



DAY OF PENTECOST

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS)

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He Lives to Pour Out His Spirit

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” We know that keeping little children occupied for an entire church service can be a challenge. Don’t worry; most of those worshipping around you have been in your shoes at one time. If you feel that you need to take your child out of church at any time, we have a Children’s Room to the right as you exit the worship area. The first parking space in front of church is designated for **expectant mothers and families with small children**.

Restrooms are located to your left as you exit the worship area. There are **changing tables in both restrooms**.

LARGE PRINT copies of worship materials are available from the ushers. If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to ask an usher.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presiding Minister
Preacher
Organist

Pastor Aaron Winkelman
Pastor Collin Vanderhoof
David Porth

Morning Praise

To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray

CW 596



1 To God the Ho - ly Spir - it let us pray
2 O sweet - est Love, your grace on us be - stow;
3 Tran - scen - dent Com - fort in our ev - 'ry need,
4 Shine in our hearts, O Spir - it, pre - cious light;



for the true faith need - ed on our way
set our hearts with sa - cred fire a - glow
help us nei - ther scorn nor death to heed
teach us Je - sus Christ to know a - right



that when life is end - ing he may de - fend us, on our
that with hearts u - nit - ed we love each oth - er, ev - 'ry
that we may not fal - ter nor cour - age fail us when the
that we may a - bide in the Lord who bought us, un - til



home - ward jour - ney at - tend us. Lord, have mer - cy!
stran - ger, sis - ter, and broth - er. Lord, have mer - cy!
foe shall taunt and as - sail us. Lord, have mer - cy!
home at last he has brought us. Lord, have mer - cy!

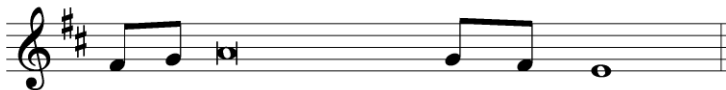
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Stand

Opening Sentences



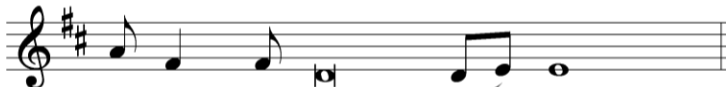
O Lord, o - pen my lips.



And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



Hasten to save me, O God.



O Lord, come quickly to help me.



Give glory to God, our light and our life.



Come, O come, let us wor - ship.

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Come, O Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord

Refrain



Come, O come, let us sing to the Lord,



let us shout with joy to our sav - ing Rock;



come, en - ter in with our songs of praise,



come, en - ter in with thanks - giv - ing.



1 You are a great and a won - drous God,

2 Come, let us wor - ship and, bow - ing low,



cup - ping in your hands all the depths of earth.
kneel be - fore the One who has made us all.



You made the hills and the moun - tains high,
You are the God whom we call our own,



you made the seas and the dry land.
we are the flock that you shep - herd.

Refrain

Confession

Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ, who suffered and died for us.

Cleanse me from my sins.

Release me from my guilt.

Grant me your Holy Spirit to amend my sinful life.

Jesus says to his people, “If you forgive anyone’s sins, their sins are forgiven.” Do you believe this?

Yes, I believe.

Absolution

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved.

In the name of + Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Acts 2:1–21

¹When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” ¹²Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

¹³Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.”

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd:

“Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷“ In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.

¹⁹I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Bless the LORD, My Soul and Being

Psalm 104C sts. 1-2, 5



1 Bless the LORD, my soul and be - ing! LORD my
2 LORD, you laid the earth's foun - da - tion that it
5 May your glo - ry reign for - ev - er. LORD, re -



God, you have such might. Cloaked with hon - or, grand and
would be al - ways sound. By the word of your com -
joice in all you make! As you look on your cre -



glo - rious, you are clothed with pur - est light.
mand - ing, you set forth each o - cean's bound.
a - tion, moun - tains smoke, foun - da - tions shake.



