

WELCOME

THE DAY OF PENTECOST

SAT. MAY 23/SUN. MAY 24, 2026



“WHERE THE SPIRIT FLOWS, LIFE GROWS”

AS WE GATHER

The arrival of the Holy Spirit is a day of celebration. This is a day to rejoice in promises kept and anticipate greater things to come. The festival’s signature red color reminds us of the fiery arrival of the Spirit, the Spirit’s ongoing work as the heartbeat of Christ’s church, and the blood shed by believers past and present as they proclaim the crucified, risen, and ascended Christ.

✠ PREPARATION ✠

OPENING HYMN “O Holy Spirit, Enter In” *LSB 913*

HYPERLINKS

<https://youtu.be/0LKMVXCYq68?si=IG9fpS4Lw5lOIGNr&t=46>

**1 O Holy Spirit, enter in,
And in our hearts Your work begin,
Your dwelling place now make us.
Sun of the soul, O Light divine,
Around and in us brightly shine,**

**To joy and gladness wake us
That we may be
Truly living,
To You giving
Prayer unceasing
And in love be still increasing.**

**2 Give to Your Word impressive pow'r,
That in our hearts from this good hour
As fire it may be glowing,
That in true Christian unity
We faithful witnesses may be,
Your glory ever showing.
Hear us, cheer us
By Your teaching;
Let our preaching
And our labor
Praise You, Lord, and serve our neighbor.**

**3 O mighty Rock, O Source of life,
Let Your dear Word, in doubt and strife,
In us be strongly burning
That we be faithful unto death
And live in love and holy faith,
From You true wisdom learning.
Your grace and peace
On us shower;
By Your power
Christ confessing,
Let us see our Savior's blessing.**

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Romans 8:16–17

Pastor: Come, O Lord, fill the hearts of the faithful,

People: and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

Pastor: The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

People: and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

***People:* But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

***People:* Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

✠ **WORD** ✠

KYRIE



☐ Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“All Glory Be to God Alone”

LSB 948, St. 1 & 2

**All glory be to God alone,
Forevermore the highest one,
Who did our sinful race befriend
And grace and peace to us extend.
Among us may His gracious will
All hearts with deep thanksgiving fill.**

**We praise You, God, Your name we bless
And worship You in humbleness;
From day to day we glorify
The everlasting God on high.
Of Your great glory do we sing,
And to Your throne our thanks we bring.**

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Numbers 11:24–30

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. ²⁵ Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

²⁶ Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” ²⁸ And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, “My lord Moses, stop them.” ²⁹ But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!” ³⁰ And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM **“Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord”**
Martin Luther

SECOND READING *Acts 2:1–21* (*Promises come to pass and the Spirit ignites the church.*)

2 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested^[a] on each one of them. ⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” ¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let

this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵ For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day.^[b] ¹⁶ But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:
¹⁷ ““And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams;
¹⁸ even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.
¹⁹ And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;
²⁰ the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.
²¹ And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

VERSE

Romans 6:9; John 16:33b

People: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 7:37–39

(The festival-going Christ points to the life that flows from the Spirit.)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventh chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

³⁷ On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” ³⁹ Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY “God Loves Me Dearly” *LSB 392*

HYPERLINK

<https://youtu.be/-uqzrSCGVY?si=pCYO7AVs-aiLCPEJ>

1) God loves me dearly,
Grants me salvation,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me.

Therefore I'll say again:
God loves me dearly,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me.

2) I was in slavery,
Sin, death and darkness;
God's love was working
To make me free.

Therefore I'll say again:
God loves me dearly,

**God loves me dearly,
Loves even me.**

**3)He sent forth Jesus,
My dear Redeemer,
He sent forth Jesus
And set me free.**

**Therefore I'll say again:
God loves me dearly,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me,**

**4)Jesus, my Savior,
Himself did offer;
Jesus, my Savior,
Paid all I owed.**

**Therefore I'll say again:
God loves me dearly,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me.**

**5) Now I will praise You,
O love Eternal;
Now I will praise You
All my life long.**

**Therefore I'll say again:
God loves me dearly,
God loves me dearly,
Loves even me.**

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Timothy Oswald

CONFESSION OF FAITH – THE THIRD ARTICLE

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH OFFERING

✠ SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples saying, *“Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”*

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, *“Drink ye all of it; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins. This do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me.”*

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we
proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to
pray:

**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.**

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

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**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace.**

✠DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION✠

By communing, a person says publicly that they -

- are baptized and confirmed

- believe Christ's words
- repent of their sins
- fully agree with all that the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod teaches.

