

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please use the blue prayer request cards in the pews for your prayer requests. Place them in the offering plate so Pastor can include them in the Pastoral Prayer.

LAY READER for today is Heather Barrett.

CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY this week is Gail Flory.

CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY this week are Phil and Theresa Lawrence.

THE FLOWERS this week are given by Mano Miller in memory of loved ones.

GREETER for today is Sandy Rydell.

Church Elders

Sharon Laverdure Ellie Buff
Sandra Rydell Judy Schreck Jim Hall
Phil Lawrence Debbie Prince Lisa Swanson

Church Staff

Nicole Vogel	Pastor
Jen Carmella	Secretary
Linda Schaller	Music Director
Sami Carmella	Nursery Attendant
Keith Karkut	Technology/Sexton

THIS WEEK AT E.S.P.C.

<u>Today</u>	~ Choir rehearsal, 9:15 a.m.
	~ Worship, 10:00 a.m.
	~ Fellowship Hour, following worship
<u>Monday</u>	~ Memorial Day (Church Closed)
<u>Wednesday</u>	~ Walk & Talk, 1:00

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May 28, 2023
Pentecost Sunday
SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
All Services are Live-Streamed

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

PRELUDE “Spirit of God/Breathe on Me Breath of God” ARR. CINDY BERRY

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, sing a new song of worship.
P: Come, sing a new song of praise.
L: Today is a day of a promise fulfilled.
P: With joy we celebrate Pentecost.
L: With joy we welcome more into the church today.
P: A Day when the Holy Spirit was revealed in flaming glory.
L: The fire of the Holy Spirit lives on in us.

All: Sing praises!

*HYMN NO. 298 “Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God, it seems not so long ago we were celebrating Advent, the birth of Christ and now we are celebrating another advent; the coming of Your Spirit among us and the creation of Your church. Fill this room our hearts and lives, especially those who are joining Your fold today, with the Pentecost power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

CHOIR ANTHEM “Filled With the Glory” NANCY PRICE & DON BESIG

CHILDREN’S SERMON

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Almighty God, You poured Your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of Your Spirit among us. We do not listen for Your word of grace, speak the good news of Your love, or live as a people made one in Christ no matter where we come from or who we are. Have mercy on us, oh God. Transform our timid lives by the power of Your Spirit and fill us with a flaming desire to be Your faithful people, doing Your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Gloria Patri
Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end, amen. Amen.

*THE PEACE
L: The peace of Christ be with you!
P: And also with you!

*HYMN NO. 291 “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 11:1-9 (Pg. 9)

GOSPEL Matthew 28:18-20 (Pg. 34)

NEW TESTAMENT Acts 2:1-21 (Pg. 119)

L: Word of God for the people of God
P: Thanks be to God

SERMON “The Great Reversal” Pastor Nicki

HYMN NO. 286 “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS
DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
(see insert)

SENDING

HYMN NO. 337 “My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “America” ARR. MARTY PARKS

(*Indicates to stand, in body or spirit)