

Encouraging and strengthening faith in Jesus, and sharing the joy of God's love.

May 20, 2018

Pentecost Sunday

10:15am

Rev. Dr. Sidney Nelson, Interim Pastor

-WE GATHER----

INTRODUCTION

On the fiftieth day of Easter we celebrate the Spirit, through whom and in whom the people of God are created and re-created. Pentecost is sometimes called the church's birthday, but might more appropriately be called its baptism day, since the gift of the Spirit is the fullness of baptism. Ezekiel's vision shows the Spirit resurrecting and re-creating not just individuals but a whole people. Romans makes it clear that God is in the process of re-creating the entire cosmos; yet the Spirit is also at work in the most intimate and personal way, praying in us "with sighs too deep for words" when we do not know how to pray.

CHOIR PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SONG:

Spirit Song

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THE 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.

THE RITE OF HOLY BAPTISM

P: God, which is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Church sponsors: We present *Ayzia* for baptism. **God parents:** We present *Aubrey Ariel Mason* for baptism.

P: Ayzia, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ? Ayzia: I do.

P: Parents, as you bring your children to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with them among God's faithful people, bring them to the word of God and the holy supper, teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in their hands the holy scriptures, and nurture them in faith and prayer, so that Ayzia, Mason, Ariel and Aubrey may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help *Mason, Ariel and Aubrey* grow in the Christian faith and life? **R: I do.**

P: God parents, do you promise to nurture *Mason, Ariel and Aubrey* in their Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

R: I do.

P: People of God, do you promise to support *Ayzia, Mason, Ariel and Aubrey* and pray for them in their new life in Christ? **C: I do.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P: Parents and God parents, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

R: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

R: I renounce them.

- P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?
- R: I renounce them.

APOSTLES' CREED (Baptismal party and congregation)

- P: Do you believe in God the Father?
- C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- C: 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.
- P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
- C: 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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: and also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

BAPTISM

P: *Ayzia, Mason, Ariel, Aubrey,* I baptize you in the name of the Father, **†** and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

ANOINTING

Ayzia, Mason, Ariel Aubrey, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain *Ayzia, Mason, Ariel and Aubrey* with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF BAPTISMAL CANDLE

A: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Blessing of the God parent's gifts to those who are baptized.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

C: And also with you.

P: Let us share with one another the peace of the Lord and welcome the newly baptized.

KYRIE (Sung)



HYMN OF PRAISE "This is the feast"



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray together:

C: Mighty God, you breathe life into our hearts, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

Youth and Children's Message

-WE HEAR GOD'S WORD-

FIRST READING:

Acts 2:1-21

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 Libva 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 ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of wine." 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: This is the word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

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

- 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!**

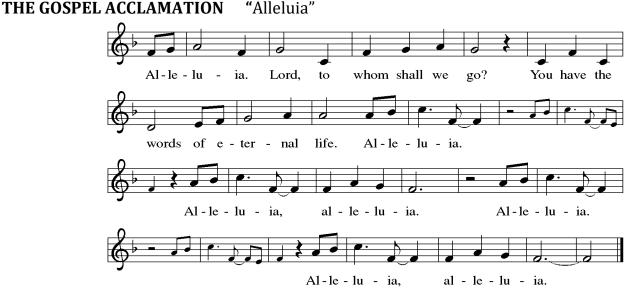
SECOND READING:

²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. ²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

L: This is the word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.



P: The Holy Gospel, according to St. John the 15th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

GOSPEL:

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

[Jesus said,] ²⁶"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. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

^{16:4b}"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless 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. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

Romans 8:22-27

¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When 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. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

