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May 19, 2024 | 8:30 Day of Pentecost

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ELW – red hymnal | ACS – purple hymnal

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GATHERING

Prelude & Welcome to Worship

Thanksgiving Holy Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy. **Amen.**

Look, here is water! Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism ... your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water! Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized ... of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

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Gathering Hymn ACS #1055 | Ask the Complicated Questions (end of bulletin)

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

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, 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.

WORD

Young People's Message | Pastor Becky Goche

Lessons | Acts 2:1-21, Romans 8:22-27 Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God**.



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

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

The holy gospel according to John... Glory to You, O Lord.

[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.

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."

The Gospel of our Lord. Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon | Pastor Becky Goche

Hymn of the Day ELW #396 | Spirit of Gentleness (end of bulletin)

Blessing on the 25th Anniversary of Seekers | Reflection by Janet Melby

Prayers of Intercession

God of grace, hear our prayer.

Into your hands ... through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

MEAL

Offering

Offering Prayer

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

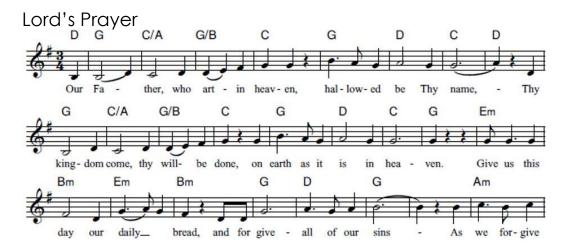
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise. It is indeed right, our duty ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Words of Institution

During the Words of Institution, we invite you to raise the bread and the cup respectively as the pastor does. In this way, we are church together. 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.

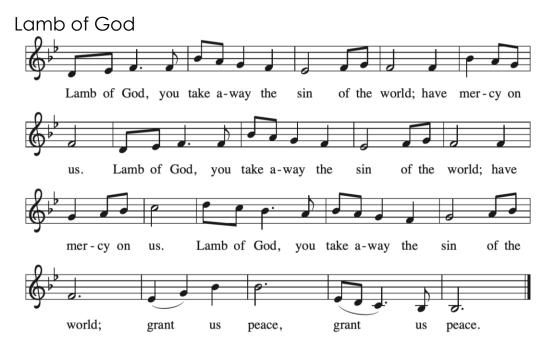




Invitation & Distribution of Communion

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of bread. Come and eat at God's table.

This is the body of Christ, given for you. This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.



Communion Hymns (last pages of bulletin)

ELW #759 My Faith Looks Up to Thee | ELW #459 Wade in the Water

Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Prayer After Communion

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

Benediction/Blessing Alleluia! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope bless you now and always. **Amen.**

Sending Song ELW #400 | God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind (last pages of bulletin)

Dismissal & Postlude

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad. Thanks be to God.

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WORSHIP SERVICES | Saturdays at 5:00pm, Sundays at 9:30am (beginning Memorial Day wkd). STAFFED NURSERY | Available on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES | School year at 9:45am on Sundays, throughout the week for all ages.

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HENGRY offerings in May are designated by our PreK/Kindergarten class for Ho-Chunk Nation Youth Services, La Crosse. Their mission is to empower youth with the knowledge and skills necessary to make them health, productive, substance free, and responsible leaders of tomorrow. They will develop problem solving, communication, academic, and basic life skills. They will recapture, maintain and preserve the Hocąk Language and culture for future generations.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT: In Christ, we welcome, worship and work in the world.

OUR WELCOME STATEMENT: The faith community of English Lutheran Church is rooted in Christ and committed to living life generously.

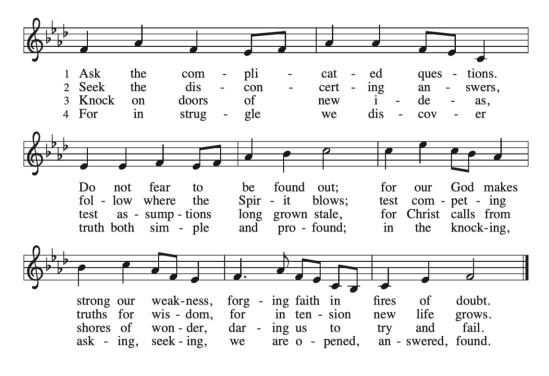
We celebrate diversity of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, economic status, marital status, physical or mental ability.

We are united in the Holy Spirit as we embrace our differences. We welcome all as we strive to be a community equipped for God's mission in the world.

We invite you to join us as we seek to promote racial equity, social and economic justice, and care for our environment.

Wherever you are on your faith journey, there is a place for you here.

Ask the Complicated Questions



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My Faith Looks Up to Thee





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God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind



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