How to receive –

- anyone may come to the altar but keep hands folded if not receiving Communion
- the center of the tray has a cup with just a drop of wine for those who must minimize alcohol
- smile, exude your joy, but keep a reverent demeanor as others commune

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”

LSB 618

HYPERLINK

<https://youtu.be/4QLFZApE6AY?si=7-ozfVPthaqX8SC&t=23>

**1.I come, O Savior, to Thy Table,
For weak and weary is my soul;
Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able
To satisfy and make me whole:
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!**

**2.Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning
That sinners may salvation see
Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning;
So I, a sinner, come to Thee.
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!**

**3.Unworthy though I am, O Savior,
Because I have a sinful heart,**

**Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,
For Thou my faithful shepherd art;
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!**

**4. Weary am I and heavy laden;
With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
Receive me graciously and gladden
My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!**

**5. What higher gift can we inherit?
It is faith's bond and solid base;
It is the strength of heart and spirit,
The covenant of hope and grace.
Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood
Be for my soul the highest good!**

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

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**O Jesus, Blessed Lord to Thee
My heartfelt thanks forever be,
Who hast so lovingly bestowed
On me Thy body and Thy blood.
Break forth, my soul, for joy and say:
What wealth is come to me this day!
My Savior dwells within my heart:
How blessed am I! How good Thou art!**

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray.

Most Holy Triune God, we praise You for remembering us in Your kingdom, setting a place for us at Your Table, and bringing us into a life that lasts forever. As those forgiven by Your grace and sealed in Baptism as Your treasured possession, bless us with firm faith and a holy purpose, that we would keep Your commandments, know the love of our Father, and live in His truth; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN “Today Your Mercy Calls Us” *LSB 915*

HYPERLINKS

<https://youtu.be/TIBZyUuvseI?si=UpSFISPiLngFCHT&t=6>

**1 Today Your mercy calls us
To wash away our sin.
However great our trespass,
Whatever we have been,
However long from mercy
Our hearts have turned away,
Your precious blood can wash us
And make us clean today.**

**2 Today Your gate is open,
And all who enter in
Shall find a Father's welcome
And pardon for their sin.
The past shall be forgotten,
A present joy be giv'n,
A future grace be promised,
A glorious crown in heav'n.**

**3 Today our Father calls us;
His Holy Spirit waits;
His blessed angels gather
Around the heav'nly gates.
No question will be asked us
How often we have come;
Although we oft have wandered,
It is our Father's home.**

**4 O all-embracing Mercy,
O ever-open Door,
What should we do without You
When heart and eye run o'er?
When all things seem against us,
To drive us to despair,
We know one gate is open,
One ear will hear our prayer.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:
“Dedicated to knowing Christ and making Christ**

known to others”

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- **Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Timothy Oswald
- **Liturgist (Sun.)** Rev. Maurice Lind, Pastor Emeritus
- **Sat. Organist:** Lina Schaal
- **Sun. Organist:** George Kelm
- **Choir Director:** Gail Feick
- **Ensemble Coordinator:** Tabra Gomski
- **A/V Team:** Brian & Amanda Larie
Stan & Cheryl Grey, Dawn Oswald

- **Please call (757-831-6948) or e-mail Pastor Oswald (oswald1@charter.net) with your prayer requests.**

- **INTERESTED IN A SMALL GROUP setting study of the Book of Numbers? Please see Pastor or Mike Gomski.**

- **THE SILENT AUCTION log book is on a table in the back of the fellowship hall downstairs. Please log in any items your bring and give any gift cards/other valuables to Phyllis to be locked up. Other items can be put on the table. If you would like to make up a silent auction basket, baskets and supplies (shrink wrap bags, pipe cleaners, ribbon) are also on a table in the back downstairs. Please take what you need. Baskets do not need to be wrapped.**

- **HELP NEEDED – JULY 11 CAR SHOW: Sign-up sheets for helping and donations for food such as pop (cans), water bottles, hamburger buns, french bread loaves for**

garlic bread are in the narthex. Please see Gail with questions.

- **YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTAKE IN A BABY SHOWER for A Place of Refuge. Please bring items needed for Babies and/or for the new Moms. Please add your items to our baby cradle. Last day for donations will be May 31.**

Please make sure they are clean and good condition or purchase something new. A Place of Refuge is located in Milwaukee. They care for women facing crisis pregnancy with Christ's Love. Thank you, we appreciate your support as we support these Moms and their precious babies. Any questions ask Peter, Tami or Beth.

- **TASTY FELLOWSHIP: We would appreciate additional help in providing treats after Sunday services. If you are interested or would like more information, please see Tami Voigt.**

THIS WEEK

Reader:	Paul Trettin
Communion:	Paul Schneider
Ushers:	Sue Robinson & Gail Feick
Fellowship:	MaryBeth Fragassi & Evie Benedeck
Altar Guild:	George & Nadine Kelm

NEXT WEEK

Reader:	Gail Feick
Communion:	Paul Schneider
Ushers:	Peter Voight & Gary Schaetten

Fellowship: Phyllis Klen
Altar Guild: George & Nadine Kelm
BIRTHDAYS

05/31 Mike Gomski

Calendar of Events This Week
05/25/26–05/31/26

Thursday: 6:00pm AA Meeting

Saturday: 9:30am Worship Service

Sunday: 8:15am Choir Rehearsal
9:00am Worship Service
10:20am Bible Study
7:00pm AA Meeting