WE RESPOND

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

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Sidney Nelson

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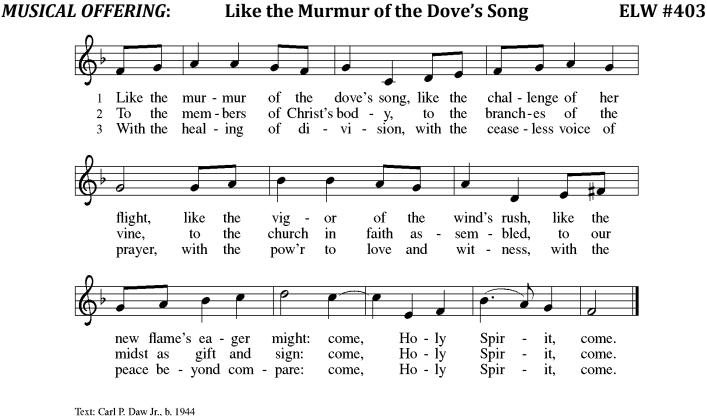
Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading SERMON SONG: ELW#401 θ M - fa-ri - ji Njo - o kwe - tu, Ro - ho mwe - ma, we tu. Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead-ing, fash - ion us all а new. 1 Come to teach us, come to nour - ish those who be-lieve in 2 Christ. 3 Guide our think-ing and our speak-ing done in your ho - ly name. Tu - fu - ndi - she ya mbi - ngu - ni, tи we wa - tu wa - pya. It's your lead - ing that we're need-ing, help to fol - low you. us Bless the faith - ful, may they flour-ish, strength-ened by grace un priced. Mo - ti - vate all in their seek-ing, free - ing from guilt and shame. Refrain A Njo Ro - ho -0, njo 0, njo - o, mwe ma. -Come. come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come. θ Njo njo - o,Ro - ho 0, njo 0, mwe ma. -ly Spir - it, Come. come, come, Ho come. 4 Not mere knowledge, but discernment, 5 Keep us fervent in our witness, unswayed by earth's allure. nor rootless liberty; Ever grant us zealous fitness, turn disquiet to contentment, which you alone assure. Refrain doubt into certainty. Refrain Text: Wilson Niwagila; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

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- WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE –

OFFERING



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OFFERING PRAYER

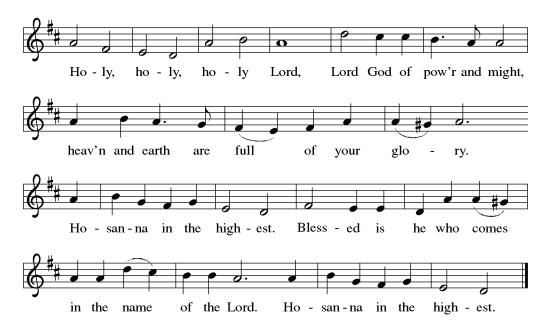
A: Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. **Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Dialogue

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.** 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. In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that, beholding the God made visible,

we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see.

And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



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.

P: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:C: Christ has died.Christ is risen.Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Word dwelling among us, full of grace and truth. We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection. We look with hope for his coming. **C: Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit. Come among us. Bless this meal.May your Word take flesh in us. Awaken your people. Fill us with your light.Bring the gift of peace on earth.C: Come, Holy Spirit.

All praise and glory are yours, Holy One of Israel, Word of God incarnate, Power of the Most High, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen... 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.

Please sit and wait until the ushers direct you to come forward.

Invitation of Communion

(All baptized Christians are invited to participate in the celebration of holy communion. Those who are not baptized and children not yet communing may come forward for a blessing, please cross your arms on your chest if you desire a blessing).

P: Welcome to the Lord's table.

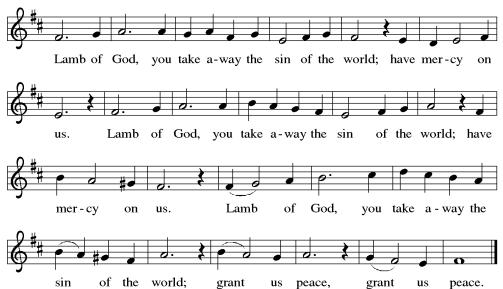
Holy Communion (Our communion is by intinction: Receive the bread and dip bread in the wine.) Gluten free bread is available on the right side. (please ask) Alcohol free wine is available on the right side. (please ask)

P: The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

C: Amen.

"LAMB OF GOD"



Communion Song:

