

Welcome to Peace!

We are glad that you are here as we gather around the Word and Sacraments of our Lord Jesus Christ! If you have not already done so, we ask that you sign the Guest Book at the entrance to the church. Contact information can be written in the Fellowship Book located in the aisle side of each pew. If you do not have a church home and are interested in becoming a member here at Peace, please contact an Elder.

The Lord's Supper is a Gift . . . and as with all our Lord's gifts, we desire to give and receive them as He intends. The Lord's Supper is for our benefit, but it can be received unworthily. *"Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord"* (1 Corinthians 11:27). Therefore, in faithfulness to our Lord, and in love for you, Peace follows the practice of closed communion. If you are a fellow LCMS member, please let an Elder know beforehand!

All Guests should visit with any of our Elders before coming to the Altar to receive the Lord's Supper. If you do not have opportunity to visit with an Elder prior to the service check with our Head Elder, Roger Buck, during the week, see bottom of page for contact information.

The Divine Service utilizes beautiful Liturgies and Hymns that the Christian Church has passed down for generations, all the while retelling the story of salvation and enacting the work of Christ among us. This bulletin contains an outline to assist you in locating the various parts of the service within our Hymnal. The inserts have the Scriptures & Propers for the Day, as well as Notes about this particular Sunday or Festival of the church year. May God strengthen you today with His Word and Sacrament!

Prayers of the Church

Mourning + Family of Betty LeBeau **Hospice, Surgery, or Hospitalization** + Deb Johnson + Al Kress **Health Issues** + Jenny Brogan + Lindsay Brettman + Margret Herbert + Randy Russell **Cancer** + Maria Gomez + Merna Urwin + Kent Cohagan + Barbara Classan + Andy Jacques + Ed Elshof + Marilyn Houston **Military** + Tyler Mars + Ross Peters + Gary Thompson

In His Service

Presiding Minister: Rev. Jack Kirk, CDR & Chaplin, U.S. Navy Retired
Organist: Dr. Phil Hesterman Cantor: Mr. David Witt A/V: Tim Yurk
Altar Guild: Jun. Lisa Novak July Brenda Christensen
Ushers: Jun. Mike Nissen July Wes Christensen
Elders: 6/09 Dale G. 308-641-6658 6/16 Don N. 402-460-6430
Bus Drivers: 6/09 Wes C. 402-984-4650 6/16 Gary O. 402-469-9797

For emergencies during the Vacancy please contact Head Elder, Roger Buck at 308-390-3484 or email at personemlz@charter.net.

Gifts of Time and Treasure

<u>Last Week's Attendance</u>	120
<u>Last Week's Offering</u>	\$ 3,549.01
<u>Weekly Need</u>	\$ 3,498.11
<u>OTD II Capital Campaign</u>	<i>Remaining Loan Balance as of 4/30/2019</i> \$ 110,817.67

For more Financial Information see monthly newsletter.

A complete accounting of all financials are provided at each Quarterly Voters' Meeting. Questions? Contact our Bookkeeper, Mrs. Jan Hinze jan@balancedbooksllc.com

The Lord's Week

Sunday, June 9th	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Bible Class
Monday, June 10th	9:30am	Volunteers Assemble Layettes
Tuesday, June 11th	9:30am	Bible Study
	6:00pm	Board-Finance
Wednesday, June 12th	11:00am	Senior Bible Study/Lunch-Village Diner
Saturday, June 15th	9:30am	Meet & Greet Pastor Gaunt & Wife, Dawn Clergy, Leaders, Boards, Committees
Sunday, June 16th	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Bible Class

Office Hours: 9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00-4:00pm, Monday through Friday. The office may be closed on occasion due to holidays/errands. Secretary Mrs. Jeri Dush, ph. 402-462-9023 or peacelutheranhastings@gmail.com

The Holy Spirit Gives Peace

Following the flood, Noah's descendants failed to spread out and fill the earth as God had spoken. Rather, they exalted themselves; with *"one language and the same words"* (Gen. 11:1) they spoke proudly and arrogantly. The Lord humbled them by confusing *"the language of all the earth,"* dividing and dispersing the people (Gen. 11:9). That dispersal was reversed on Pentecost Day (the fiftieth day of Easter), when God caused the one Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to be preached in a multitude of languages. *"At this sound the multitude came together"* (Acts 2:6), for the preaching of Christ is the primary work of the Holy Spirit, whereby He gathers people from all nations into one Church. The Holy Spirit teaches and brings to our remembrance the words of Jesus, which are the words of the Father who sent Him. These words bestow forgiveness and peace to those who keep and hold on to them in love for Jesus. *"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."* (John 14:27).



