HOLY COMMUNION Pentecost

June 8, 2025

8:00 & 10:30 AM

INTRODUCTION TO 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.

SILENT PRAYER

PRELUDE: Joysong

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING (ENTRANCE RITE)

Stand

HYMN: God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind Printed on the next page. C. Cooman

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind



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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ABSOLUTION)

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

- In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** 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.

G Amen.

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

Kneel/Stand

P Most merciful God,

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. 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.

G Amen.

Stand

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.





PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as you sent upon the disciples the promised gift of the Holy Spirit, look upon your Church and open our hearts to the power of the Spirit. Kindle in us the fire of your love, and strengthen our lives for service in your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

FIRST READING

Sit

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Genesis 11:1-9

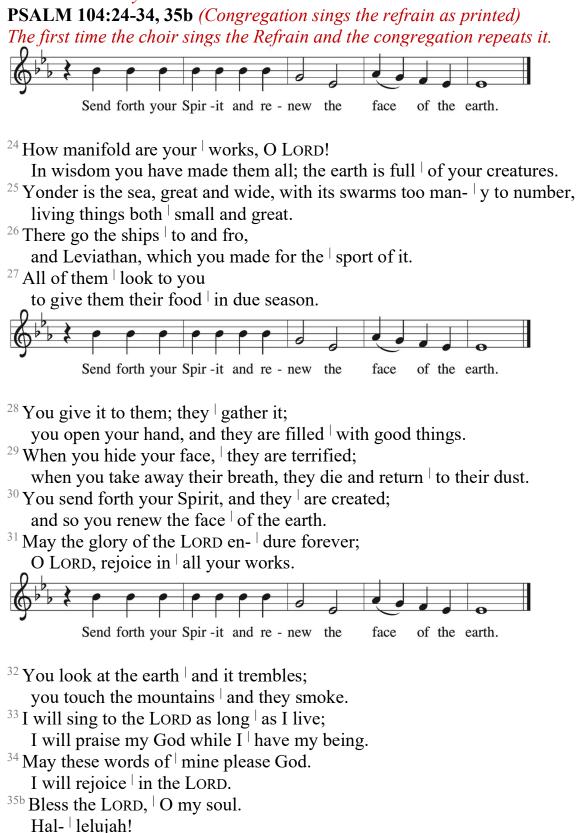
The builders of the tower of Babel try to make a name for themselves by building their tower to the heavens. God scatters them, confusing their language so that they cannot understand one another. The miracle at Pentecost is a reversal of sorts, drawing many people with many languages together into the new people of God.

A reading from Genesis.

¹ Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." ⁵ The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the LORD said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸ So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

- A The word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.







Psalm 104:30

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SECOND READING

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.

A reading from Acts.

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.

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."

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,

Acts 2:1-21

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.' "

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The congregation sings the Acclamation.



The choir sings the Verse.



Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your | faithful people; set them on fire | with your love.

The congregation repeats the Acclamation.



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.

P The holy gospel according to John.

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.

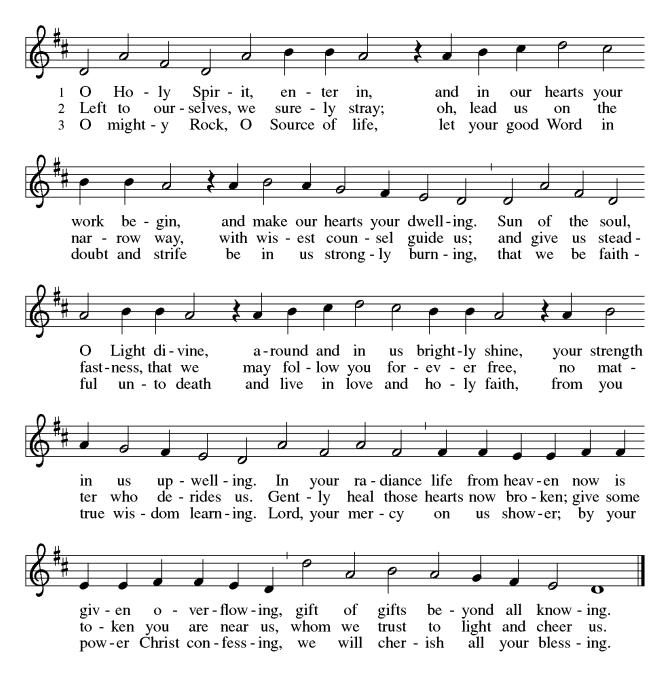
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Pastor Weleck

Stand

HYMN OF THE DAY: *O Holy Spirit, Enter In Printed on the next page.*

O Holy Spirit, Enter In



Earlier service only.

