

Atonement Lutheran Church

Sunday, May 19th at 9 am
1144 29th Avenue North
St. Cloud, MN 56303
(320) 252-6203

Pastor John Gabrielson
Pastor Tim Lindhorst
Director of Music Ministry Marcia Handahl
Music Minister/Choir Director Eric Vollen

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Listen Now for the Gospel

Zimbabwean traditional; translation by John L. Bell
Sung by the Atonement Choir

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

ELW p. 97

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.**

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family.
Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

**We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.
Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.**

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG (V.1,2,4) *God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind* ELW 400



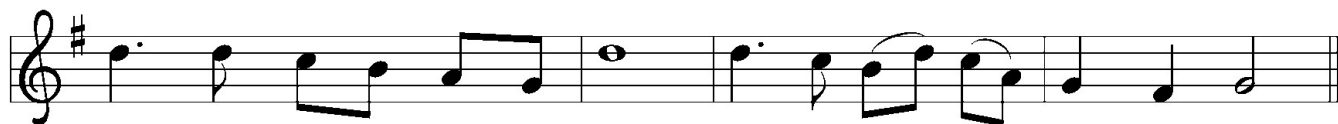
1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl - wind, as on Pen - te -
 2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
 3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
 4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's



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!

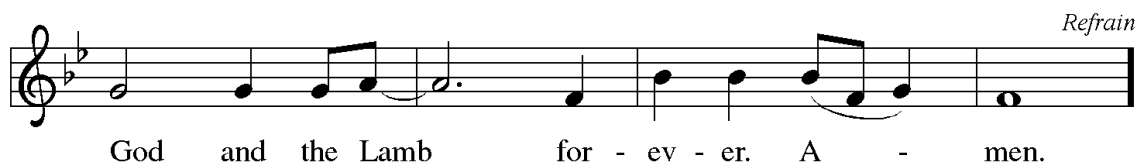
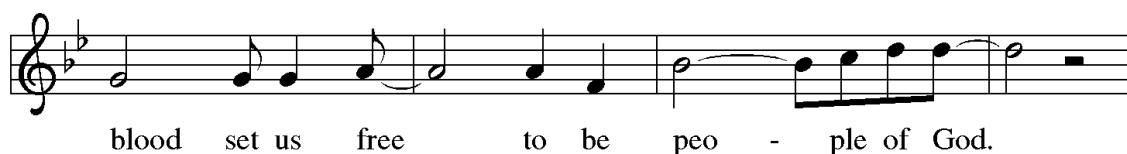
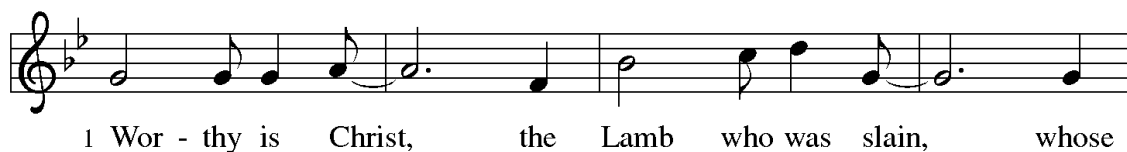
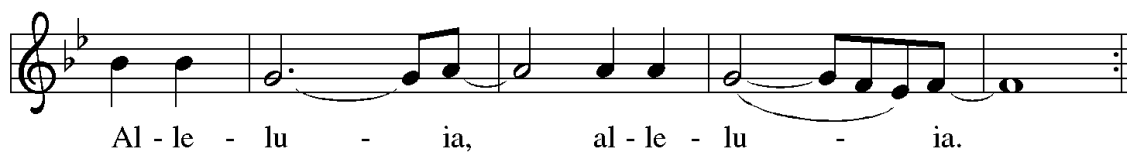
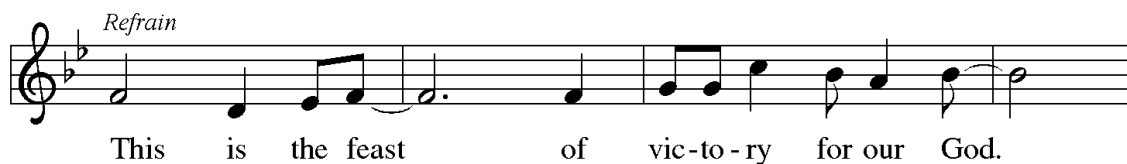
Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING: ACTS 2:1-21

A reading from Acts.

