Day of Pentecost

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Virtual Bulletin with Holy Communion, Setting VIII

Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran Church

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Prelude "Holy Spirit" arr. Heather Sorenson

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THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the holy Trinity, \oplus one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring. In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.

Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

Amen.



OPENING HYMN

O Holy Spirit, Enter In

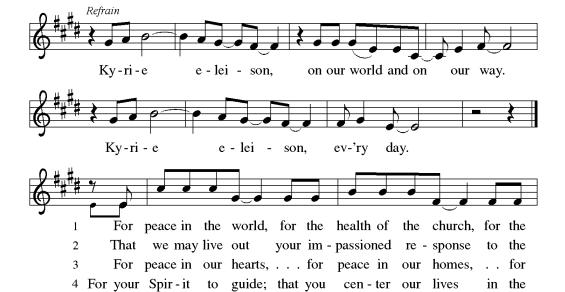


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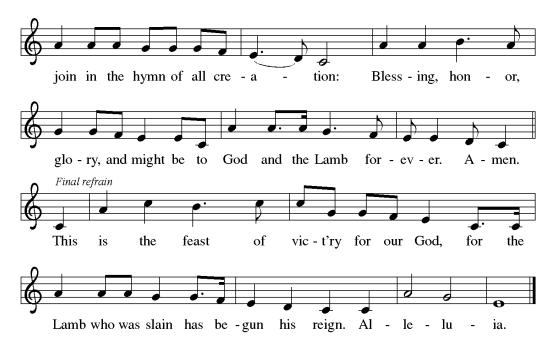
GREETING

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.**

KYRIE (Lord Have Mercy)







PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.

Amen.

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 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.**

PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b *The congregation responds with the bold verses.*

- 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 man- | y to number, living things both | small and great.
- ²⁶There go the ships ^I to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the ^I sport of it.
- ²⁷All of them | look to you to give them their food | in due season.
- ²⁸You give it to them; they ¹ gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled ¹ with good things.
- ²⁹When you hide your face, ¹ they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return ¹ to their dust.
- ³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they I are created; and so you renew the face I of the earth.
- 31 May the glory of the LORD en- $^{\mid}$ dure forever; O LORD, rejoice in $^{\mid}$ all your works.
- ³²You look at the earth ^I and it trembles; you touch the mountains ^I 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. Hal- [|] lelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

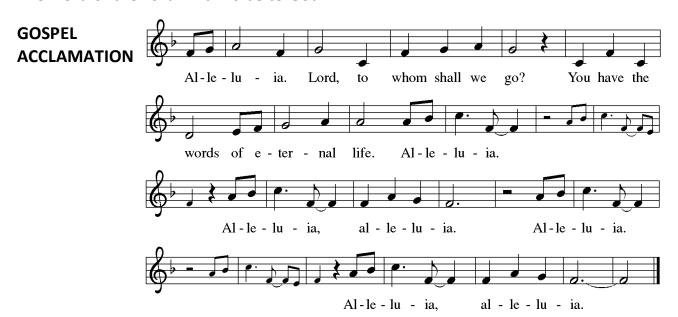
^{3b}No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

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.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

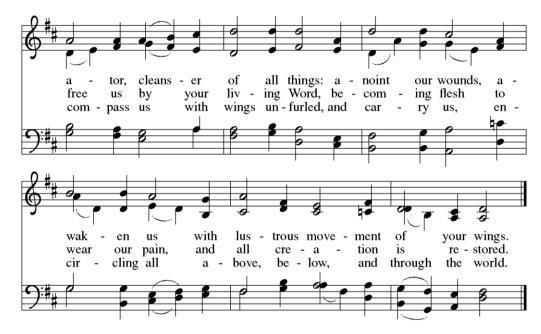
¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced 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."

The Gospel of our Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON Pastor Zach Johnson

HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 399





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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

Each petition ends with "Hear us, O God." The assembly responds with "Your mercy is great."

SHARING OF THE PEACE - The presiding and the assembly share a virtual sign of peace.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Jesus, Our Blessed Hope of Heaven"

- Gordon Young

OFFERING PRAYER - All speak the prayer together.

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

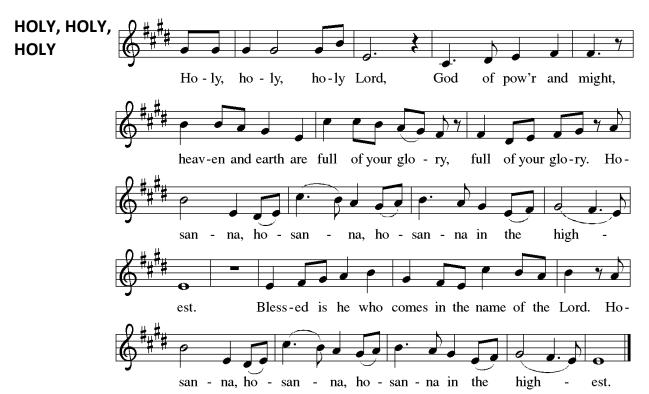
Lift up your hearts.