The Nicene Creed is appropriate during Advent, Christmas, Easter, and on festival days; the Apostles' Creed during Lent and at other times.

NICENE CREED

- **P** With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
- **G** We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge

the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen. Later service only.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM (CONFIRMATION)

PRESENTATION

A sponsor or another representative of the congregation presents those making affirmation.

I present Liam Louis DePaul, Colin Matthew Smith, and Nina Serafin DiDomenico, who desire to make public affirmation of their baptism.

The presiding minister may continue with prayer.

P Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you for these brothers and sister, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

C Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism. The assembly may stand and join in the responses.

- I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.
- **P** Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Response:

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response:

I renounce them.

D you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response:

I renounce them.

The presiding minister addresses the candidates and the assembly.

- **D** you believe in God the Father?
- **G** I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

- **P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- 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 into hell.
 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.
- **P** Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
- 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.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism.

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Each person responds:

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

The minister addresses the assembly.

- P People of God, do you promise to support these persons and pray for them in their life in Christ?
- We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Those making affirmation may kneel. The presiding minister prays for God's blessing.

P Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

The blessing may be repeated for each person. The minister may lay both hands on the head of the person and say:

- Father in heaven, for Jesus' sake, stir up in Liam/Colin/Nina the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm his/her faith, guide his/her life, empower him/her in his serving, give him/her patience in suffering, and bring him/her to everlasting life.
- **G** Amen.

Those making public affirmation stand and face the assembly. A representative of the congregation addresses the assembly.

- **A** Let us rejoice with these brothers and sister in Christ.
- We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.
 Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

A hymn, song, or psalm may be sung, and may be accompanied by a reminder of baptism. The service then continues with the PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

A We pray for the church, for its pastors and other ministers, for the newly baptized, for all the faithful, for this congregation here gathered, and for our growth in grace.

Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray for all nations, for all rulers, legislators, and judges, for an increase of justice in our lands, and for all who work for peace among nations and among peoples.

Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A We pray for all in any need, for the hungry and the homeless, for victims of war and injustice, for prisoners, for all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit, for the sick and infirm, for all with incurable illness, and for all who this day will die. We pray especially for those we name in the silence of our hearts... Lord, in your mercy,

• hear our prayer.

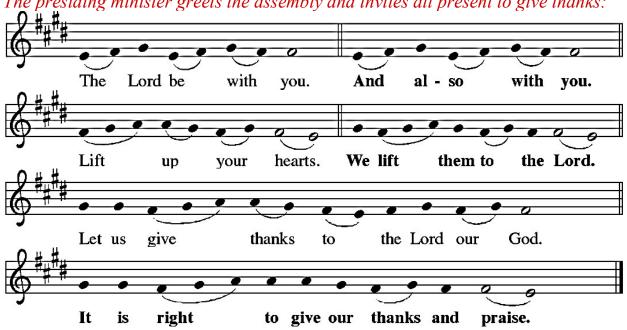
A We pray for the members of our armed forces wherever they serve, and especially when they serve in harm's way, that they might speedily complete their mission and be safely reunited with their loved ones. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

- Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- **C** Amen.

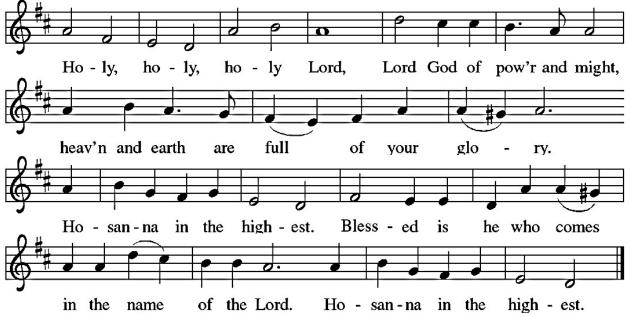
The Offering will be collected in the Narthex as you leave the church.

LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR **GREAT THANKSGIVING**



The minister continues with the PROPER PREFACE:

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy... Here the minister continues with the preface for the day, concluding: ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn: The assembly sings the SANCTUS:



The WORDS OF INSTITUTION are sung to the music Blessed Martin Luther himself composed specifically for this purpose.

 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

- **P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.
- 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.

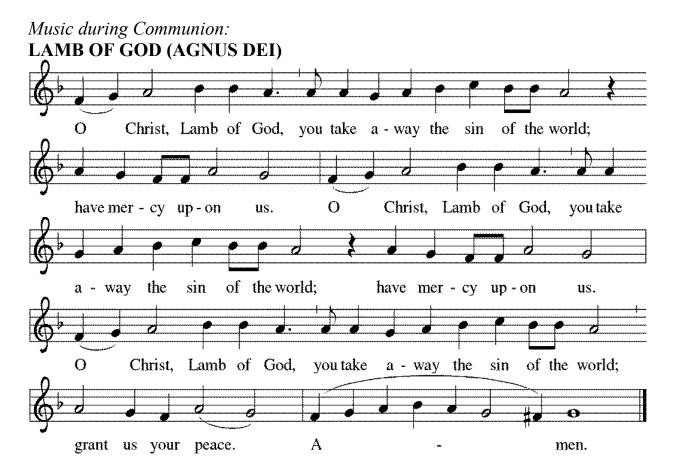
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- Behold the Lamb of God,
 behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
 Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
- C Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Sit COMMUNION

When giving the bread, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given for you. and each person may respond Amen.

We Lutherans believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are "truly and substantially" present "in, with, and under" the forms of bread and wine. We invite to the communion all who are baptized and communing in this or another Christian denomination. We welcome children and others who are not communing to come forward for a blessing. At the direction of the ushers, approach the communion station, receive the host in your palm, move to the side and place the host in your mouth, and return to your seat.



1. Spirit, come, bring your fire, all your people inspire. Holy wind, Holy fire, show the Savior's glory, tell the ancient story!

REFRAIN: Spirit, come in wind! Spirit, come in flame! Come in wind, come in flame, tell again the story.

2. Spirit, come in flame, to your people proclaim: Christ our God, man became, that we may inherit God the Holy Spirit. REFRAIN

3. Spirit, come, bring your light! We would serve you a-right. Through your gifts grant insight to your congregation, blessing ev'ry nation. REFRAIN

4. Holy One, Spirit blest, ever our welcome guest, be all honor addressed, endless praise be given to the Lord in heaven. REFRAIN

Stand

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

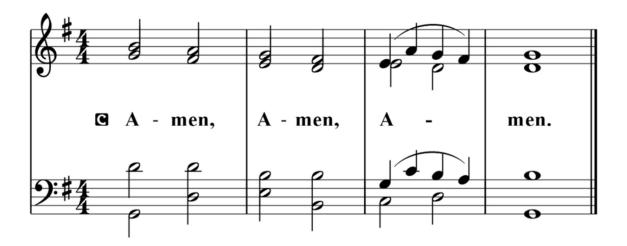
- The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- **G** Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

 Let us pray.
 We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

G Amen.





DISMISSAL

- **A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

HYMN: Lift High the Cross

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Lift High the Cross



Pentecost

OFFERING

The offering will be collected as you leave the Church.

POSTLUDE:

8:00 am: Variation on Lift High the Cross	Bruce Tonkin
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10:30 am: O Day Full of Grace

W. Wold

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The Easter Cycle celebrates the events surrounding our Lord's passion, death, and resurrection. Beginning with Ash Wednesday, the Easter Cycle includes the Lenten season, Holy Week, and the Easter Season. This cycle concludes with the Day of Pentecost, as the culmination of the resurrection through the coming of the Holy Spirit to Christ's followers.

The Paschal Candle, symbolic of our Lord's resurrection, is positioned on the Gospel side of the altar and is lighted at all services during the Easter season (up to and including the Day of Pentecost).

