

PENTECOST

Luther Memorial Church June 8, 2025

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

PSALM: 48 (TLH Pg. 134); **PRAYERS: 77** (Pg. 109); **70** (Pg. 109).

HYMNS: 744 398 780 785

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 744 - "How Great Thou Art"

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT (Setting One, WS. Pg. 1-11)

<u>Pastor</u>: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation: Amen.**

<u>Pastor</u>: Beloved of God: Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

<u>Congregation</u>: Almighty God, our maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore , as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

- - □ Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OT LESSON: GENESIS 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." ⁵ And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." 8 So the Lord dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth. And from there the Lord dispersed them over the face of all the earth. *

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 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. ¹⁶ But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

" '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; even on my male servants and female servants

even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

- And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;
- the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.
- And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.' *

GOSPEL LESSON:

JOHN 14:23-27

²³ Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

²⁵ "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. *

ALLELUIA

<u>Pastor</u>: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

<u>Congregation</u>: Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

THE NICENE CREED (WS. Pg. 5)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made;

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead And the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN: 398 - "Renew Me, O Eternal Light"

THE SERMON:

1 TIMOTHY 3:1-7

¹ This is a faithful saying: If a man desires the position of a bishop, he desires a good work. ² A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior, hospitable, able to teach; ³ not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for money, but gentle, not quarrelsome, not covetous; ⁴ one who rules his own house well, having his children in submission with all reverence ⁵ (for if a man does not know how to rule his own house, how will he take care of the church of God?); ⁶ not a novice, lest being puffed up with pride he fall into the same condemnation as the devil. ⁷ Moreover he must have a good testimony among those who are outside, lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil."**

THE OFFICE...THAT IS GOOD WORK

Qualifications/Disqualifications

THE OFFERTORY

 □ Create in me a clean heart, O God, Renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence. Take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Uphold me with Your free Spirit.

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

We express our thanksgiving for what the Savior Jesus has done for us by supporting His Work with our time, talents and gifts. These gifts are NOT collected during worship but placed in the rear of the sanctuary at the beginning of worship.

THE OFFERING HYMN

(TLH 234:1,3,6)

- **□** Holy Ghost, with light divine Shine upon this heart of mine; Chase the shades of night away, Turn the darkness into day.
- **□** Holy Ghost, with power divine Cleanse this guilty heart of mine; In Thy mercy pity me, From sin's bondage set me free.
- See, to Thee I yield my heart, Shed Thy life through every part;
 A pure temple I would be, Wholly dedicate to Thee.

PRAYER (S)/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.

HYMN: 780 - "Dear Lord, to Your True Servants Give"

THE BENEDICTION: CONGREGATION: (Spoken) "Amen."

CLOSING HYMN:

785 - "Children of the Heavenly Father"

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Welcome to all of our guests and visitors this morning in Jesus' name. We are glad that you have come to worship with us this morning, and hope that you will return and join us again. It is our prayer that your faith will be strengthened by the preaching of our Lord's Word. If you have any questions about our church or are interested in learning more about the Scriptures, please either speak with an usher on the way out.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 8, 2025

THIS MORNING

Voter's Meeting - Teacher Call Meeting

THIS WEEK

Tuesday: LM Council, 6:00pm

Wednesday: Woodlands Nursing Home Services 10, 10:30am

Sunday: Worship 9am.

GENERAL BUDGET

The 2025 General Budget was set in our Annual Meeting at \$130,000.00. We have thus far received: \$57,989.25.

COOPERATIVE BUDGET PLEDGE

Please keep our Cooperative Budge Pledge needs in mind when giving thanks to the Savior for all of His gifts to you. We have pledged to send \$22,000 to support the work of the LORD in our church body, the Church of the Lutheran Confession in 2024-25. Thus far we have received \$ 16,810.00 toward that pledge.

FAMILY FELLOWSHIP HOUR 2025

There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board for those who would like to host a Family Fellowship Hour during 2025. November is the only month without a host.

CHRIST EXPLORER'S CAMP

Young Adult Retreat: Well, our camp is growing up just like the majority of our youth in our church at Holy Trinity. So.... this year, we have decided to host a more "grown up" camp for our older youth. This will actually become a Young Adult Retreat! We are inviting young adults entering grades 9 and up and our young college youth to join us in Bryson City, NC, for a young adult retreat! Please save the date for Christ's Explorers Retreat - Thursday, June 19 - Sunday, June 22. Questions, please contact Sara Kloke (runsforfun@aol.com), Karen Howell (kdhowell32@gmail.com), or Julie Levandoski (levandoskidressage@gmail.com).

SPRING MISSION FESTIVAL

A spring Mission Festival is scheduled for next Sunday June 15^{th.} Pastor Paul Krause, a son of the congregation, will be doing the preaching and playing organ. **We are having a Fellowship Meal (cf. FFH). All are invited to bring something.** There is no signup sheet.

