Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church

"Growing Relationships with God, Each Other, and Our Neighbors in the Way of Jesus"



Sunday, May 19, 2024, 9:00 AM



Welcome to the Lord's Table

All Christians—including visitors of all denominations— are invited to the altar to receive Holy Communion. If you prefer to remain at your seat, select a prefilled cup from a basket at the top of the ramps before the service begins.

Worshippers may come forward via the center aisle to receive communion at the altar, then return by the side aisles. Bread, wheat wafers or gluten-free wafers are offered, as is a choice of wine (lighter color, outer rings of tray) or grape juice (darker color, inner rings). Paper-towel lined baskets are provided for empty cups at the end of the first pew and at the top of the ramps. Those who are not yet communing may come forward to receive a blessing.

Children have a place here, too!

During our Sunday services, children are invited to come forward for the children's time. They may also receive communion at whatever age their adult(s) agree(s) they may. "Busy bags" are hung along the wall in the sanctuary for use during services. Books and small toys can be found on a shelf under the window behind the choir/bells tables.

Our nursery is located at the bottom of the spiral staircase in the entryway and is staffed during the Sunday AM service. A changing table is found in the bathroom near the top of the stairs, and another is located around the corner through the sanctuary door past the bell tables.

Restrooms are located in the entryway on either side (mirrored cubes).

Note: our Sunday service is livestreamed, and some worshippers may be seen in the broadcast.

Those seated behind the ramps will not be seen on camera.

GATHERING SONG

ACS 944

"O Spirit All Embracing"



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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN'S SERMON



SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 2: 1-21

A reading from Acts:

When 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.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

God's story, our story. **Thanks be to God.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Galatians 3:26-29

A reading from Galatians:

²⁶for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

God's story, our story. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: Pastor Sheila Rawn

HYMN OF THE DAY "Spirit of Gentleness" ELW 396

WELCOME STATEMENT

We are called by Jesus to love God and one another, to practice generous hospitality, and to serve all unconditionally. We fully welcome you to join us, embracing your race, culture, ethnicity, age, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical abilities, mental abilities, socioeconomic position, family status, background, and wherever you are in your faith journey. You are a unique and beloved child of God and are welcome here. You are accepted and openly affirmed just as you are. We commit ourselves to undertaking the work of racial equality and social and economic justice. We invite you to join us as we joyfully and inclusively love and serve God and our community, as we are all one in Christ Jesus.

SONG FOR PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

"Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading" ELW 401 (sing once before prayer)

Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading, fashion us all anew. It's your leading that we're needing, help us to follow you.

(sing once after prayer)

Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come. Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.

PFACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERTORY

Use the QR code to reach our online giving page:

HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

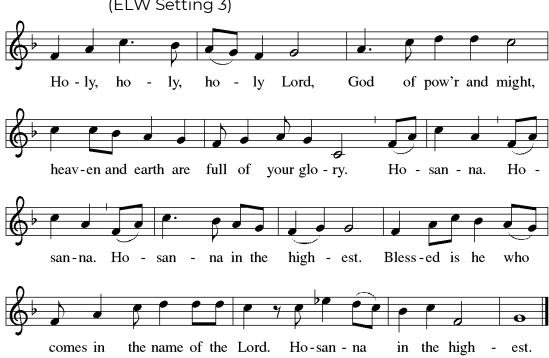
Lift up your hearts.

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 and join their unending hymn:

(ELW Setting 3)



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,

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.

INVITATION

DISTRIBUTION (see inside of bulletin cover for communion instructions)



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE/SPIRITUAL DIRECTION TEMPLE TALK

Brenda Booker

BLESSING

The Lord Bless you and Keep you. The Lord's Face Shine upon you with Grace and Mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace

Amen.

SENDING SONG "God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind" ELW 400

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Today's Worship Leaders

Preacher: Pastor Sheila Rawn

Musician: Michael Becker; Minister of Music: Dimitri Shapovalov

Sun. Greeter: Jim Broetzmann

Sat. Reader: One needed; Sun. Reader: Karen Magee

Sun. Communion assistant: Three Needed

Sun. Usher: Garrett Meader; Acolyte: One Needed

Video Producer: Becky Litwin

(please see worship leader board for assistants needed)

Scan QR code with your phone or call the church office to sign up to be a worship leader next week



Worship Leaders for 5/25 & 5/26:

Preacher: Pastor Sheila Rawn

Musician: Michael Becker; Minister of Music: Dimitri Shapovalov

Sun. Greeter: Chris Corcoran

Sat. Reader: One needed; Sun. Reader: One needed

Sun. Communion assistant: Three Needed

Acolyte: One Needed

Video Producer: Chris Ryshkus

(please see worship leader board for assistants needed)

THIS WEEK AT MPLC: May 19 - May 26

Sunday, May 19

9:00 AM Worship (Sanctuary)

10:00 AM Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)4:00 PM Open Table (Fellowship)

Monday, May 20

10:30 AM: Doris Cecchini Funeral

5:30 PM: Parish Activities Committee (Mygatts) 6:30 PM: Congregational Council (Mygatts)

Tuesday, May 21

11:00 AM Chair Yoga (Mygatts)

6:00 PM Outdoor Yoga (MPLC Lawn)

Wednesday, May 22

11:00 AM Wed. AM Bible Study (Mygatts)

Saturday, May 25

5:00 PM Worship (Sanctuary)

(Note time change)

Sunday, May 26

9:00 AM Worship (Sanctuary)

10:00 AM Coffee Hour (Fellowship Hall)

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