

Pentecost



June 5, 2022

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church
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“True Healing”

Prelude Music

Brief order for Confession and Forgiveness

- P In this season, we worship the Holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sins, whose fire burns in our hearts and lives still today.
- C Amen
- P Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin together. God of mercy,
- C we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another; we forgot to love as we have been loved. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. Many times, we store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, for all that we've messed up, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- P When we were laid low by sin and guilt, God made us alive together with Christ, forgiving us all our trespasses by taking our sins to the cross. So rejoice in this good news: you are brought back to the Father who created you, forgiven by the Savior who died for you, and poured out over again by the Holy Spirit who walks with you in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and all God's people said:
- C Amen

Opening Hymn: WOV 717

Come, All You People
Uyaimose



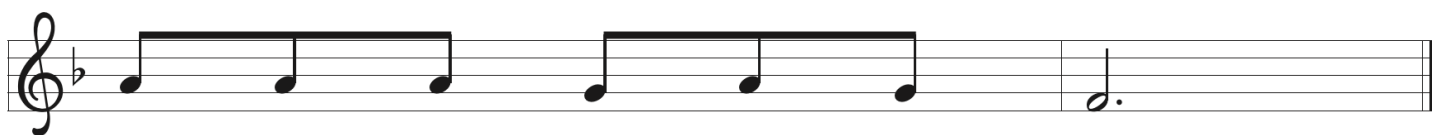
U - ya - i - mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;
1 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Most High;
2 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Sav - ior;
3 Come, all you peo - ple, come and praise the Spir - it;



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come now and wor - ship the Lord.
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Text: Alexander Gondo; tr. I-to Loh, b. 1936, alt.

Music: UYAIMOSE, Alexander Gondo

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Apostolic 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.

Children's Time

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

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.

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? Eggertsvillians, Amherstonians, Buffalonians, residents from Cheektowaga, Lancaster, and Tonawanda, and Lackawanna, Salamanca, Fredonia, and Chautauqua and the other parts of Erie, Niagara, and Cattaraugus Counties 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.' ”

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. (Ps. 104:30)

A How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

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

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

C All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

A You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

C When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

A You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

C May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.

A You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

C I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

A May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.

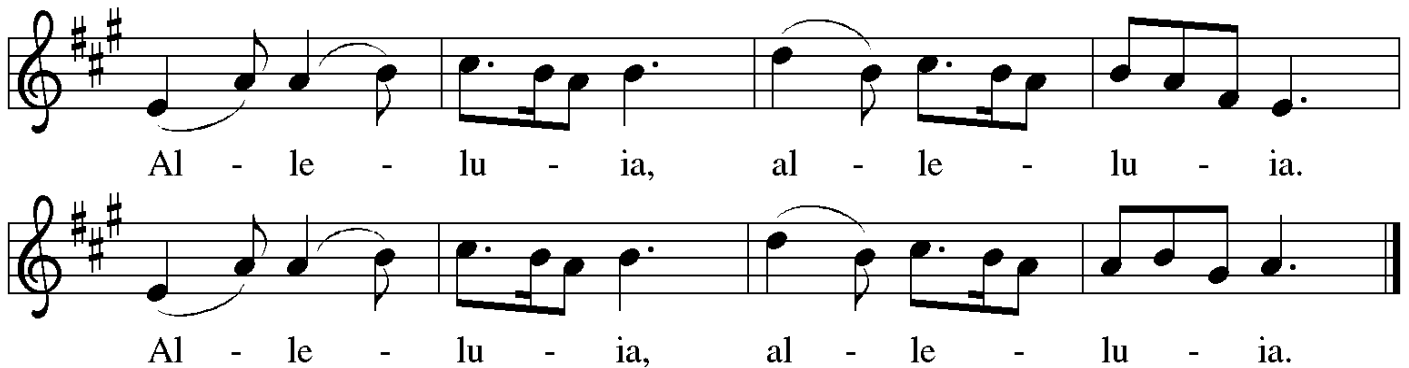
C Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia



Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

Music: Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker

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P The Holy Gospel according to John the 14th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: 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.

Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." 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'? 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. 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. 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. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. 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. [“I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.”]

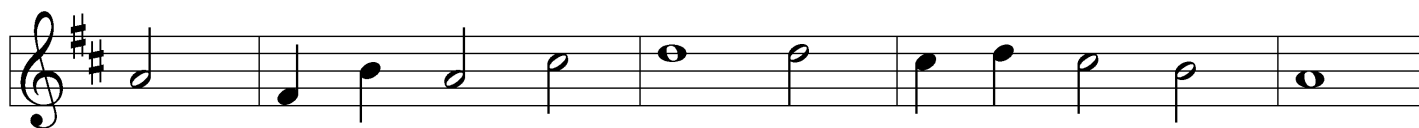
P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: Pastor Steve Biegner

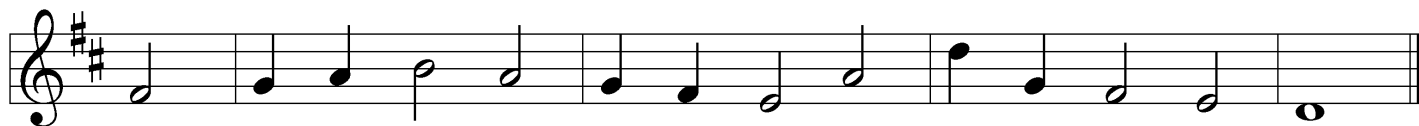


Hymn of the Day: LBW 488

Breathe on Me, Breath of God



1 Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life a - new,
2 Breathe on me, breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
3 Breathe on me, breath of God; so shall I nev - er die,



that I may love all that you love and do what you would do.
un - til with you I will one will to do and to en - dure.
but live with you the per - fect life of your e - ter - ni - ty.

Text: Edwin Hatch, 1835–1889

Music: DURHAM, Aaron Williams, 1731–1776

Apostle's Creed

A Let's join to proclaim our faith in the Apostles' Creed:

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

Prayers of the Church

A Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation. (Please kneel or sit as you are able)

Holy Living One, Holy Moving One, burst open our locked doors, and by your Spirit drive us out into the world proclaiming your mighty deeds. Direct our words and actions, trusting the Advocate abiding in and among us. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Feed and care for creatures that remain hidden to us yet contribute to the vibrancy of your creation. Train us to interact with creation from a place of wonder, awe, and reverence. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Send your Spirit to places where language is a barrier to justice and mercy for those who seek it. Bless the work of translators, interpreters, and teachers. Promote understanding for the sake of those longing for true freedom and peace. God, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

A Protect those in Ukraine. We ask for your hand of protection to be with all of those affected by war. Bring peace to our world and help us to be instruments to make that happen. Let light overcome the evil. Give leaders across the globe hearts of compassion, understanding and grace. God, in your mercy,

- C** hear our prayer.
- A** Comfort all who live in constant fear and any who are suffering, especially the people on our Prayer List and those we name now either silently or aloud. Remind them that your Spirit has made them your children and that they are never far from your glory. God, in your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- A** Guide all bishops, pastors, missionaries, and other ministers of the gospel. Foster our relationships with partner synods and local ministry partners, that our visions and actions are Spirit-led. God, in your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- A** Gather your people across regions, nations, and lands. Root our common life in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, and by your Spirit bind us together with all the saints who have gone before us. God, in your mercy,
- C** hear our prayer.
- A** In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- C** Amen.

Offering Music and Prayer

Ways to Give to St. Paul's

With our return to in-person worship, we thought we would let you know about a couple of options you can use to continue tithing to St. Paul's:

- **In-Person Worship:** Continue to put your envelopes and cash in the plate
- **Giving by Mail:** If you are not be able to attend worship in person, please mail your donations payable to St. Paul's - 4007 Main Street, Eggertsville, NY 14226
- **Online:** On the St. Paul's website is a link to Online Giving which will allow you to donate either via PayPal or credit card. Click the Online Giving button and you will be taken to the site to set up an account, where to direct your donation, and the amount you want to donate. The website is: <https://stpaulseggertsville.com/online-giving/>

P Let us pray.

C God of grace, we give you thanks for all the blessings you have poured into our lives. Thank you for the opportunities to share those blessings through and beyond St. Paul's. Use the gifts we offer here today and in our planned giving to bless the world with your hope, your presence, and your love. Amen

Dialogue and Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and proper that we should at all times and in all places, offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and speak their unending hymn:

Sanctus (spoken)

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

P In the night in which he was handed over, 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:
- C 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

Holy Communion at St. Paul's: celebrated every time we gather, and is open to all.

Please approach by the center aisle, receive the bread and the wine, and return to your seat via the side aisle. Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available. Simply request it from the assisting minister holding the wine. Children are welcome! Those who receive elsewhere may receive here. Children who do not yet receive may come for a blessing. If you have difficulty walking, communion will be brought to you at your seat.

Communion Blessing

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

Prayer After Communion

- P We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

Benediction

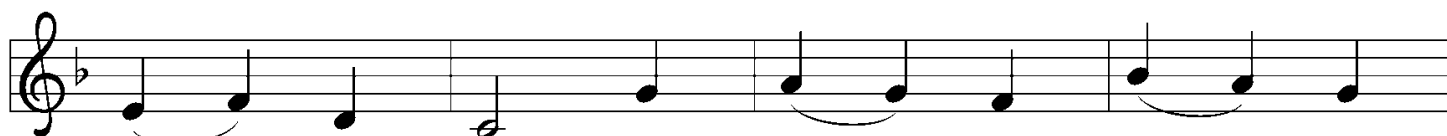
- P And now as you go on your way, may the Lord go with you. May he go before you to show you the way, behind you to encourage you, beside you to be your friend, above you to watch over you, and within you to give you peace. Go today celebrating in the name of the Father, the + Son, and the Holy Spirit, and all God's children said...
- C Amen.

Closing Hymn: WOV 723

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve



1 The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we go in
2 We go to com - fort those who mourn and set the
3 We go to be the hands of Christ, to scat - ter
4 Then let us go to serve in peace, the gos - pel



Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
joy like seed and, all our days, to
to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
share a dream and help the blind to see.
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

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Music: CHESTERFIELD, attr. Thomas Haweis, 1734–1820

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Sharing the Peace and Sending

P Let us go in peace to serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening This Week at St. Paul's: June 5-12, 2022

- TODAY:** 10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
10:00 am: In-Person Worship, Communion, Sunday School, and
Celebration of 25th Anniversary of Pastor Steve's Ordination and
Recognition of St. Paul's Staff
1:00 pm: Ray of Hope
- Wednesday:** 8:00 pm: AA Meeting
12:30 pm: Staff Meeting via Zoom
- Thursday:** 6:00 pm: Alanon
- Saturday:** 9:00 am-3:00 pm: Peniel Haitian Church Worship
9:00 am: Men's Group
9:00 am-12:30 pm: Tiger's Den Food Pantry Open
5:00 pm: Amherst Lutheran Church Worship Service
- Sunday:** 9:30 am: Daily Bread Food Truck: Breakfast at St. Paul's
10:00 am: WNY Church Unleashed: YouTube, Facebook, and MeTV
10:00 am: In-Person Worship and Communion
10:00 am: Sunday School (last class until September)
11:00 am: Dedication Ceremony of Tree and Garden in honor of Noah Hannon
12:00-3:00 pm: Spring into Summer Family Fundraising Event
1:00 pm: Ray of Hope

The Altar Flowers: are given for the glory of God

Prayer List: In our congregational family: (* indicates new names or changes added this week)

Neal DeLeo: Bristol village, 8455 Clarence Center Road, #105, Clarence Center, NY 14032

Richard Elliott: 34 Pino Alto Court, Williamsville, NY 14221

Marilyn Emerson: 364 Burroughs Drive, Amherst, NY 14226

Chad Israel and Hayley Israel

David Lampe: 73 Crescent Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14214

Dorothy Menth: 2330 Maple Road, Apt. 383, Williamsville, NY 14221

Alison Silsby: 4360 Peet Street, Middleport, NY 14105

Tim Stanley: 270 Ivyhurst Circle, Amherst, NY 14226

David Wolf: P.O. Box 198, Clarence Center, NY 14031

Prayer List: In our and extended family: Thomas Maier; Ira Striejewske

Deacon Schedule: 6/5: Barbara Walter; 6/12: Sara Gallagher

Usher Schedule: 6/5: Mike and Michele Degen; 6/12: Scott and Mimi Fierle

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

In-Person Worship: 10:00 am. Masks are now optional while you are in the building. Please be respectful of people around you regarding distancing and their comfort levels. The Sunday 10:00 am worship service is also being livestreamed on St. Paul's YouTube page.

WNY Church Unleashed: If you cannot join us for in-person worship, please continue to worship with us as WNY Church Unleashed on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am on WBBZ, YouTube, or Facebook.

Tigers Den Food Pantry: The Food Pantry is open to anyone in need in zip code 14226 or by referral. The Pantry hours for June are: Thursday 6/2, 6/16, and 6/30 from 3:00-6:30 pm, and Saturday 6/11 and 6/25 from 9:00 am-12:30 pm. Donations for June: cereal, oatmeal, tomato products (tomato sauce, tomato paste, stewed tomatoes).

Daily Bread Food Truck: If you would like to help with the Food Truck please contact the office at 716-835-0407 or email at dailybreadfoodtruck@gmail.com

Lutheran World Relief for Ukraine: If you would like to donate, you can go to donate.lwr.org for additional information and the donation form, or mail your donation to P.O. Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061. You can also call 1-800-597-5972 to make a secure credit card donation.

Resettlement Mission: If you would like to help support the AlAli family, they could use donations of Visa gift cards to help them fill in gaps for some of their material needs. Gift cards can be dropped off at the Church Office, or put in the offering plates on Sunday.

Join Lutheran Charities for an evening of tastings and music at Tewksbury Lodge, Canalside! Friday, June 10th Lutheran Charities is hosting their Annual Wine & Craft Beer Festival, 7 PM - 9 PM, featuring musical guest the Red Blazer Men's Chorus of Buffalo. \$49 per person registration includes: spirit samplings from local breweries and wineries, light hors d'oeuvres and entertainment. A basket raffle and wine pull will also be available. Make it a night out - invite friends and family to come wet their whistles and have some fun! Register online at www.wnylutherancharities.org. See You There!



JOIN US!!

Everyone
is
welcome!

No
admission
fee

Spring into Summer

Family FUNdraising
Event

Sunday, June 12th
12 - 3 PM

Activities:

- Bounce House
- Face Painting
- Fire Truck
- Zumbini
- Food truck
- Basket Raffle
- Rock Painting

All proceeds and
donations
will support
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Project

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Call 716-310-3542





+ St. Paul's Mission +

To empower others with the Good News of Jesus Christ.

*We do that by: Seeking Connections, Enriching Faith, Nourishing Lives,
and Demonstrating Love in God's Name.*

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