PIANO/VIOLIN RECITAL

A piano/violin recital is planned for Sunday June 29th in the fellowship hall following worship.

WEBSITE CALENDAR

While the contest part may be over, we would love to share more artwork on our calendar page so we can fill the rest of the year and going into the next. We don't have to display a name if that bothers you. Nobody has to be "fabulous" either. Please come back each month to check out the newly displayed piece and to look over 'what's happening'.

MDF OPPORTUNITIES

Offerings to the Mission Development Fund (MDF) are needed to support and complete projects such as a seminary classroom building in Nigeria, a multipurpose worship and Bible institute building in Bangladesh, and pastoral training seminars and conferences. The MDF also provides Bibles, catechisms, evangelist and pastor transportation, and support for domestic outreach projects here in the U.S. Additionally, per convention resolution, part of the funding for our Tanzania/East Africa Missionary comes from offerings to the MDF.

GREAT LAKES DELEGATE CONFERENCE – THANK YOU

A personal thank you for all the work that was done for the recent Great Lakes Delegate Conference here at Luther Memorial. Thanks to those who housed pastors and delegates, either in their own homes or by paying for motel rooms. Thanks to the Ladies who prepared and served the meals. Thanks to Rodney Kern for the help with the microphones and service work. I was told by more than one man that they were appreciative of the effort. If anyone would like to read the essays presented or would like a copy of the Coordinating Council Report, speak with Pastor Schaller.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The 2025 Summer Vacation Bible School has been scheduled for the week of August 11-15, 2025. The VBS Theme is "Incrediworld, Amazement Park, A Journey Through God's Creation.

LUTHER MEMORIAL CHURCH PICNIC

This year's Luther Memorial Church Picnic is scheduled for Sunday August 17th following worship.

SPOKESMAN/DAILY REST RENEWAL

It's time for the annual renewal of our synod publications Daily Rest and Lutheran Spokesman. The subscription to Daily Rest expires after the current issue (Volume 7.2, August 31st). The subscription to the Lutheran Spokesman expires after the June 2025 issue.

The subscription list to each of these publications is posted on the bulletin board in the entryway. Please review the list of names and if an address needs to be updated, please indicate it by crossing out the old address and entering the new. If you no longer wish to receive the publication, put an x in the delete box to the left of your name.

The cost of a yearly subscription to the Lutheran Spokesman is \$20. The cost of a yearly subscription to Daily Rest is \$15. Payments are to be placed in the offering plate and/or indicated on the envelope. Renewals and payments are due by June 30, 2025.

CLC CALL NEWS

Faith Lutheran in Manchester (St. Louis Area) MO has <u>called</u> Pastor Frank Gantt ● Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, Wisconsin has <u>called</u> Pastor Mark Tiefel, who currently serves Peace through Christ in Middleton (Madison) WI. ● Professor Joel Gullerud has been <u>called</u> to serve as principal of Immanuel Lutheran K-12 School, Mankato, MN. ● Lori Ruthenbeck has been called to teach for one year part-time at St. John's Lutheran School in Okabena, MN. Lori is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2025

The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of Luther Memorial to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. This fiscal year runs from July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025.

Amount	Received as of 6/1/25	Amount	Approximate per
Pledged 2024		Remaining	Sunday (4)
\$22,000	\$16,810.00	\$5,190.00	\$1,297.50

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts — LM Offerings 6/1/25 Attendance: 6/1 –55						
General Fund (Budgetary)	General Missions (CBP)	MDF (Missions)	Kinship (Missions)	M & I (Non-Budgetary)		
\$3,143.00*	\$125.00	\$295.00	\$50.00	\$1,050.00		
GLDC Communion Service	LM Building Fund (Non-Budgetary)					
\$258.76	\$20.00					

Total Offerings: \$4,941.76
*includes \$20 in memory of Patricia Smith.

Luther Memorial General Budget 2025

The Voters of Luther Memorial established the general budget at the Annual Meeting on January 19, 2024. All Budgetary offerings are applied to this budget. This fiscal year runs from January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025.

General	Received as	Amount	Approximate Amount (30 Sundays)
Budget	of 6/1/25	Remaining	
\$130,000.00	\$57,989.25	\$72,010.75	\$2,400.00

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READINGS FOR DEVOTIONS – JUNE 9-14, 2025

Monday – John 14:15-20 Jesus promises another Counselor, the Spirit of truth, to be with them always. The Spirit will bring them into a family relationship with Jesus and with the Father.

Tuesday – Acts 2:1-21 The sounds and sights and languages got peoples' attention, but left them baffled. To learn what it all meant, they needed the Spirit-filled preaching of Peter, who stood up with the Eleven.

Wednesday – Exodus 19:16 – 20:20 When the LORD gave the Ten Commandments to His people, both the thunder and lightning, the horn and the message left them trembling with fear. Without His mercy no one can stand.