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...we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you, O God of the universe...With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence. **Come Holy Spirit.**

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread...Send us forth, burning with justice, peace and love. **Come Holy Spirit.**

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

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

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

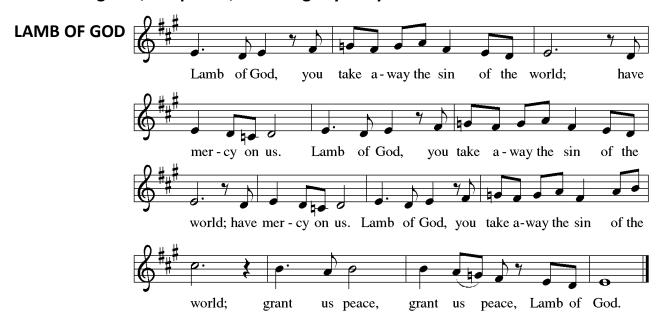
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

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.



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All are invited into a time of reflection before they receive communion. During this time, you may prepare your hearts to receive the sacrament. Once ready, you may commune yourself and those around you with the bread and wine/grape juice. A representative from each household may say the following—bread: "The body of Christ given for you." Wine/grape juice: "The blood of Christ shed for you."

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION - All speak the prayer together.

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

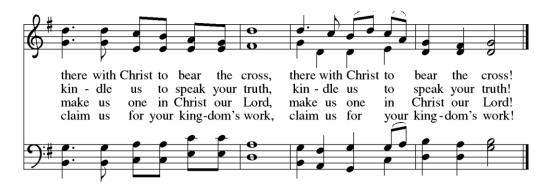
BLESSING

The God of all, who raised \pm Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 400





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DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude "Spirit Song" John Wimber

Altar flowers are given by Ken & Gretchen Sterling, with Prayers for Peace from God's Love, and protections and guidance for each and every Soul.

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Calendar This Week		
Every Sunday	10:00 AM	Virtual & In-Person Worship Service
Wed 5/31/23	10:00 AM	Bible Study in the Chapel
Wed 5/31/23	7:00 PM	Bible Study via Zoom
Thurs 6/1/23	7:00 PM	Choir Practice
Sat 6/3/23	9:30 AM	Food Shelf Open

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Bible Study classes offered with 2 opportunities to participate: Wednesdays at 10 AM in the chapel and at 7 PM via Zoom. Contact Pastor for the zoom link at Pastor@hillavenuegrace.org

Join Pastor Zach in a ministry team to help us transition our ministry to this post pandemic time and reach out to our community in this time and place. If you are interested in helping the church discern where the Holy Spirit is leading us, contact Pastor Zach and he will let you know when the team starts meeting.

The Hill Avenue Grace Food Shelf needs volunteers! We're looking for new, friendly faces to help distribute food on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 AM. You can help out as often or as little as you want. If you're open to hearing more, please contact Angela Jorgensen at foodshelf@hillavenuegrace.org

Property Cleanup – We will be cleaning out the 2nd floor of the Education building in

preparation for possible rental space. We need help removing old items, gathering items for give-away, changing light bulbs, cleaning, plastering, painting, etc. Can't help with the physical cleanup but want to help? Sponsor an activity! Contact Dave Cuatt to help out!

Spending Evenings Together (S.E.T.) - Tuesday Summer Cookouts!

Youth and Congregational Life is planning a cookout twice a month during the summer beginning June 14th. It will be on Tuesday evenings from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM (time may change).

We will gather on the patio (where Sunday coffee fellowship happens) for food, fellowship, and a good time. HAGL will provide burgers and hot dogs, buns, condiments, water, and iced tea. We request that you bring your own table service, and we also ask you to consider bringing (one of the following) chips, cookies, fruit, salad, snacks, or other things to share during our time together. Feel free to bring your own camping/outdoor chairs as well.

Our goal for this blurb is to promote this event and to know if people are interested and will be attending, if the time works for them, if you have other things you would want us to consider, etc. Don't hesitate to contact Irene Amon or Pr. Zach with your thoughts.

Join us this Sunday at 10 AM for our Virtual Worship via Zoom!

Check in a few minutes early and hear the prelude! You may also join us on Facebook Live. We look forward to seeing your faces and worshiping together!

Join Zoom Meeting

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We are back to joining at the altar for communion. We will be going up the center aisle and returning down the side aisles. If you are not comfortable with that, pick up a communion set at the table in the narthex and then proceed into the sanctuary. There will be 3 options for communion: bread and wine, bread and juice, and gluten-free bread and wine. Only take one set for yourself. Wait for communion instructions before opening the packet.

The service will still be available on Zoom and Facebook Live for those who prefer to remain at home. If you have questions, please let our church office know. We look forward to actually seeing you at church this Sunday!