



Spirit of truth

HOLY COMMUNION HOLY BAPTISM

Saturday evenings in Easter

Vigil of Pentecost † June 8, 2019 † 5:00 pm

Christ is the pillar of fire who guides us home

Pentecost is a day of promises fulfilled. The promised Spirit of God is poured out. The baptized have become “children of God” and “joint heirs with Christ.” By the power of the Spirit we have seen the face of the Father in his only begotten Son and been saved by him. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

GATHERING

The disciples urged Jesus strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them.

GATHERING MUSIC

Prelude on “Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song” *Kip Ateum*

The bell calls the assembly to worship.

Please stand, as you are able, and face the leaders with the evening prayer candle in the center of the assembly.

EASTER GREETING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

We are illumined by the brightness of his rising.

Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

Death has no more dominion over him

Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.

Dying he destroyed our death.

Rising he restored our life.

GATHERING HYMN

“Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”

(hymn) 403

GATHERING PRAYER

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.

The presider continues with words of welcome.

WORD

Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets,

Jesus interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

READING FROM THE EARLY CHURCH

Filled with the Spirit

Acts 2:1-21

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

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

The assembly welcomes the gospel, singing:

The Spirit of truth

John 14:8-17, 25-27

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.

before the reading:

The holy gospel according to
Glory to you, O Lord.

after the reading:

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN

“God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind”

(hymn) 400

stanzas 1 - 3

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

...hear us O God,

your mercy is great.

PEACE

The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The ministers and the people greet one another with the peace of Christ.

As the peace is shared the assembly gathers around the baptism font.

HOLY BAPTISM

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

INVITATION TO THE FONT

Carter Fobes Caruso

son of Sarah & Mike Caruso

Matt Caruso, Amanda Caruso, sponsors

Finally, the presider addresses the assembly:

People of God, do you promise to help these new Christians,

and pray for them in their new life in Christ?

We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you, members of the assembly, together with the baptismal party, to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

I renounce them.

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

I renounce them.

Do you renounce all the ways of sin that draw you from God?

I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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 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 again to judge the living and the dead.

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. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The presiding minister fills the font with water in remembrance of God's saving activity around the waters of creation.

BAPTISM

"You Belong to Christ" (ELW 211)
after the baptism, the assembly welcomes the candidate, singing:

Two staves of musical notation in 2/4 time. The first staff has the lyrics "You be - long to Christ, in whom you have been bap - tized." The second staff has the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!"

The minister lays both hands on the head of the baptized and prays for the Holy Spirit:
Let us pray....
Amen.

ANOINTING AND SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

Oil is poured on the head of the baptized as the minister prays:
Amen.

GIVING OF THE LIGHT

A garment (blanket) and lighted candle are given to the baptized (or to the sponsor of a young child) by representatives of the congregation, saying:
As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ:
Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

WELCOME

Let us welcome the newly baptized.
**We welcome you into the body of Christ
and into the mission we share:
Join us in giving thanks and praise to God
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**
*The assembly may offer acclamation with applause.
The assembly returns to their places as the offering is gathered.*

MEAL

When Jesus was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.

OFFERING

*When bread and wine are broken and shared in the Lord's Supper an offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.
During this time, the table is set.*

Chorale Prelude *Dietrich Buxtehude*
"Let Us Now Pray to the Holy Spirit"

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray together.
**Risen Christ, receive these gifts,
with our hopes, dreams, and prayers.
Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread,
that our eyes may be opened to see your presence among us,
and our lives filled with the new life of your resurrection.
Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The presider continues with the Great Thanksgiving.

P ...And so we cry, Come, Holy Spirit:

A Come, Holy Spirit!

P ...And so the church shouts, Come, Holy Spirit:

A Come, Holy Spirit!

P ...And so the earth pleads, Come, Holy Spirit:

A Come, Holy Spirit!

The Great Thanksgiving concludes:

Lord's Prayer (1975)

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

All who come seeking Jesus are invited to receive these gifts of God.