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, and 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 to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'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.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b

How manifold are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number,
living things both small and great.**

There go the ships to and fro,
and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

**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!**

SECOND READING: ROMANS 8:22-27

A reading from Romans.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

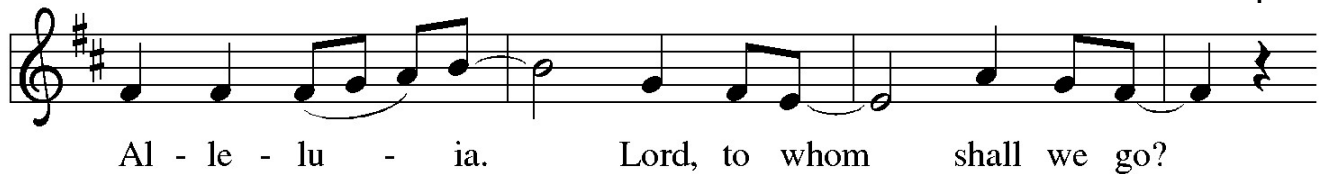
Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: JOHN 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

LITANY OF HEALING

INTRODUCTION

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

...The Spirit intercedes for us,
With sighs too deep for words to express.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

Those who wish to come forward to receive a sign of healing and wholeness in the name of the triune God.

*May you be filled with the **love** of God the Father, the **grace** of Jesus Christ, and the **healing power** of the Holy Spirit.*

Respond with: Amen.

HYMN FOR ANOINTING *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* ELW 807



- 1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



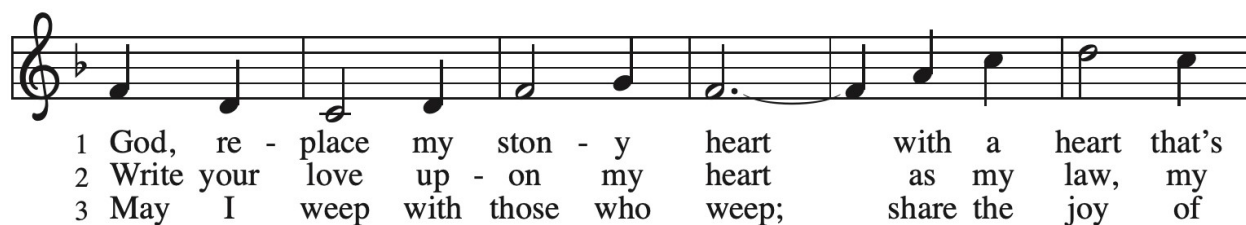
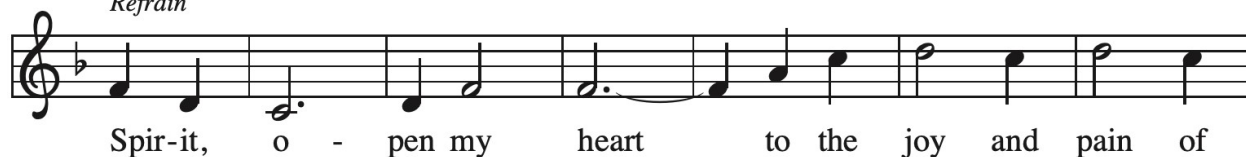
teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Text: Robert Robinson, 1735–1790, alt.

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

HYMN FOR ANOINTING (IF NEEDED) *Spirit, Open My Heart* ACS 1043

Refrain



Refrain



Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947

Music: WILD MOUNTAIN THYME, Irish melody; adapt. Alfred V. Fedak, b. 1953

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CREED

**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.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING *Create in Me A Clean Heart*

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Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.
Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me
with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God,
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Music: *Liturgy of Joy*, James M. Capers, b. 1948
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OFFERING PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

O Living Breath of God
Arranged by John Helgen
Sung by the Atonement Choir

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

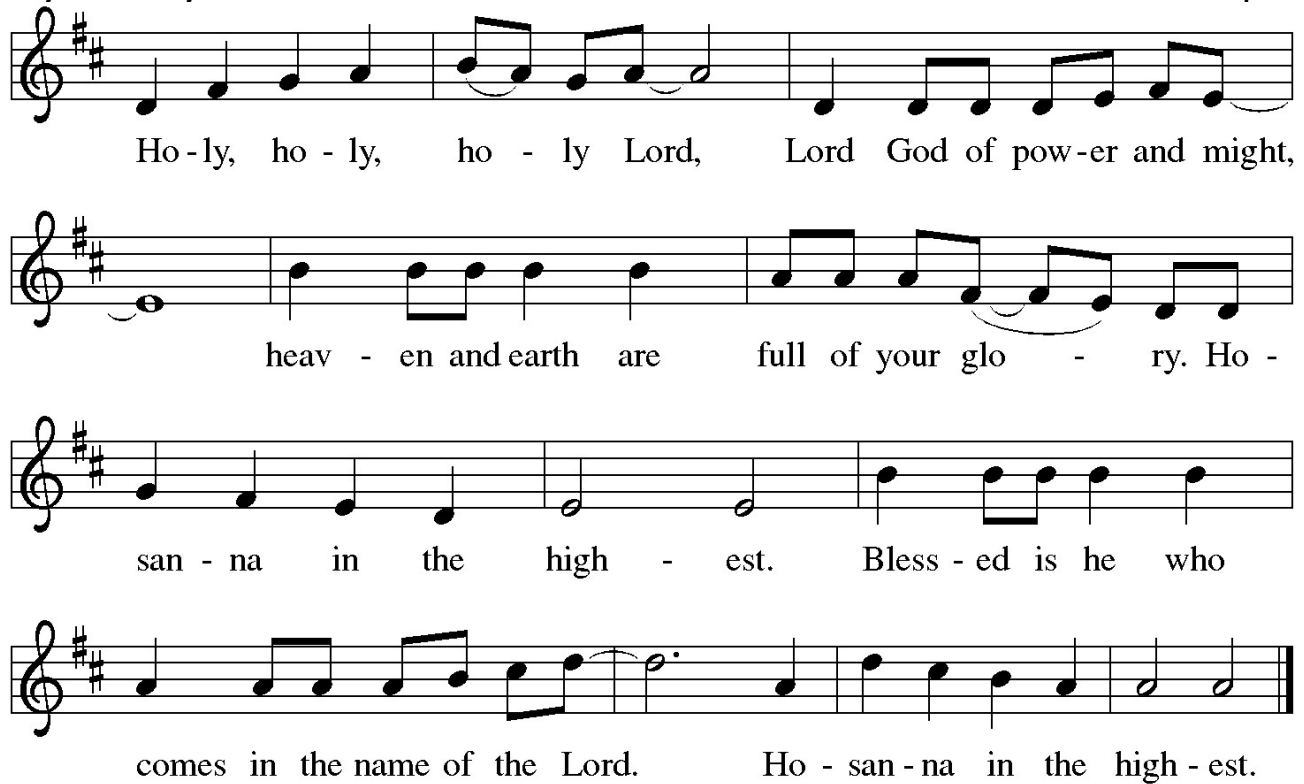
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Blessed are you...

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

...Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

...Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

...O God, blessed and holy Trinity,
now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

COMMUNION SONG *LAMB OF GOD*

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have

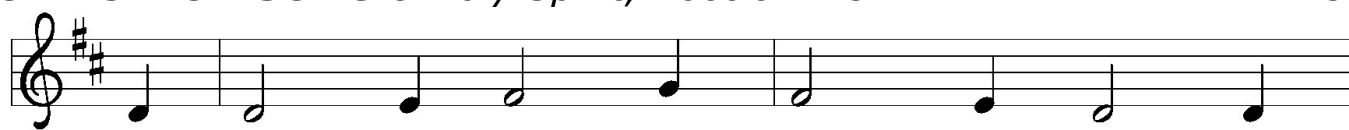
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -

way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION SONG *O Holy Spirit, Root of Life*

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1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, root of life, cre -
2 E - ter - nal vig - or, Sav - ing One, you
3 O ho - ly Wis - dom, soar - ing pow'r, en -



a - tor, cleans - er of all things: a - noint our wounds, a -
free us by your liv - ing Word, be - com - ing flesh to
com - pass us with wings un - furled, and car - ry us, en -



wak - en us with lus - trous move - ment of your wings.
wear our pain, and all cre - a - tion is re - stored.
cir - cling all a - bove, be - low, and through the world.

Text: Jean Janzen, b. 1933; based on Hildegard of Bingen, 1098–1179

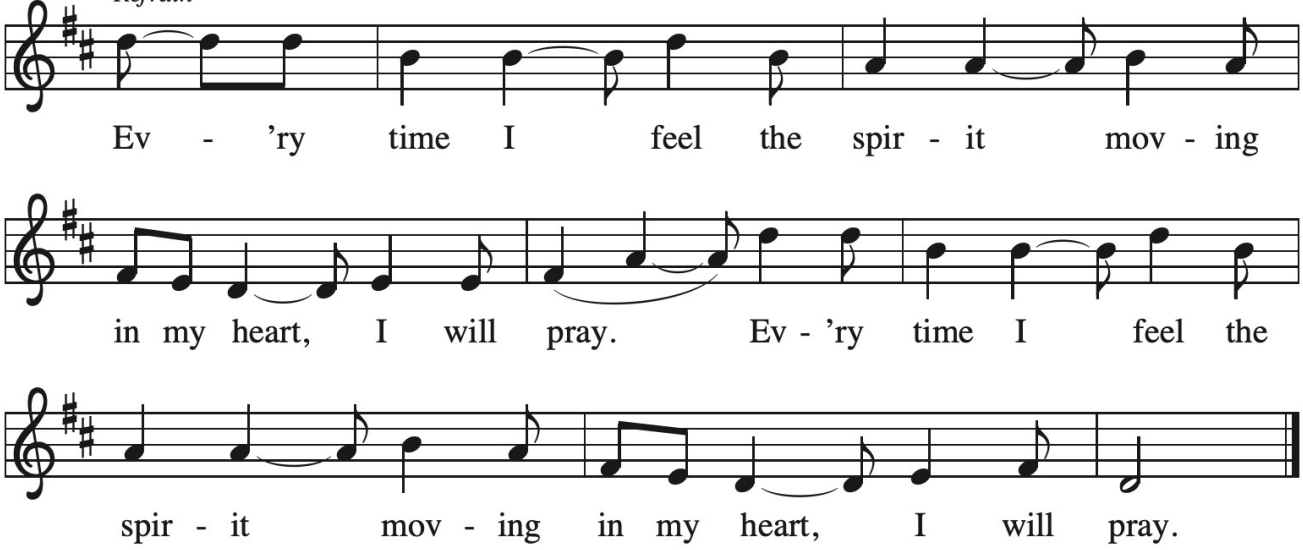
Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune; adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621

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COMMUNION SONG *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

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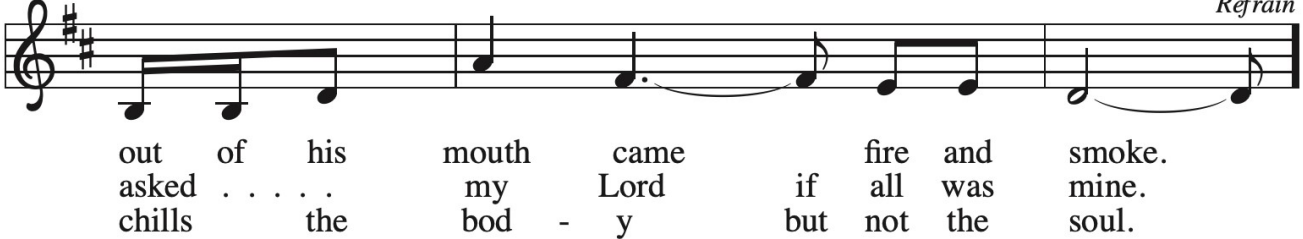
Ev - 'ry time I feel the spir - it mov - ing

in my heart, I will pray. Ev - 'ry time I feel the

spir - it mov - ing in my heart, I will pray.

1 Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke,
2 . . All a - round me looked so fine,
3 . . Jor - dan riv - er, chilly and cold,

Refrain



out of his mouth came fire and smoke.
asked my Lord if all was mine.
chills the bod - y but not the soul.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: PENTECOST, African American spiritual; arr. Melva W. Costen, b. 1933

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENIOR SENDING

We are delighted...

Do you intend to lift your children up in prayer? If so, respond, we do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Parents: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Graduates, do you intend to continue...

Graduates: I do and I ask God to help and guide me.

Congregation, you have supported...

Do you promise to continue praying for and providing a church home for these young people and their families? If so, respond, we do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Congregation: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

BLESSING

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

Amen.

GRADUATES RECEIVING QUILTS

Anthony Larson

Presley Grzybowski

Ethan Parker

Logan Bauer

Daniel Lingl

Aubrey Single

Robert Krause

SENDING SONG *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in This Place*

The choir sings the first time through, and the congregation repeats twice.

There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I

know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are

sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I

know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.

Refrain
Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav - en - ly Dove, stay right here

WORDS: Doris Akers, 1962
MUSIC: Doris Akers, 1962

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT
Irr. with Refrain

Handbell score for three systems of music. Each system consists of a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "with us, fill-ing us with your love; and for these bless-ings we lift our hearts in praise; with-out a doubt we'll know that we have been re-vived when we shall leave this place."

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

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SPECIAL THANKS

Thank you to Atonement Handbell Director Jordan Goodwater for filling in on the piano/organ this weekend while Marcia is with family.

NEWS AND UPDATES:

PRAYER LIST

Brian & Raelynn Robertson

Vi Bjorkstrand

Mark Allen

Leesa Stoffers

Gene Van Hauen

Lainey Matuska

Melissa Atwood Reichert

Kari

Jodi

Pat & Brian Robinson

Tracy N.

ADULT EDUCATION

May 19 - Habitat for Humanity: Transforming Lives through Affordable Homeownership

Join us as we hear from Chad Bouley, the new Executive Director at Central Minnesota Habitat for Humanity. Chad has over 20 years of experience working with Habitat for Humanity in the Twin Cities. He is excited to share his vision for addressing the huge need for affordable housing in the St. Cloud area.

BWCA TRIPS

This summer Atonement's has three trips scheduled to the BWCA. The first trip is for high school girls grades 9-12, on July 16th – 20th. The second trip (**Full**) will be for fathers & sons, going into grades 6-8, on July 25th - 28th. The third trip for High School boys, going into grades 9-12, is August 8th - 11th. If you have questions, see Pastor Tim or Pastor John. Registration can be found on the Atonement website.

BETHLEHEM OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS

Bethlehem Olive Wood carvings will be available for purchase through the Book Nook or from Mata Carlson. These are made by Palestinian Christians who have not been able to sell to tourists with the war raging. These would be ideal gifts for confirmation or weddings. Mata will have the carvings available for viewing and purchase after the 9 am worship services on Sunday mornings.

VBS

A summer kids' event called Scuba VBS will be hosted at Atonement Lutheran Church from June 3 - 6, 2024. At Scuba, kids explore what it means to have a friendship with God! Scuba is for kids from age 3 (by Sept 1, 2023) through sixth grade and will run from 9am to noon each day. For more information, call or text Lisa at 320-281-9541 or Mata at 320-252-6203 x115. Registration and Volunteer sign up are on the Atonement webpage.

OPPORTUNITY TO VOLUNTEER

Help is needed at Lincoln Center (Homeless Helping Homeless) sorting donated clothing. Atonement has been asked to do this one morning a week. Please consider volunteering and contact Kay Defries.