

DAY OF PENTECOST



Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church
Peachtree City, Georgia
June 8, 2025 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

Fritz Wiese, Senior Pastor Wes Smith, Pastor
Larry Peterson, Director of Worship and Music

☐ = Pastor ☒ = Lector [reader] ☑ = Congregation ELW=Evangelical Lutheran Worship (red hymnal)
⬆ Please stand as you are able.

*The prelude is the beginning of the worship service and is a time to prepare our hearts and minds for worship.
Please be respectful of the worshippers around you who are using this time for that purpose.*

PRELUDE

Welcome to worship! Today's worship includes the sacrament of communion. Communion is offered by intinction. You may receive a wafer and dip it in the chalice with wine or white grape juice. Or you may take a pre-packaged kit with grape juice and a gluten-free wafer from the center communion server. Please tell an usher if you need communion brought to you where you sit.

- ☐ Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
☑ Christ is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

⬆ EXCHANGING THE PEACE

- ☐ The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always.
☑ And also with you.
We share a sign of God's peace.

⬆ GATHERING HYMN: *God Is Here!*

ELW Hymn 526

- 1 God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.
- 2 Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;
here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,
here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.
- 3 Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.
- 4 Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt,
keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive;
we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

↑ 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.

↑ HYMN OF PRAISE: *This is the Feast*

ELW pg. 140

Refrain-This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. *to Refrain*

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. *to Refrain*

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. *to Refrain*

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. *to Refrain*

↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

- ☞ Let us pray. God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
 ☞ Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 2:1-21

see insert

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SECOND READING Romans 8:14-17

see insert

↑ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: (8:30) *Holy Spirit, Truth Divine*

ELW Hymn 398, sts. 1 & 2

(11:00) Creator Spirit, Carolyn Jennings

Sanctuary Choir

↑ GOSPEL: John 14:8-17

see insert

11:00-Children may go to Children's Chapel

SERMON

Pastor Wes

↑ HYMN OF THE DAY: *Spirit of Gentleness*

ELW Hymn 396

Refrain-Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;
 Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

- 1 You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
 then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
 and over the eons you called to each thing:
 "Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." *Refrain*
- 2 You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,
 and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
 and when they were blinded with idols and lies,
 then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. *Refrain*
- 3 You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
 then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
 and down in the city you called once again,
 when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. *Refrain*
- 4 You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.
 From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;
 our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
 With bold new decisions your people arise. *Refrain*

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↑ OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

P Let us profess our baptismal faith together.

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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.

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. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

When the petition concludes "Hear us, O God," please respond, "Your mercy is great."

The prayers are ended with these words, "We commend these and all our prayers ... in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior." Please respond, "Amen."

INVITATION TO OFFERING

We now dedicate the financial gifts we offer to the Lord and the Lord's agenda, gifts either already given online, or before or after the service in the offering box. Likewise, we prayerfully consider the ways we offer ourselves to God's kingdom throughout the whole week.

Link to give: <https://coslutheran.org/give/>



MUSICAL OFFERING (11:00) *If Ye Love Me, Thomas Tallis*

Sanctuary Choir

↑ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

—ELW page 144

↑ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

↑ THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Please approach the altar using the diagonal aisles and return by the side or middle aisles.

You will be offered a wafer, which you may dip in either the chalice of wine or the white grape juice.

You may also choose a packaged cup with wine or grape juice, or a gluten-free wafer with wine.

C Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace. —ELW page 146

COMMUNION HYMN: *Come, Holy Spirit, Descend*

ACS Hymn 980

Come, Holy Spirit, descend on us, descend on us.
We gather here in Jesus' name.

Additional verses:

Come, Breath of heaven, . . .

Come to unite us, . . .

Come, Word of mercy, . . .

Come to disturb us, . . .

Come, Fire of judgment, . . .

Come to inspire us, . . .

Come, great Creator, . . .

↑ POST-COMMUNION BLESSING and PRAYER

P Let us pray. Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us.
Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory,
and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

C Amen.

↑ BLESSING

P The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come,
Sovereign, ✚ Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

C Amen.

↑ SENDING HYMN: *God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind*

ELW Hymn 400

- 1** God of tempest, God of whirlwind, as on Pentecost descend!
Drive us out from sheltered comfort; past these walls your people send!
Sweep us into costly service, there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
- 2** God of blazing, God of burning, all that blocks your purpose, purge!
Through your church, Christ's living Body, let your flaming Spirit surge!
Where deceit conceals injustice, kindle us to speak your truth, kindle us to speak your truth!
- 3** God of earthquake, God of thunder, shake us loose from lethargy!
Break the chains of sin asunder, for earth's healing set us free!
Crumble walls that still divide us; make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
- 4** God of passion, God unsleeping, stir in us love's restlessness!
Where the people cry in anguish, may we share your heart's distress.
Rouse us from content with evil; claim us for your kingdom's work, claim us for your kingdom's work!

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↑ SENDING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

P Invite all to join in connecting to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.

C Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

↑ POSTLUDE

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Altar Guild: Susie Lucsko

Assisting Minister: (8:30) Delee Rehak (11:00)

*Communion servers: (8:30) Sue & Bob Blackburn, Shelly Jones & Betty Schmidt
(11:00) Eileen Conrad, Vickie Dauenhauer, Patrick Bauer*

Lector: (8:30) Pat Ronco (11:00) Marty Hagberg

Tech crew: (8:30) Davida Kilgore, Brad Milburn

(11:00) Carol Jensen-Linton, Brad Milburn, Kendra Campbell-Milburn

Usher: (8:30) Jim Basinger, Bob Spruck (11:00) Mike & Pat Oliver

Altar flowers given by Judy Owen in memory of Robert "Bob" Joseph Owen

THE LESSONS

Sunday, June 8

FIRST READING Acts 2:1-21

📖 The 1st reading is from Acts, the 2nd chapter.

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?”

⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, 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, both Jews and proselytes,

¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.”

¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴ But 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. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, 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.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’ ”

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Romans 8:14-17

📖 The 2nd reading is from Romans, the 8th chapter.

¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!”

¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God

Gospel is on the back.

GOSPEL: John 14:8-17

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 14th chapter. **G** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?” ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

P The Gospel of the Lord. **G** **Praise to you, O Christ.**