Spirit of Gentleness



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Instrumental Music

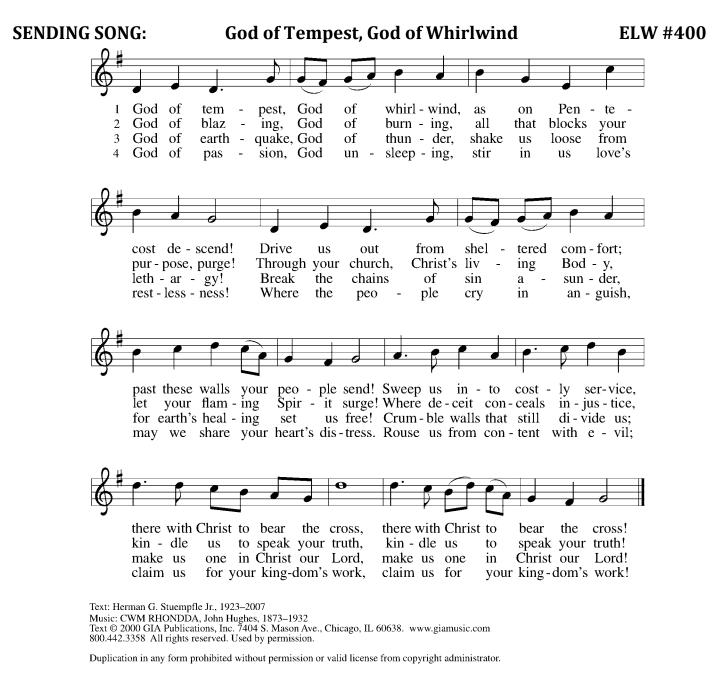
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.** Cesar Vidaud

-WE ARE SENT FORTH-

Benediction

P: May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**



DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Share the good news. **C: Thanks be to God.**

IN OUR PRAYERS

In our prayers today are these members of our homebound and others of our parish family in need of healing: Edith Reichenback, Audrey Shumway, Laurel Blake, Jim Loggins, Diane Adler, Katie, Roy and Barbara Kaptain, Bob & Jane Reinhold, and Shelley Amato.

Prayers for Friends of the Church: (Please renew your request every 3 weeks)

🛿 Betty Lou Hayer 🕸 Barb Gummo 🕸 Celeste, and for Calvary Lutheran in Minong, Wisconsin.

In the hospital:

Edith Reichenback -	Holy Cross Hospital		
	4725 N Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale, Fl. 33308		
In a facility or homebound:			
Audrey Shumway –	Stratford Court of Boca Raton Room #233A		
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Barbara Kaptain –	The Atrium Assistant Living at Boca Raton.		
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Jim Loggins -	John Knox Village - Woodlands		
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Broward-Bahamas Conference Event - Pentecost Sing

You are invited!! Sunday, May 20, we are having an area wide Pentecost Sing at Zion Lutheran Church 959 SE 6th Ave, Deerfield Beach, Fl. 33441 at 4pm. Choirs, Solo's Traditional, Cotemporary, Latin, etc. Come enjoy. (For those in the mass choir, there is a 3:00pm rehearsal).

Thank You Notes

♥ Worshipping wants to express our thanks to Kevin, John and Eric for their help decorating for Pentecost ♥ Our thanks to Linda Hanzlik for all the goodies she prepares and brings to us every Sunday. Thank you, Linda ♥ Also we want thanks to Rosie and Jimmy Fennelli for donating to the chancel chair in memory of their nephew Jimmy Rosa.

Service Assistants for May			
10:15 AM	<u>May 20</u>	<u>May 27</u>	
ASSISTING MINISTER	Carol Jacobson	Sera Butz	
ACOLYTE	Alyana Cartwright	Katie Paff	
LECTOR	Tom Peterson	Catherine Zippay	
USHERS –Need 4 to Serve Head Usher	Lisa Castaneda(w) Suzanne Loggins Terry Shumway Jean Petitt	Patricia Engle Harry Ambrose Linda Hanzlik(w) Terry Shumway	
	Rosie Fennelli	Rosie Fennelli	
GREETERS –	Caroline Smith	Kelly Jacobson	
Need 2 to Serve	Linda Hanzlik	Rose Jone	
SOUND	Dennis Magarrell	Eric Castaneda	
PROJECTION	Larry Jones	Larry Jones	

Service Assistants for May

(w) will give wine at communion. Thank you all for serving.



Sunday Schedule

10:15 a.m. Worship Holy Communion is celebrated weekly

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Activity Calendar Sunday 20 Pentecost Sunday (wear red) 10:15am Sunday Worship 11:45am Confirmation Class 4:00pm Pentecost Sing - Zion Lutheran Monday 21 9:30am-12:30pm Office Open Tuesday 22 9:30am-12:30pm Office Open Wednesday 23 8:00am Quilting 9:30am-12:30pm Office Open Thursday 24 9:30am-12:30pm Office Open 7:30pm Choir rehearsal Friday 25 9:30am-12:30pm Office Open Saturday 26 Happy and blessed Saturday! Sunday 27 10:15am Sunday Worship



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