Stretch - ing out the heav'n's like tent cloth, you are
Springs gush forth at your own bid - ding, giv - ing
May these words and thoughts be pleas - ing, for in



cham - bered on the deep. Rid - ing on the wings of
drink to ev - 'ry field. Bird and beast and all your
you my joy is found. Bless the LORD, my soul and



wind - storm, flame and fire your bid - ding keep.
crea - tures in that cool - ness find thirst healed.
be - ing! With this song let praise a - bound.

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Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:3–11

³Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, “Jesus be cursed,” and no one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel

John 7:37–39

³⁷On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. ³⁸Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.” ³⁹By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

CW 585



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, God and Lord! May all your grac - es
2 Come, ho - ly Light, guide di - vine, and cause the Word of
3 Come, ho - ly Fire, com - fort true, grant us the will your



be out-poured on each be - liev - er's mind and heart;
life to shine. Teach us to know our God a - right
work to do and in your ser - vice to a - bide;



your fer - vent love to them im - part. Lord, by the bright - ness
and call him Fa - ther with de - light. From ev - 'ry er - ror
let tri - als turn us not a - side. Lord, by your pow'r pre -



of your light you gath - er and in faith u - nite
keep us free; let none but Christ our mas - ter be
pare each heart, and to our weak - ness strength im - part



your Church from ev - 'ry land and tongue: this to your
that we in liv - ing faith a - bide, in him, our
that brave - ly here we may con - tend, through life and



praise, O Lord our God, be sung. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Lord, with all our might con - fide. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
death to you, our Lord, as - cend. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Sermon

You Are God; We Praise You

Refrain



You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we ac - claim you. To



you, O Fa-ther ho - ly, all cre - a - tion of - fers praise.



praise, all cre - a - tion of - fers praise, all cre - a - tion of - fers praise.



- 1 With the an - gels in heav - en, **we praise you, we praise you!**
- 2 Cre - a - tor of all things, **we praise you, we praise you!**
- 3 O___ Christ, King of glo - ry, **we praise you, we praise you!**



With the cher-u - bim and ser-a-phim, **we praise you, we praise you!**
O___ Je-sus Christ, the Son of God, **we praise you, we praise you!**
You be-came a man to set us free; **we praise you, we praise you!**



With a - pos-tles and proph-ets, **we praise you, we praise you!**
O___ Spir - it, most ho - ly, **we praise you, we praise you!**
You have ris - en to free us; **we praise you, we praise you!**



With the mar-tyrs and your ho-ly Church, **we sing in end-less praise!**
To the Trin - i - ty most bless - ed, **we sing in end-less praise!**
And with all your saints in glo - ry, **we sing in end-less praise!**

Offering

Offering boxes are available in the back of church. If you wish to give an electronic offering, you may use the QR code located at the end of the bulletin or you may go to pilgrimage.org/giving. We present the offerings before the altar as a reminder that our giving overflows out of the Gospel and is itself an act of worship.

Offering Hymn

CW 750



1 We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;
2 May we thy boun-ties thus as stew-ards true re-ceive



all that we have is thine a-lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
and glad-ly, as thou bless-est us, to thee our first-fruits give.

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Stand

Lord, Have Mercy



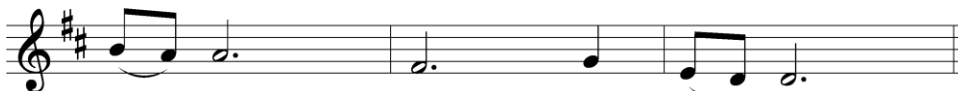
In the morn-ing, O Lord, I call to you; be



mer-ci-ful to me and hear my prayer.



Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have



mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

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Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Prayer for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger. And in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Amen.

Benedicamus



Let us praise the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

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Blessing



The Lord bless and keep you.



A - men.



The Lord's face ev - er shine up - on you.



A - men.



The Lord grant you peace for all your days.