Communion at this service is served standing at stations near the altar. Pick up a cup for wine or filled with grape juice as you approach. Grape juice and gluten-free bread are available upon request. The benefits of the sacrament are fully present in either the bread or the wine, should health reasons prevent you from receiving one of them. Children are welcome to receive communion or a blessing. Prayer at the chancel kneelers during communion is always welcomed.

"Improvisation for the Vigil of Pentecost"

T. S.

silence for reflection concludes the communion

EASTER BLESSING

That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem.

They told what had happened on the road

and how he had been made to known them in the breaking of the bread.

SENDING DIALOG

We have heard the holy and saving gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
We have celebrated with joy the Easter mysteries.

We have been nurtured at the holy table
and baptized into the priesthood of Christ.
**We offer ourselves now to the Lord of all creation
in thanksgiving for all that God has done for us.**

Go out from this Easter assembly
to proclaim the mighty works of the Lord.
Let us bear God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

BLESSING

The wind of the Spirit blows where it wills.
May the breath of the Spirit stir us into abundant life.

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

(hymn) 456

"Baptized in Water"

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

"And the Winds of Heaven Touch the Earth"

David Houmard

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*Please join us for fellowship in the great room following worship
to greet the newly baptized.*

This service is being streamed live via the internet: www.centralmpls.org

Your assistance in helping prepare the sanctuary for our Sunday liturgies is welcomed. Please meet a staff member near the front of the sanctuary following the postlude to assist in arranging the pew chairs.



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SERVING TODAY

Pastor D. Foy Christopherson, *presiding*
Christopher Haug, *assisting minister*
Karl Starr, *reader*
Timothy Short, *organist/pianist*
Mark Kieffer, *sound operator*
Richard Stegall, *sacristan*
Alan Filzen, Michele Allen, Rosalinda Morales,
Varney Kiazolu, *ushers, greeters & hosts*

Chancel flowers this weekend are given by a husband in loving memory of his wife. If you wish to donate flowers contact Judy Korogi 10 days in advance at 612-788-1288.

WELCOME



You are welcome. No exceptions.

Central Lutheran Church experiences God's expansive love and strives to share it abundantly. We affirm all people without regard to age, race, biological sex, housing status, ethnicity, sexual orientation, immigration, refugee or migration status, gender identity or expression, socioeconomic status, and physical or mental health or ability. All are a part of God's family, created in God's image. • We strive to practice radical hospitality with all people. Everyone is invited to immerse themselves in the life of this community of faith as we explore the promise of God for all. • Central Lutheran is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

Guests are welcome. We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. We invite guests to complete the "Welcome to Central" card found in the pew racks and leave it with an usher or place it in the offering plate. If you would like more information about Central, please contact us at 612-870-4416, or email info@centralmpls.org.

Children are welcome at all services. Worship bulletins for children and activity bags are available at Sanctuary entrances. The nursery may be found near the welcome desk. Nursery staff are provided on Sunday mornings.

Welcome to the Lord's Table. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please follow the guidance of the ushers and instructions in the order of service. During communion, ministers will bring bread and wine to persons in designated access seating areas. If you are not in a designated access seating area and desire to commune where you are seated, please notify an usher who will direct communion ministers to come and serve you. Communion may be received in one kind (only bread or only wine) from any station if wheat bread or alcohol presents a health concern. Gluten-free breads and alcohol-free wine are available by request at most liturgies from most communion stations.

Welcome to the Holy Baptism. All who come seeking Jesus are welcome to receive Holy Baptism. Please visit with any worship leader, staff member, hospitality volunteer, contact the church office, or complete an information card, indicating that you wish to be baptized. A pastor will contact you.

Friends of Central...Stay connected

Across the country and beyond there are many people who have a soft spot in their heart for Central Lutheran Church – people who feel a connection both to the history and the ongoing mission of this congregation. If you're one of them, we invite you to join our network of Friends of Central. Pick up a brochure or visit our website for more information or to join.

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