The liturgical color red is symbolic of both the fire of the Holy Spirit (used on The Day of Pentecost) and the blood of the martyrs (used on Reformation Day and commemorations of saints who died for the faith).

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Worship AssistantsUshers: Brian Fishell, Pat O'Hara, Dick Allebach, and Scott HaltemanElevator Attendant: Mike TaylorLectors: Lessons: Alanna JesseePrayers: Jennifer WentworthCommunion Assistant: John KochelAltar Servers: Madison Catagnus and Abigail CatagnusAltar Guild: Lind Romano and Carol GerhartOffering Tabulation: John Kochel, Alison Fishell, and Shane ElisonVideo Streaming: Jim Lien and Chilly LyaroThe Flowers that Adorn the Altar are given to the glory of God by Mike Taylor in
loving memory of Helen Taylor.The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God by Sally Lorah in memory of loved
ones.

<u>The Worship Bulletins</u> are given to the glory of God by Deborah Harley in loving memory of husband, Jerry.



The Rite of Confirmation

Congratulations to these young people as they are welcomed as members of our Augustus Family this morning. May God bless them as they take this important step in their faith journeys.

> Liam Louis DePaul Colin Matthew Smith Nina Serafin DiDomenico



Old Church Sunday

The annual "Old Church Sunday" service will be on June 15, 2025 at 9:30 am in the Old Church. Our good friend, the Rev. Dr. Karl Krueger will inspire us with his sermon. Following the service there will be a sit-down luncheon and a presentation on Peter Muhlenberg in Fellowship Hall by the Rev. Dr. Karl Krueger.

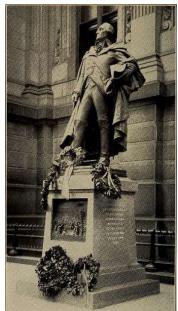
Peter Muhlenberg – The Man – The Legend

On October 6, 1910, thirty thousand people gathered at Philadelphia's City Hall to dedicate J. Otto Schweitzer's statue of Peter Muhlenberg. Speeches praised Peter's leadership in the American Revolution and his contributions to the young republic.

Judge Staake ended his speech by displaying Peter's clerical robe, which the Henkel family gave to the Lutheran Theological Seminary. This presentation highlights Peter's contributions and is a great way to prepare for the 250th Anniversary of America's independence, which we will celebrate in 2026.

We hope to see you at the service on June 15th at 9:30 am and for the luncheon & presentation afterwards. Please feel free to invite your friends and neighbors to join us for this wonderful event. This event is open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

For more information regarding this event, please contact Pat O'Hara at 484-919-2527 or qadirector5@aol.com.





Geraniums 2025

In memory of Wayne W. Adams – a wonderful husband, father and friend from Susan, Jay and Jonathan Adams.

Augustus Women of the ELCA given to the Glory of God in honor of the Confirmation Class of 2025.

Nancee Clelland in memory of loved ones.

Anita Halteman in memory of loved ones.

Elaine Johnston in loving memory of my husband and parents.

Pastor Martha Kriebel and Pastor Howard Kriebel in memory of our parents.

Karen Lachenmayer in loving memory of my parents, Tom and Anne Lachenmayer.

Karen Lachenmayer in loving memory of Dorothy Keffer and Miriam Bennett.

Heather and Stan Lilienthal in memory of loved ones.

Karen and Bryan McClain in honor of our daughters, Maggie and Sean.

Dot Moorehead in loving memory of my husband, John.

Dot Moorehead in memory of my sister, Hazel Giera, with love.

Dot Moorehead with many thanks to my daughter, Debbie, for doing so much to help me.

Dot Moorehead in honor of son, Ron and family, for your thoughts and helpful care.

Dale, Patrick and Brian O'Hara given to the Glory of God in loving memory of family and friends.

Rich and Dot Opperman in memory of parents and in honor of our children.

In honor of my mother, Nancy Miller, who loves geraniums! The Redeyoff Family.

Given by Barbara Rice in loving memory of my husband, Richard.

Susan and Buzz Pongras in memory of Carol Souder.

Deb Scholl in memory of loved ones.

Ann Walker in memory of Russell and Esther Gottshall and Barry Groves.

Michael Van Blaricum in loving memory of my parents, Doris and Herb Van Blaricum.