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News and Notes of Interest

Please use new Narthex to enter and exit the Sanctuary!

Divine Service: Sunday, Divine Service 9:00 A.M. followed by coffee and dessert time at 10:15 A.M. Bible Study will follow beginning at 10:30 A.M. Elders

JUNE ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of my Mother, Ruth Klein, Edd & Ronda Johnson Family.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: 6/09 Hilary Ham 6/10 Vicki Haller, Neil Merkel 6/11 Kendall Russ Thurin, Dale Grotelueschen 6/13 Brock Hammond, Andrea Melendez, Dee Janssen 6/15 Leila Martinez

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES: 6/10 Lee Melvin, Sandra Nissen 6/11 Donna Merkel 6/13 Jeff Lacy 6/15 Clint Nunnenkamp

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: 6/11 Mark & Deb Thurin

HIGHER THINGS DEVOTIONS & PORTALS OF PRAYER available in the Narthex, copies run June 9 - July 20, 2019. Please check in this weeks bulletin for Bulletin Study Notes for the Christian Layperson.

***YOU ARE NEEDED!** Volunteers are the heartbeat of VBS. You Are Priceless In This Important Job when it comes to Our Church's VBS program.* We are holding a one-day VBS on Saturday, August 3, 2019, 9 am to 5 pm. The theme is "Daniel and the Lions Den, Babylon." Please call Joan Primrose at 402-469-6335 to volunteer in the area where you would like to serve. Watch for details in the July/Aug. Newsletter.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN Fish Feed Friday, June 14, 2019 from 5:15pm-7:00pm. Freewill Offering open to the public at Zion Lutheran Church, 465 S. Marian Road, Hastings, NE in the new East Fellowship Hall. Join Us

RIGHT TO LIFE FUNDRAISER AND BAKE SALE

June 20, 21, 22, 2019, at St. Michael's School Gym, west side, 721 Creighton Ave, Hastings, 9am-7pm Thurs & Fri; 9am-2pm Sat. See poster, Narthex bulletin board. Joan Primrose

LIFEQUOTE "God's Word resonates loudly the truth that EVERY life is a human being; SOMEONE created by GOD; redeemed by the blood of His Son, Jesus Christ; and called into a relationship with God by the Holy Spirit. As Gospel-motivated voices for life, we MUST do our research, measure it against God's plumb line, and speak up to expose the lies and proclaim the truth—God's VOICE of TRUTH!" *Lynette Auch, president of Lutherans For Life - A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org*

OLD THEOLOGY, NEW TECHNOLOGY...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: The Vocation of Father, The Doctrine of the Trinity, The Gloria in Excelsis, The Apostle Barnabas, The Council of Nicaea, The Prophet Elisha and more. You can listen live or at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

LCMS Pentecost

Acts 2:1 - "When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place." Notice that Pentecost is actually an Old Testament festival. It happens around the time when the wheat and oats are ready to be brought in. In the New Testament, this becomes a picture and foreshadowing of the great harvest of humankind that God means to bring in through the preaching of His Word. God gives the seed, and God brings about the harvest - through the work of His Church.

The Day of Pentecost

June 9th
9:00am



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YOU can bring 'Joy to the World'

Your gifts through the last National Offering made a lasting impact. Joyfully, you:

- Prepared and sent indigenous pastors to Eurasia
- Helped victims in the days immediately following natural disasters
- Provided help to students at the Lutheran seminary in Togo
- Bolstered the work of The Hope Center in the heart of Ferguson, Mo.
- Underwrote a new training module for the *re:Vitality* congregation revitalization program
- Sustained our LCMS seminaries as they prepared and sent out new pastors
- Are providing resources to teach grade-school students the sanctity of human life

It is time to again unite with other Lutherans as we share the joy of Christ with the world.

