

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

**Pentecost Sunday**

**June 5, 2022**

**10:00am**



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**It is the Mission of Tabor Evangelical Lutheran Church to be:  
A blessed community in Christ that warmly welcomes people,  
across their lifespans, to worship and serve in varied and diverse ways,  
enthusiastically responding to God's call.**

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+ WE GATHER TOGETHER +

*Welcome Visitors! We are delighted you are with us today!*

*If you are visiting with family or friends, we pray that your time together is filled with joy & love. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to become part of our community of faith here at Tabor.*

*We prepare our hearts & minds for worship as we listen to the Prelude.*

**Prelude**                      *Spirit of the Living God, arr. Ted Smith*                      *Public Domain*

**Words of Welcome**

*Welcome to all who worship today!*

*May our fellowship with Christ & with one another – listening to God’s living Word, singing and praying and sharing the Holy Meal - all be blessed by God.*

*Please stand, as you are able.*

**Call to Worship**

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| P. Like a rush of a strong wind...                               | <b>C. Come, Holy Spirit!</b>   |
| P. God’s presence within and among us...                         | <b>C. Come, Holy Spirit!</b>   |
| P. Opening our minds to God’s Word...                            | <b>C. Come, Holy Spirit!</b>   |
| P. Lighting our hearts on fire...                                | <b>C. Come, Holy Spirit!</b>   |
| P. Inspiring us to use our God-given gifts                       | <b>C. Come, Holy Spirit!</b>   |
| P. Calling us into the world!                                    | <b>C. Come, Holy Spirit!</b>   |
| P. <i>Let us pray...</i>   |  |
| God of fire, your Spirit rushes in and sweeps us up in its wake. |  |
| <b>C.</b>  | <b>Send us forth in the fire of your inspiration,<br/>to light up the world with our witness<br/>to your unconditional love. Amen.</b> |

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1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the chal - lenge of her  
2 To the mem - bers of Christ's bod - y, to the branch - es of the  
3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the cease - less voice of



flight, like the vig - or of the wind's rush, like the  
vine, to the church in faith as - sem - bled, to our  
prayer, with the pow'r to love and wit - ness, with the



new flame's ea - ger might: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.  
midst as gift and sign: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.  
peace be - yond com - pare: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

## Greeting

- P. May 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.**
- P. As we gather this morning to worship as God's Church –  
Christ's body on earth - may we be filled with the Holy Spirit,  
and allow ourselves to be inspired and transformed to be the  
people God has called us to be in this time and place.
- C. **Amen.**

## Prayer of the Day

- P. Let us pray. God of great missions ...  
We gather this day and we come as we are, each of us at a different place in our  
faith journey.
- C. **Meet us where we are and give us the language to proclaim your gospel. Lead  
us forward to the great mission you have for us. Amen.**

## Announcements

+ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD +

**Reading**

**Acts 2:1-12**

When the day of Pentecost had come, the apostles were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

All were amazed and perplexed, saying "What does this mean?"

Word of God.

**C. Word of Life.**

**Psalm 104:27-34, 35b**

*The Psalm is read responsively; congregation reads the **bold** verses.*

**All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.**

You give it to them; they gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

**When you hide your face, they are terrified;**

**when you take away their breath,**

**they die and return to their dust.**

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;

and so you renew the face of the earth.

**May the glory of the LORD endure forever;**

**O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**

You look at the earth and it trembles;

you touch the mountains and they smoke.

**I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;**

**I will praise my God while I have my being.**

May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.

**Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!**

*Please stand, as you are able.*

**The Holy Gospel according to John.**

**John 14:8-11, 25-27**

Philip said to Jesus, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” 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’? 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. 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.

If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. 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.

I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

+ WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD +

**Sermon ~ *Pastor Maria Hammons***





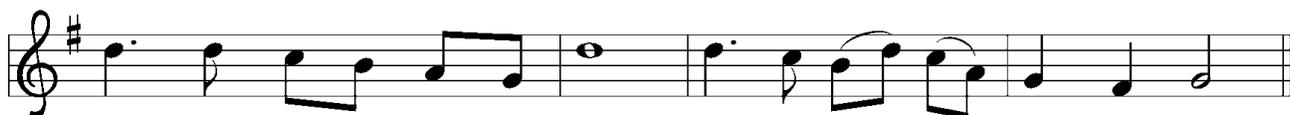
1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl - wind, as on Pen - te -  
 2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your  
 3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from  
 4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;  
 pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,  
 leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,  
 rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,  
 let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,  
 for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;  
 may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!  
 kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!  
 make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!  
 claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

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**Apostles' Creed** *Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's 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,  
 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 life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Prayers of Intercession**

*(Petitions marked "W" for worshipper may be read by anyone who feels moved by the Spirit.)*