A - men.

O Day Full of Grace

CW 477 sts. 1, 4-5



1 O day full of grace that now we see ap - pear - ing on
4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, his Spir - it new
5 When we on that fi - nal jour - ney go that Christ is for



earth's ho - ri - zon, bring light from our God that we may be
life re - veal - ing, that we might no more from him be lost,
us pre - par - ing, we'll gath - er in song, our hearts a - glow,



re - plete in his joy this sea - son. God, shine for us
all dark - ness for us dis - pel - ling. His flame will the
all joy of the heav - ens shar - ing, and walk in the



now in this dark place; your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.
mark of sin ef - face and bring to us all his heal - ing.
light of God's own place, with an - gels his name a - dor - ing.

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News & Notes

Flowers are given to the glory of God by Pat and Kathy Renner in celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Happy anniversary Pat & Kathy!

We have returned to our summer worship schedule. We will have services at 8:00am and 9:30am for the summer, through Labor Day weekend. Sunday Bible Class will return in Fall.

Thursday, May 21, Pilgrim Lutheran School held the 2026 eighth grade graduation service. Please keep our seven graduates in your prayers as they go on to high school. Elora Barnes, Dominic Faust, Noel Iles, Alyson Klein, Elliana Lyon, Kaiden Ross, Elise Weber.

There is an ammo can on the shelf in the back of church. We are collecting a free will offering for the Lutheran Military Support Group.

BLOOD DRIVE – Pilgrim will host a blood drive on Thursday, May 28 from 1:00pm – 6:00pm. See the included flyer for details!

Our Pilgrim family is growing! It's so wonderful to see young families in church and even more exciting to witness the baptisms of these little ones. We have an opportunity to show Jesus' love by providing meals for the Klick family, whose baby boy, Micah, was recently welcomed into God's family. If you enjoy serving in this way, please sign up! The meals do not have to be homemade. You could buy takeout and deliver it. You could give them a premade grocery store or Costco meal. You could even just drop off a gift card that they can use when they need it. <https://mealtrain.com/yoy8wk> Please direct any questions to Amy Balza at amybbalza@gmail.com. Thank you!

What are you doing this summer? We need to paint the exterior of the Church! Please let Jack Eagon propertymanager@pilgrimcares.org or the office know if you can help and then we will work out a schedule.

Pilgrim member needed to serve as a representative on the Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School General Board. For all the details – please speak to Principal, Kevin Klug. kklug@pilgrimcares.org

We need more volunteers to be Worship Hosts at our 8:00am services. Our hosts greet everyone at the door, or outside when the weather is nice. That's it! If you would like to be added to the list, please contact Marlene Bedalov at joe0773@yahoo.com

SIGN UP FOR THE VANDERHOOF FAREWELL LUNCHEON: On Sunday, May 31 at 10:30am immediately following the second service, we will celebrate Pastor and Tiffany Vanderhoof and send them off to Texas with a farewell reception. There will be a basket available for anyone wishing to offer gifts, cards, or well-wishes on that day. We hope you all can attend! Kindly RSVP by 5/22 using [clicking here](#), or call the office. 262-781-3520

The Spring Greenhouse Sale has begun! Shop at Shady Lane Greenhouse between now and June 30th, mention Pilgrim PTA and the school will receive 25% of the sale. There are flyers available on the shelf in the back of church.

Come join the Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Concert Band on Memorial Day, Monday May 25. We will honor our fallen and present patriotic favorites. The concert is free to the public at Wisconsin Memorial Park, 13235 W. Capitol Drive at 2:00 PM.

The WELS Youth Rally is being held in Bowling Green, Ohio July 14-17. Pilgrim is blessed to have six teens that have signed up to attend. The cost is \$450 per person. We are hoping to find donors who would like to help out with that cost for our families. Are you able to give \$50? \$100 or half - \$225 to help out? Please put your donation in an envelope labeled youth rally and drop it in the offering box or in the school office. You can also donate online. Use the "other" tab on our website and indicate that it's for the Youth Rally. Thank you for considering helping out our youth!