Over the next three years, the National "Joy to the World" Offering will turn your prayers and offerings into witnessing among new immigrants, reaching out and strengthening the faith of college students, empowering the missionaries of our partner churches, carrying the Gospel into spiritually abandoned urban areas, planting new churches in strategic locations both here and abroad, and more.

With every prayer and gift, YOU will make a difference as we share the true and lasting joy found in the Gospel of Christ. Whatever God leads you to provide can and will be used for His purposes, and we assure you it will be used wisely to share His word. **As the Lord allows, will you please make a gift to the LCMS National Offering?**

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JOY TO THE WORLD





JOY:WORLD

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

St. Paul reminds us, “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you” (1 Thess. 5:16–18).

When the Thessalonians heard Paul’s urging to rejoice, pray and give thanks, they did so. This July, so will we, when elected delegates and visitors from around the world gather in Tampa for the 67th Regular Convention of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. And through that rejoicing, praying and giving thanks, we will bear witness to God’s love in Christ.

As we prepare joyfully to take on this work, **we invite you to join us and all of the LCMS in participating together in the 2019–21 LCMS National Offering.** This special collection of monetary gifts sets the tone for our next triennium under the theme “Joy to the World,” preparing hearts for prayerful rejoicing, gratitude and bold action. I assure you that any gifts received go directly to the mission of the LCMS to make known the Good News of Jesus Christ, joy incarnate, to the world.

We know that the Gospel of Jesus Christ brings great joy to God’s people through the forgiveness of sins and the certain hope of eternal life. Your gift will help support work that reflects the Christ-centered joy of Lutheran Christians everywhere, and share

that joy across boundaries among those who have not yet heard the powerful message of His salvation.

Having joyfully received the Gospel through Word and Sacrament, let’s come together for the 2019 National Offering and watch how it emboldens the work that God has given His people to do and brings true and lasting joy to the world, that all might rejoice and give thanks to God for every good gift.

Rejoicing with you,

Rev. Dr. Matthew C. Harrison, President
The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

The Day of Pentecost

Whitsunday

9 June 2019 Anno Domini

INTROIT (Ps. 68:1, 4a, c, 11a, 33b, 35a; antiphon: Lit. Text; Ps. 68:3)



*The Spirit of the Lord fills the world. Alle- | luia. **

The righteous | shall be glad.

They shall exult be- | fore God;*

they shall be jubilant with joy! Alle- | luia.

*God shall arise, his enemies shall be | scattered;**

and those who hate him shall flee be- | fore him!

Sing to God, sing praises | to his name;*

exult be- | fore him!

*The Lord | gives the word;**

behold, he sends out his voice, his | mighty voice.

Awesome is God from his sanctu- | ary;*

the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his | people.

*Glory be to the Father and | to the Son **

and to the Holy | Spirit;

*as it was in the be- | ginning, **

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

VERSE

Alleluia. When you send forth your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground. Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

Old Testament: Genesis 11:1-9

'Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. 'And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. 'And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. "Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." 'And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. 'And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. 'Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." 'So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. 'Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

Epistle: Acts 2:1-21

'When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. 'And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 'And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. 'And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. 'Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. 'And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. 'And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" 'And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? 'Parthians and Medes and 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 Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of

God." "And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" "But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine." "But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. "For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. "But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: "And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on 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 on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. "And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; "the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. "And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Holy Gospel: John 14:23-31

"Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. "Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me. "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. "You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. "And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. "I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, "but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here."

the highest treasure, that you may have a fearless and joyful heart and peaceful conscience in God." (219)

- Jesus goes to the Father. "The Father is greater than I." To our ears, shaped by the Trinitarian creeds, we expect to hear of equality in the Godhead. To paraphrase the Athanasian Creed, the Father is equal to the Son according to His Godhead. Jesus reminds us in this Gospel lesson that the Father is in unique authority over Christ's vocation and mission to save sinners in their need. Christ listens to the words of His Father and carries them out with divine precision.
- Jesus reveals that the devil, the ruler of this world (or "the prince of the power of the air" [Ephesians 2:2]), is "a roaring lion" (1 Peter 5:8) on the loose. Satan will strike Jesus and the little Church, but His power is limited. His rule does not extend into heaven, and that makes all the difference. Jesus conquers the ruler of this world by shedding His blood for the sin of the world, and rising in great victory — bruising the head of the ancient serpent (Genesis 3:15). The Lord Christ opens heaven to all believers. No one will stop Jesus' love for the Father and keep Him from doing His vocation in love — to be the Savior of all who believe in Him.



