,
 do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure
 to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,



and the gos - pel go un - heard, help us wit - ness
 life a - bun - dant meant for each, give us all new
 dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, ask - ing that the
 all that you so free - ly give. May your care and
 may we serve as you in - tend and, a - mid the



to your pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty:
 fer - vor, draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty:
 world a - round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty:
 mer - cy lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty:
 cares that claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty:



With the Spir - it's gifts em - pow'r us for the work of min - is - try.

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DISMISSAL

P You are the light of the world risen up for the sake of the world. Go in peace share the good news.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

A Festal Fanfare (Bach)

arr. Thompson



SERVING US AT WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

Guest Organist:	Kathy Bloom
Lector:	Barbara Burkhardt
Communion Assistant:	John Burkhardt
Greeter:	Julia Hill
Usher:	Jamie Stewart
Nursery:	Cheryl Kussow
Hospitality:	Sue Haughton, Bob Behrend
Financial Assistants:	Rose Conrad, Dawn Firmani
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