AM. Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

*The congregation may kneel or sit during the prayers.*

W. God of all ... We call on your Spirit of unity to unify all people of faith. We give thanks for our different vocations and ways of worship. May the Spirit inspire us to utilize the diverse gifts you have given to your church to reveal your love for all people, all nations, all creation. Give us courage to speak out when we see injustice and evil, and equip us to advocate for those whose voices need our support. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

W. God of all nations ... we call on your Spirit of righteousness. Where we are divided, unite us. When we are prideful, humble us. Give us a heart for justice and empathy for the suffering of others. We pray for our nation and the sins that bind us and keep us from being the people you intend us to be. Plant in us a spirit of openness, hope and healing. Remind us that all people are created in your image. Help us to behold one another as you behold us, and work for peace and justice for all. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

W. God of all nations ... We pray for our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land, the people of Israel and Palestine. We pray for the people of Ukraine who long for peace and freedom. We pray for the end of violence, and especially for the families of those who died in Uvalde Texas, in Buffalo & California. God of peace - help us find a way to reconciliation and peace in our time. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

W. God of life, your creative works are too numerous to count. The earth is

full of your creatures, living things - both great and small. Open your hand and give them the necessities of this life. Send your renewing Spirit over the face of the earth. Inspire us to care deeply for all of your creation. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

AM. God of compassion, you befriend those who are sick or suffering, poor or outcast. Grant healing to all in need. Help us to not be so fatigued from the brokenness in our world, that we become numb to the pain of those who are suffering. We pray all who face terminal illness or chronic disease, for those who struggle with addiction, anxiety or depression, for those close to death and for those who are grieving. We lift up those close to the hearts of our Tabor family – for those on our prayer list, Austin, Tim, Bob & Betty, Susan, Ruth, Carl, Joan, Donielle, Lynne, Bob, Cathyann, Bryan, Nancy, Lindsey, Bertie, Iris, Tom, Carol, Chet, Cody, Alexander, Ben, and Patrick. For the family and friends of Harry Smith, brother-in-law of Bob Dolan, who died suddenly of an aneurysm. We keep Harry's wife - Linda Dolan Smith - their children, and all the family in our prayers and for those in our hearts or on our lips – (*a time of silence is kept*). In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

W. Loving God, you have given our Tabor faith community all the gifts we need to move forward in hope and faith. Encourage us to use our spiritual gifts and all of our resources to build up your church and serve in your world. Inspire us to do the work we need to do, trusting it will lead us to new possibilities. Help us embrace the opportunities you place before us. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

W. Saving God, your wonderful promise is the gift of eternal life through Jesus. In the witness of those who have died in you, strengthen us now in this gift of life. We cherish the memory of your saints and look to the day that we will be reunited with those we love. In your great mercy...

**C. hear our prayer.**

AM. In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C. Amen.**

### **The Peace**

*As we await the day when it will be safe to embrace one another,  
we offer each other a sign of God's perfect peace... God's shalom.*

P. The peace of Christ be with you all.

C. **And also with you.**



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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
we await Christ's coming in glory.  
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord.

**C. Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**      *Let us pray in the words that Jesus taught us.*

**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 Communion**

P. Our risen Christ gives everyone a place at the welcome table.  
Come to the feast. All are welcome!

P. Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest, and let these gifts to us be blessed.

**C. Blessed be God, who is our Bread; may all the world be clothed and fed.  
Amen.**

*Together, we receive the Holy Meal.  
The Body and Blood of Christ, given for you.*

## Communion Music

## Spirit of Gentleness

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*Refrain*



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;  
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;  
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;  
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:  
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,  
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,  
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



*Refrain*

“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”  
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.  
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.  
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

## Post-Communion Blessing

P. May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, bless you  
and keep you in his grace.

C. Amen.

## Communion Prayer

AM. *Let us pray...*

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people.

C. **Now send us forth in the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming Word and serve as witnesses to your love and faithfulness. Amen.**

+ WE ARE SENT TO SERVE +

## Blessing

P. May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you.  
May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C. **Amen.**

## Sending Hymn

### *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling*

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1 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er dwell-ing in the ho-liest realms of light;  
2 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er liv-ing as the church's ver-y life;  
3 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er work-ing through the church's min-is-try;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er brood-ing o'er a world of gloom and night;  
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er striv-ing through us in a cease-less strife;  
quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab-solv-ing, set-ting cap-tive sin-ners free;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er rais-ing those of earth to thrones on high;  
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er form-ing in the church the mind of Christ:  
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev-er bind-ing age to age and soul to soul



liv-ing, life-im-part-ing Spir-it, you we praise and mag-ni-fy.  
you we praise with end-less wor-ship for your gifts and fruits un-priced.  
in com-mu-nion nev-er end-ing, you we wor-ship and ex-tol.

## Dismissal

- P. God has poured the Holy Spirit into our hearts.  
Strengthened for the journey we go forward in hope...
- C. **Witnessing to God's love, serving in God's name.**

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### **New Members Affirmation of Baptism - Sunday, June 26th**

Interested in becoming a member of Tabor Lutheran? Then join us on Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, for an Affirmation of Baptism during our worship service. Whether you're new to Tabor or have been here for years but never "made it official" – you are welcome to participate.

So why become a "*member*"? There's really one main difference between being a faithful, active parishioner and being a faithful, active parishioner who is also an "official member" – the ability to vote at congregational meetings on budgets, on council members – and this year, especially, on calling your new pastor. A very important vote to be able to cast.

So think about it ... and let Dawn or me know if you would like to participate on June 26th (just happens to be the day of our annual meeting, as well - so you'll be able to vote!). Blessings! Pastor Maria

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### **Assisting with Worship Today**

Ushers	Need Volunteers
Lector	Bob Dolan
Assisting Minister	Lori Linsley
Song Leader	Lori Linsley
Musician	Chuck Stack
Presider/Preacher	Rev. Maria Hammons

### **Assisting with Worship next Sunday, June 12, 2022**

Ushers	Need Volunteers
Lector	Need Volunteer
Assisting Minister	Lori Linsley
Musician	Chuck Stack
Presider/Preacher	Rev. Maria Hammons

# Tabor Lutheran Church Summer Schedule 2022

## Summer Worship Schedule



### We begin Outdoor Worship!

Please note: Outdoor Worship will be from June 5<sup>th</sup> to September 11<sup>th</sup>.  
Please bring a lawn chair. We also have metal folding chairs available.

If there is inclement weather, the service will be held in the Sanctuary. A decision will be made the day before by noon and the congregation will be notified by email. Services will also be livestreamed and recorded for later viewing.

- June 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00am **PENTECOST SUNDAY (Wear Red)**
- June 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Congregation Transition Meeting & Picnic Pot Luck
- June 19<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Ecumenical Worship Service & Cook-out at Killam's Point  
*(No Service at Tabor this Sunday)*
- June 26<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Congregational Annual Meeting follows Worship
  
- July 3<sup>rd</sup> 10:00 a.m. Worship & Patriotic Hymn Sing
- July 10<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Worship
- July 17<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Worship & Youth Work Camp Presentation
- July 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Prayer Service led by Calli Micale
- July 31<sup>st</sup> 10:00 a.m. Prayer Service led by Heather
  
- Aug 7<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Worship
- Aug 14<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Worship
- Aug 21<sup>st</sup> 10:00 a.m. Worship
- Aug 28<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Prayer Service led by Calli Micale
  
- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. Worship
- Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. **Homecoming Sunday!** Worship & Special Transition meeting & meal

### Additional Meetings and Special Events:

**CAT Interpretation – Pastor Sara J. Anderson, NE Synod Associate to the Bishop**

May 31<sup>st</sup> 6:30 p.m. on ZOOM      Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82537109628?pwd=dVRQS0xSZFJuQVV4cGNkTWt2N0Fjdz09>

**Tabor Preschool Graduation**      June 3<sup>rd</sup> 10:00 a.m. in Tabor Sanctuary



*The flowers on the altar today are given in celebration of the wedding anniversary of Robert and Ruth Davis*

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

**June 5, 2022 – June 12, 2022**

<b>Sunday, June 5, 2022</b> 10:00 a.m.	<b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b> Worship Service	<b>Church Lawn</b>
<b>Monday, June 6, 2022</b> 9am – 12p 9am – 4pm	<b>Preschool Summer Camp</b> Office Hours	<b>Education Wing</b> <b>Office</b>
<b>Tuesday June 7, 2022</b> 9am-12pm	<b>Preschool Summer Camp</b>	<b>Education Wing</b>
<b>Wednesday, June 8, 2022</b> 9am-12pm 9 a.m.-12pm	<b>Preschool Summer Camp</b> Office Hours	<b>Education Wing</b> <b>Church Office</b>
<b>Thursday, June 9, 2022</b> 9am-12pm	<b>Preschool Summer Camp</b>	<b>Education Wing</b>
<b>Friday, June 10, 2022</b> 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	<b>Office Hours</b>	<b>Church Office</b>
<b>Saturday, June 11, 2022</b>		
<b>Sunday, June 12, 2022</b> 10:00 a m 11:00 am	<b>TRINITY SUNDAY</b> Worship Service Congregational Meeting/Pot Luck Picnic	<b>Church Lawn</b>

**The flower chart has several openings this Summer. Please choose a Sunday you would like to provide flowers for our altar. Dedicate them to the honor or memory of a loved one or a special occasion.**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4aa5ab2eaaf58-altar>