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THE DAY OF PENTECOST

Whitsunday

Study Notes for the Christian Layperson

by: Rev. Travis Loeslie

Collect of the Day:

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Introit:

Psalm 68:1, 4a, c, 11a, 33b, 35a
(antiphon: Psalm 68:3) — God shall scatter His enemies

Psalm:

Psalm 143 (antiphon: v. 11) — My soul thirsts for You

Old Testament Reading:

Genesis 11:1-9 — God confuses the languages at the tower of Babel

Gradual:

(During the celebration of Easter and Pentecost, the Gradual is omitted and the verse is expanded.)

Epistle:

Acts 2:1-21 — The events of Pentecost, the coming of the gift of the Holy Spirit, and Peter's sermon

Verse:

Psalm 104:30 — Alleluia. When You send for Your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground. Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.

John 14:23-31 ESV

Author and Date:

The Holy Spirit caused the Apostle John to write the words of this Gospel (ca. AD 90). These words were compiled in the farewell discourse of Jesus to His disciples in John 14-16. These words were uttered on Holy Thursday, the night Jesus was betrayed. Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit, who comes fifty days after Jesus' death and resurrection on Pentecost (or, as the German speakers remember: *Pfingsten*).

²³ Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

- Jesus gives comforting promises to His disciples. Christians show that they love the Father by keeping Jesus' words. Jesus' words matter! His doctrine is more precious than life itself because it grants eternal life. Christians do well to cling to Jesus' words above all else.
- The Father loves those who keep Jesus' words. He comes to make His home with the Christian. When Jesus forgives our sins, the Father comes to dwell in His people. This mystical union is the fruit of the forgiveness of sins.
- Johann Spangenberg notes: "Not only will a lover of God, a hearer and doer of His Word, be safe from God's wrath, the devil, death, and hell, but God will also be his mansion, palace, and dwelling place eternally!" He continues: "...What more blessed thing could happen to us poor men that we should be the dwelling-place, pleasure-garden, paradise, and kingdom of God's high Majesty, and all that we do and are will continue against all the gates of hell, indeed, against all the rage and fury of the world. They will not move us, unless it should happen that the Guests, Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit, are no longer God." (Spangenberg, *The Christian Year of Grace*, 218)
- These "guests" by faith are "generous and benevolent Guests. They do not come with empty hands, nor depart without being thanked. As they bring the treasure of all goods, graces, and gifts with them when they come, they likewise do not forget all divine blessing, salvation, and blessedness, as the accounts and example of Abraham and Lot show (Gen. 18; 19)." (Spangenberg, 218)

- On the flip side, those who do not love the Father do not keep Jesus' words. Disobedience and hard-heartedness against Christ and His words leave a person alone, cold, an atheist or scoffer at truth without God and without spiritual aid in the world.

²⁵ "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

- Jesus promises to send the Helper. This is the "Paraclete," or as Luther often translates the word, the "Comforter." Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit. This Spirit will remind the disciples of all things. The Spirit of Truth later brings to mind the truth Jesus taught for the Church. This Spirit continues to testify to Christ and His Word throughout these end times. What a gift this Third Person of the Holy Trinity proves to be from Pentecost and into the age of the New Testament.

²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. ³⁰ I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, ³¹ but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.

- Jesus promises "peace." This is a refrain in St. John's Gospel. Peace! This peace is not a mere psychological trick, but it is a divine self-giving. It is no simple word, but it is grounded on the God who makes peace by His passion and the shedding of His blood for poor sinners. Jesus reconciles God and man. There is now peace where there was wrath; grace covers sin; comfort of conscience instead of worry and distress; life instead of death. This peace Jesus gives and guarantees with His death and resurrection.
- Spangenberg: "It is as if He says, 'Let this be My farewell. I herewith bid you good night and give you the blessing; I depart from you and know nothing better to leave to you at last in this world than My peace,