Thursday – Joel 3:1-5 The LORD promises that a time of restoration is coming for His people, and a time of judgement is coming for all the nations and people who have opposed Him by abusing His people.

Friday – John 15:1-8 Jesus and His disciples are like a vine and its branches. As the vine produces fruit through the branches, so Christ will produce fruit through His disciples, and God the Father will be glorified.

Saturday – Acts 2:36-41 Some 3,000 people heard Peter's preaching on Pentecost and received God's gift of repentance and Baptism for the forgiveness of their sins! This was the Holy Spirit's harvest!



These devotions are produced by Pastor/Professor Emeritus Paul Schaller and sent out on a weekly basis.

Graphics in the bulletin are taken from Church Art Online via a regular legal subscription.

HYMN SHEET

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PSALM 48

- ¹Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God! His holy mountain, ² beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King. ³ Within her citadels God has made himself known as a fortress.
- ⁴ For behold, the kings assembled; they came on together. ⁵ As soon as they saw it, they were astounded; they were in panic; they took to flight. ⁶ Trembling took hold of them there, anguish as of a woman in labor. ⁷ By the east wind you shattered the ships of Tarshish.
- ⁸ As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God, which God will establish forever. *Selah*
- ⁹ We have thought on your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple. ¹⁰ As your name, O God, so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth. Your right hand is filled with righteousness. ¹¹ Let Mount Zion be glad! Let the daughters of Judah rejoice because of your judgments!
- Walk about Zion, go around her, number her towers, consider well her ramparts, go through her citadels, that you may tell the next generation that this is God, our God forever and ever. He will guide us forever. *

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

FOR AN ANSWER TO PRAYER

Almighty God, you have promised to hear the prayers of those who ask in Your Son's name, so we ask you to listen to those who have now made prayers and supplications to You; and grant that those things asked in faith according to Your will may be given that we may find relief in our necessity and in return glorify Your name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord. Amen.

FOR HUMILITY

O God, you resist the proud and give grace to the humble. Grant to us true humility, like that of Your Son Jesus Christ, that we may never be lifted up in pride and provoke Your anger, but in all lowliness be made partakers of the gifts of Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

HOW GREAT THOU ART

- 1. O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the works Thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed. Then sings my soul, my Savior-God, to Thee, 'How great Thou art! How great Thou art!' Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee, 'How great Thou art! How great Thou art!'
- 2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander, And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees; When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze, Then sings my soul, my Savior-God, to Thee, 'How great Thou art! How great Thou art!' Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee, 'How great Thou art! How great Thou art!'
- 3. And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin. Then sings my soul, my Savior-God, to Thee, 'How great Thou art! How great Thou art!' Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee, 'How great Thou art! How great Thou art!'
- 4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim: 'My God, how great Thou art!' Then sings my soul, my Savior-God, to Thee, 'How great Thou art! How great Thou art!' Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee, 'How great Thou art! How great Thou art!'

HYMN

RENEW ME, O ETERNAL LIGHT

- 1. Renew me, O eternal Light, And let my heart and soul be bright, Illumined with the light of grace That issues from Thy holy face.
- 2. Destroy in me the lust of sin, From all impureness make me clean. Oh, grant me power and strength, my God, To strive against my flesh and blood!
- 3. Create in me a new heart, Lord, That gladly I obey Thy Word And naught but what Thou wilt, desire; With such new life my soul inspire.
- 4. Grant that I only Thee may love And seek those things which are above Till I behold Thee face to face, O Light eternal, through Thy grace.

THE OFFERING HYMN

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- **↓** Holy Ghost, with power divine Cleanse this guilty heart of mine; In Thy mercy pity me, From sin's bondage set me free.
- See, to Thee I yield my heart, Shed Thy life through every part;
 A pure temple I would be, Wholly dedicate to Thee.

HYMN DEAR LORD, TO YOUR TRUE SERVANTS GIVE

- 1. Dear Lord, to Your true servants give The grace to You alone to live. Set free from sin to serve You, Lord, They go to share Your living Word, The gospel message to proclaim That all may know Your saving name.
- 2. They gladly go at Your command To spread your Word o'er sea and land. Be with them, lord, and make them strong To heal sin's ills, to right the wrong. Your rule is over wind and wave, And mighty is Your arm to save.
- 3. When all their labor seems in vain, Revive their sinking hopes again;' And when success crowns what they do, Oh, keep them humble, Lord, and true Until before Your judgment seat They lay their trophies at Your feet.

HYMN CHILDREN OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER

- 1. Children of the heavenly Father Safely in His bosom gather; Nestling bird nor star in heaven Such a refuge ne'er was given.
- 2. God His own doth tend and nourish, In His holy courts they flourish; From all evil things He spares them, In His mighty arms He bears them.
- 3. Neither life nor death shall ever From the Lord His children sever; Unto them His grace He showeth, And their sorrows all He knoweth.
- 4. Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh; His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy.