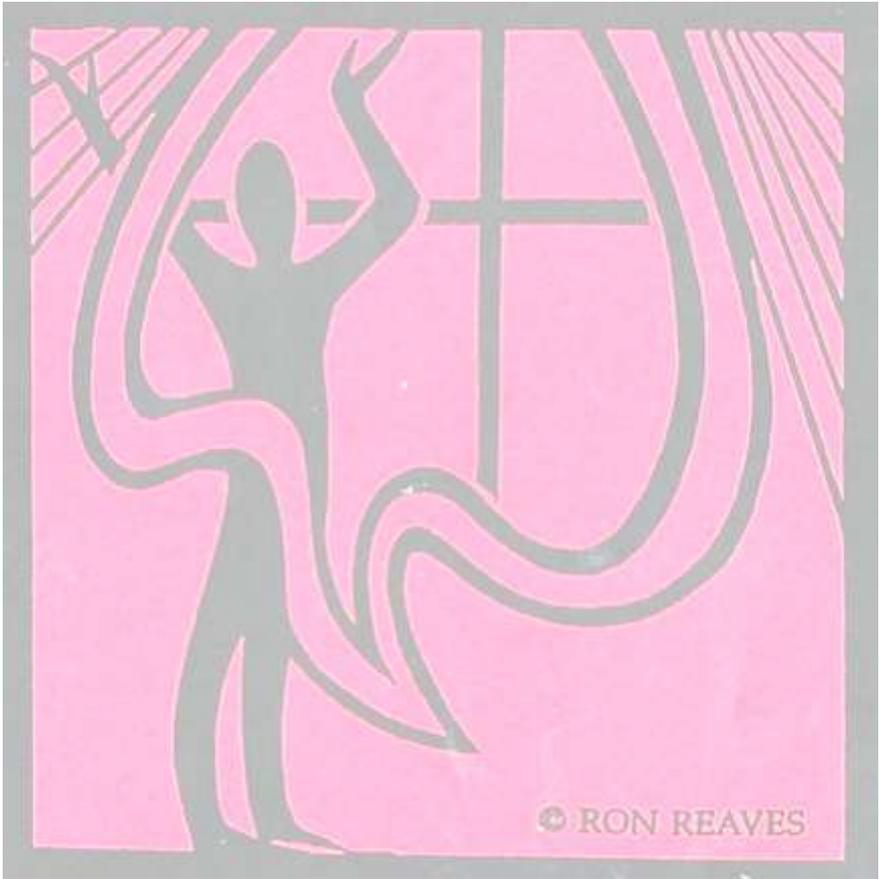


The day of pentecost
Saturday, may 19, 2018 5:30pm
First Lutheran Church, ELCA



*The Father will send the
Holy Spirit*

In the Beginning...

On the day of Pentecost the church prays that God would send forth the flame of the Holy Spirit and fill the church with an abundance of gifts needed to carry out its baptismal mission. We pray that the Holy Spirit would lend fire to our words and strength to our witness. We ask that God would send us forth to proclaim with boldness the wondrous work of raising Christ, who is our life and our hope.

Gathering Song **"Come Just as You Are"** screen

Opening Song **"Mighty to Save"** screen

Pentecost Proclamation:

L: In the beginning, O God, there was only you, our ending and our beginning. The Breath of our Life, our Guide and Inspiration, a blaze of unknowable power, the fire that fills our soul consuming us, driving us and renewing us, calling us, commissioning us and empowering us, leading us ever onward to paths we could never imagine, ways we never sought, lives filled and lived in the joy of your holy presence even in the face of evil: suffering, pain and death.

L: Come to us, Holy Spirit,

C: in the quiet times of peace.

L: Come to us, Holy Spirit,

C: in the painful moments of grief.

L: Come to us, Holy Spirit,

C: in welling fountains of joy.

L: Come to us, Holy Spirit,

C: in cold vistas of disbelief.

L: Come to us, Holy Spirit,

C: in burning certainties of faith.

All: Come to us, Holy Spirit, Come!

Welcome/Invocation

Song **"Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"** #800

We Confess Our Need for God's Spirit

C: God of spirit and truth we confess that we are often like children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind **of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness and** deceitful scheming. We confess that we do not always hold true to your word, and do not think about what you want for your beloved people, but are caught up in our own selfish wants and desires. God of spirit and truth, forgive our sin and refresh us with your Spirit.

L: God is love, and in God is the source of all goodness and truth. **Because of God's love and goodness, God sent Jesus Christ to die** for you and through him all of your sins are forgiven. You are set free and made new in Christ. His spirit lives within you leading you to true faith that you might proclaim his death and resurrection to all the world.

C: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation **"Ancient Words"** screen

Holy Scripture John 14:15-17; 25-29
Acts 2: 1-21

Sermon

Gospel Song **"Spirit of Gentleness"** #396 vs. 1, 4

Sharing the Peace

Offering

Offertory **"You Raise Me Up"** Expressions

Offertory Prayer

God's Giving Continues...

The Lord's Prayer

