

Day of Pentecost Augustana Lutheran Church June 8, 2025

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Prelude

Pastor Chuck Meyer

GATHERING

Announcements

Announcement of the Day

On Pentecost, we celebrate that we have been given an Advocate to accompany us. Poured out in wind and fire, water, wine, and bread, the Holy Spirit abides in and among us. We give thanks that God speaks to each of us, no matter our origins, language, or life path. Filled with the Spirit of truth, we go out from worship to proclaim the saving power of Christ's love and the freedom of God's grace with all the world.

*Opening Hymn

"Spirit of Gentleness" #396 v.1,2,3

*Confession and Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

***Kyrie** (p.184)

*Prayer of the Day

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.

WORD

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, amid signs of fire, wind, and a variety of languages, the people were amazed and astonished at Jesus' promise coming true.

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. 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.

⁵Now 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.

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.'"

Response to the Reading

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17

Here Paul speaks about the mystery of baptism: through the Holy Spirit we are claimed, gathered, and welcomed into Christ's body, the church. And we receive a new name in our adoption: child of God.

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.

Response to the Reading

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation (p.188)

*Gospel Announcement and Spoken Response

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

*Gospel: John 14:8-17

Though the disciples struggle with Jesus' nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God's mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promises the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.

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.

*Spoken Gospel Response

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Children's Sermon

Sermon Pastor Chuck Meyer

Silence for reflection.

*Hymn of the Day "O Holy Spirit, Root of Life" #399

*Apostles' Creed

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 Intercession —

We pray for: Jeanne Alingh; Lily Bodammer; Jackson Bullock; Ginny Ericson; Dan Graben; Josh Harry; Terry Heck; Con Heider; Fred Hexom; Dennis Holton; Lois Irwin; Steve Kolker; Theresa Krusko; Marlene Levine; Erika McCarthy; Becky Moos; Candy Noonan-Johnson; Tom Peterson; Clyde Robinson; Dan Robinson; Linda Roth; Shelly Schossow; Dick Sea; Lori Shannon; Marge Swanson; Amy Swenson; Tony Warstorm; and those affected by disasters and diseases throughout the world. Let us pray for all of the caregivers that give of their time and gentle care for those who are ill.

We also pray for the families of the church: Kevin, Beth, and Ben Schwaderer; Tara Schwaderer; Darold Sea; Doug Sea; Marty, Aubrey, Mallory, and Steffi Sea; Virginia Sewalson.

A: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

*Sharing of the Peace

OFFERING

*Offering Prayer

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring.

Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. **Amen.**

MEAL

- *Great Thanksgiving (p.190)
- *Proper Preface
- *Sanctus (p.190)
- *Words of Institution
- *Lord's Prayer (p.191)

P: Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

*Invitation to Holy Communion

P: Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Lamb of God (p.191)

Distribution—We believe that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the Supper of our Lord, in the forms of bread and wine. We also believe that admission to the sacrament is by invitation of the Lord, presented through the Church to those who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. All are welcome to partake in the Lord's Supper at Augustana Lutheran Church. Receive the bread in your hands. <u>Gluten free hosts are available if you prefer.</u> The wine will be served in a small glass. <u>Grape juice is available if you prefer.</u> Those who do not partake of Holy Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Distribution Hymns

Robyn Levine playing on flute: "Here I Am to Worship" by Tim Hughes "You Are My All in All" by Dennis Jernigan

*Post-Communion Blessing

P: The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

*Post-Communion Prayer

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.

Amen.

SENDING

*Blessing

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.

Amen.

*Closing Hymn

"Spirit of Gentleness" #396 v.4

*Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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GOD'S LOVE MADE REAL!

<u>Today, Sunday, June 8 Worship Leaders</u>—Presiding Minister: Pastor Chuck Meyer; Assisting Minister: Susie Strohbeen; Musicians: Pastor Chuck Meyer, Robyn Levine; Technical Assistant: Team Levine; Altar Guild: Susie Strohbeen; Acolyte: Tyler Welp

<u>Sunday, June 15 Worship Leaders</u>—Presiding Minister: Pastor Chuck Meyer; Assisting Minister: Shelley Hexom; Musician: AWE Musicians; Technical Assistant: Team Hexom; Altar Guild: Christi Bullock; Acolyte: Elie Iversen

Attendance for Sunday, June 1—56

June Benevolence—We have just celebrated Memorial day to commemorate all of our fallen military members. In June we at Augustana are remembering that there are many active military members from our community who become deployed during the year. Many for extended periods. We will collect items for Care Packages for them and food items for the food pantry serving those left home and Veterans who need a little help. Individual sized snacks and personal care items are best for the Care Packages. All non perishable food items are appropriate for the food pantry.

<u>Century II Potluck</u>—The Century II Potluck took place last Sunday. Over 45 residents were served. Thank you to everyone who helped with set up, serving, clean up, and providing dishes. God's Love Made Real!

Evening of Thanksgiving—The Western Iowa Synod invites you to an Evening of Thanksgiving for the ministry of Bishop Lorna H. Halaas. Join us Thursday, June 12, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mark Lutheran Church in Sioux City. There will be dinner and dessert along with stories celebrating the past twelve years. Please RSVP by May 30 to cstmarkoffice@gmail.com or call 712-276-2418. Tickets are \$20 per person, payable at the door. If you are unable to attend but would like to send a greeting, please mail it to St. Mark Lutheran Church, 5200 Glenn Avenue, Sioux City IA 51106.

<u>VBS</u>—Vacation Bible School is coming up June 23-26! Pastor Chuck is going to be leading the snack and Bible study portion of the evenings and is looking for help getting some supplies. If you are able to help buy some of these items, Pastor and the kids would greatly appreciate it: fruit ring cereal (think Fruit Loops); graham crackers; white frosting; sprinkles, M&Ms, Skittles, and other small candies; Townhouse-style crackers; potato sticks. Please bring them to the church by Sunday, June 15, if you can help. Thank you!

<u>Fiddler on the Roof</u>—The Iversen family will be taking part in the Fiddler on the Roof Show at the Sioux City Community Theatre! June 13th -29th, shows at 7pm. Sunday Matinees at 2pm.

<u>Special Congregational Meeting and Vote</u>—Please note that we are holding a Special Congregational Meeting and vote on June 22, at about 11am following the worship service. This meeting will be for final discussion, then voting on the recommendation by the Congregation Council to enter into a Multi-Point Parish agreement with St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church.

This week at Augustana

Sunday, June 8, 2025 10:00am Holy Communion 2:00pm Magic Club Tuesday, June 10, 2025 6:45pm Council Next week at Augustana Sunday, June 15, 2025 10:00am Holy Communion

Welcome to all visitors; we've been expecting you! Please worship with us regularly! If you are looking for a church home and would like to attend a new member class, please check the appropriate box on the Fellowship Register as you sign in. The register can be found in three places in the narthex as you enter the nave. Please sign it and check the appropriate boxes.

There are several ways to find out more about Augustana! Copies of the *Trumpeter*, Augustana's monthly newsletter, are available in the entryway for visitors. Look for us on the web at www.augustanasc.org. Check us out on Facebook! Augustana Lutheran, Sioux City is the name of our page.

Congregational Mission Statement

A welcoming, caring congregation offering opportunities for worship, spiritual growth, and fellowship.

We express our faith and love to others in the name of Jesus Christ.