Martin Luther College in New Ulm, MN is accepting applications: Full-time Executive Director of Mission Advancement. This role helps connect donor support to the preparation of future pastors, teachers, and staff ministers. Full-time Athletic Director, Full-time Head Men's Basketball Coach & Assistant Athletic Director, Part-time Assistant Volleyball Coach. In these roles, you can help promote excellence in competition while supporting the formation of student-athletes for lives of Christian service. Part-time Dormitory Custodians. In these roles, you will have flexible scheduling while caring for the place that our students call home during their time at MLC. Interested individuals should apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/.

Calling all college campus explorers: Wisconsin Lutheran College invites you to our popular Admissions visit event, Passport WLC! An exciting open house awaits you this summer on Thursday, June 18. Boarding begins at 11 a.m. After checking in, pick up your free WLC Perka water bottle. This is your blank-slate passport, ready to be filled with stickers designed by our very own faculty, staff, and students as you travel across our beautiful campus. With campus map in hand, explore WLC at your own pace on self-guided tours. Meet WLC Warriors through hands-on academic and extracurricular experiences. You'll learn about our programs and offerings but also score those passport stickers for your water bottle. And there's a grand prize entry at the end! Make WLC your destination this summer - book your ticket today for Passport WLC! Learn more and register: <https://wlc.news/passport>

OPEN AUDITIONS for KML Theatre's Musical *Big Fish* KML Theatre is hosting OPEN AUDITIONS for our summer musical, *Big Fish*! These auditions are open to ALL KML FEDERATION members (current 9th graders thru adult). To audition, just show up to KML Performing Arts Center on Wednesday, May 27, at 7:00 PM. The production staff will teach you a song and short dance and then give you a role! The rehearsal schedule will be based on availability as we build toward performances on July 17, 18, and 19, 2026. Questions? Email the director, Matt Linton (matt.linton@kmlhs.org). We hope to see you there!

Members of Pilgrim: Thank you for your generous gifts, prayers, and words of encouragement for my 40th anniversary. I have been blessed to be able to teach God's children for 40 years! Congregational support and encouragement has been an important part of that journey. May God continue to bless our school and those who serve! – Amy Kuske

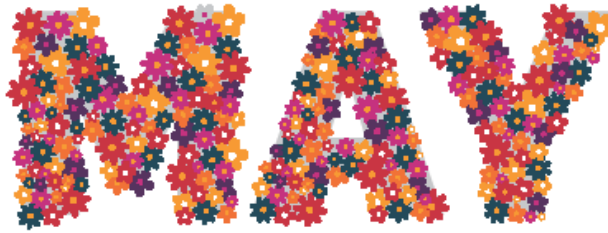
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Ushers		
5-24	Phill Lepple Glen Kuphall	Dave Chmielewski Carl Wolff
5-31	Glen Kuphall Karl Osterman	Bryan Giesenschlag Paul Arnhold

Worship Hosts		
5-24	Bryan & Samantha O'Connell	Delores Tessmer & June Bitney
5-31	Bill & LaVonne Kirchner	Peggy Haas & Carol Bradtke

Attendance	
5-14	128 (Ascension)
5-17	162 + 141 = 303



Pilgrim Lutheran Church can receive offerings electronically through a secure website. Scan the QR code with your smart phone (you might need to download a free QR scanning app) to be directed to Pilgrim's giving page or visit pilgrimcares.org/giving. Save the check – give online!



your kindness save a life

Donate Blood

Thursday

May

28

1:00PM - 6:00PM

Helpful tip:

Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.



Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church BLOOD DRIVE

Pilgrim Evangelical Lutheran Church Gym
W156N5436 Bette Drive

<https://tinyurl.com/PilgrimEvangelicalLuth> to make your appointments via this link or QR Code below.

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