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The day of Pentecost
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First Lutheran Church, ELCA
Affirmation of baptism

Gathering Music

Baptismal Processional Song

"We Are Baptized in Christ Jesus"

#451

We are baptized in Christ Jesus, we are baptized in his death;
That as Christ is raised victorious, we might live a brand new life.
And if we have been united in a dreadful death like his,
we will all be reunited, for he lives.

In the water and the witness, in the breaking of the bread,
in the waiting arms of Jesus who is risen from the dead,
God has made a new beginning from the ashes of our past;
in the losing and the winning we hold fast.

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to Christ the Son,
glory to the Holy Spirit, ever three and ever one; as it was in the beginning,
glory now resounds again in a song that has no ending....Amen.

The Day Proclaimed

Isaiah 43: 1-4

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

"Change My Heart, O God"

#801

(Refrain) Change my heart, O God; make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

You are the potter; I am the clay. Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.
(Refrain)

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!

Word of Life

John 14:15-17; 25-29

Acts 2:1-21

Message

A Gift of Song

"Teach Me your way Oh Lord"

Senior Choir

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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 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.

Sharing the Peace

Offering Invitation

Now we join Christians all over the world in worshipping God through the giving of our financial resources. The mission and ministry of this congregation are completely dependent upon your generous giving. Our offering is a significant act of worship and we now worship our God through our giving.

A Gift of Song

"You Are"

Melissa & Ben Ackermann

Offering Prayer

God's Giving Continues...

Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Meal

"You Are Mine"

#581

"Christ, Be Our Light"

#715

"My Life Flows On in Endless Song"

#763

Communion Blessing

Communion Prayer

Announcements

A Discipleship Song

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

#807

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;

Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

While the hope of endless glory fills my heart with joy and love,

Teach me ever to adore thee; may I still thy goodness prove.

Here I raise my Ebenezer: "Hither by thy help I've come";

And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wond'ring from the fold of God;

He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;

Let that grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.

Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy counts above.

Blessing

Sending

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

"O Day Full of Grace" (arr. Aaron David Miller)