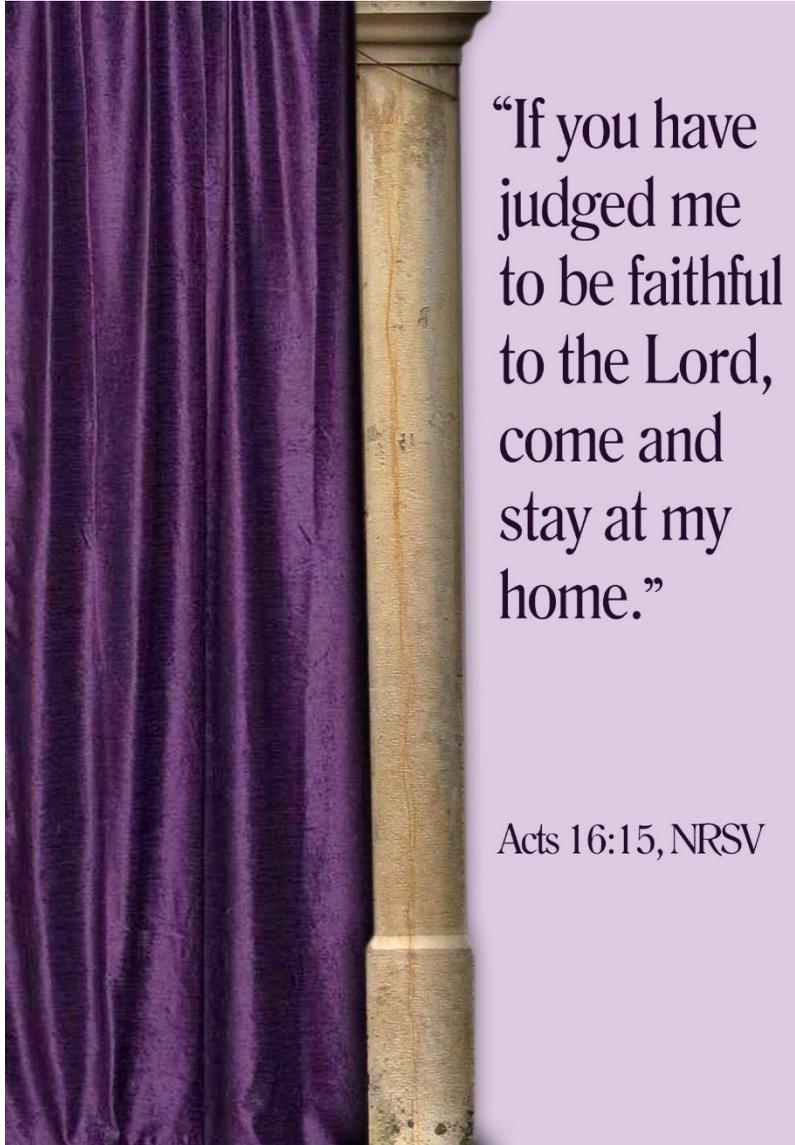


# Pentecost



“If you have  
judged me  
to be faithful  
to the Lord,  
come and  
stay at my  
home.”

Acts 16:15, NRSV

May 23, 2021

# Gathering

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

Welcome

**Gathering Hymn**

**“Spirit of Gentleness”**

**ELW #396**

*Refrain*

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow through the wilderness calling and free;  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

- 1 You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,  
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;  
and over the eons you called to each thing:  
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." *Refrain*
- 3 You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,  
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;  
and down in the city you called once again,  
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. *Refrain*

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Call to Confession

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **C: Amen.**

P: Seeking reconciliation with God and neighbor, let us remember the gift of baptism and confess our sin.

*(Silence for reflection)*

Prayer of Confession

P: God of mercy,

**C: we confess that we have sinned against you, against one another, and against the earth entrusted to our care. We are worried and distracted by many things, and we fail to love you above all else. We store up treasures for ourselves and turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us, that we may live in the freedom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Forgiveness

P: Our God of love sent Jesus Christ to bring us forgiveness from sin. God gave us the Holy Spirit to lead us in our lives so we can bring the light of Christ to all peoples. Know that you are a beloved child of God and God forgives all of your sins. Go and bear God's creative and redeeming word to all the world. **C: Amen.**

## 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.**

## Prayer of the Day

P: Mighty God,

**C: you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## Word

*God Speaks to Us in Scripture Reading, Preaching, and Song.*

## Reading: 1 Peter 4:7-11

<sup>7</sup>The end of all things is near; therefore be serious and discipline yourselves for the sake of your prayers. <sup>8</sup>Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. <sup>9</sup>Be hospitable to one another without complaining. <sup>10</sup>Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. <sup>11</sup>Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm: Psalm 67

<sup>1</sup>May God be merciful to us and bless us;  
may the light of God's face shine upon us.

<sup>2</sup>**Let your way be known upon earth,  
your saving health among all nations.**

<sup>3</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

<sup>4</sup>**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.**

<sup>5</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

<sup>6</sup>**The earth has brought forth its increase;  
God, our own God, has blessed us.**

<sup>7</sup>May God give us blessing,  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

## **Welcoming the Word                    “Open Our Lives to the Word”**

May our words, may our songs, may our worship this day  
fill up our hearts and give us new sight.

May our prayers, may our praise give us light for our days,  
and open our lives to the Word.

Open our lives to the living Word.

Open our hearts to the truth we have heard.

May our words, may our songs, may our worship this day  
open our lives to the Word.

## **Reading: Acts 16:9-15**

<sup>9</sup>During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <sup>10</sup>When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

<sup>11</sup>We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. <sup>13</sup>On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. <sup>14</sup>A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup>When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

**Sermon**

**"The Blessings of a Detour"**

**Pastor Kathy**

**Hymn of the Day**

**"All Are Welcome"**

**ELW #641**

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell  
and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell  
how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

***Refrain***

All are welcome,  
all are welcome,  
all are welcome in this  
place.

4 Let us build a house where hands will reach  
beyond the wood and stone  
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,  
and live the Word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger  
bear the image of God's face;  
let us bring an end to fear and danger:

*Refrain*

5 Let us build a house where all are named,  
their songs and visions heard  
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed  
as words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter,  
prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

*Refrain*

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Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**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.

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 People

### “Hear My Cry, O God”

Hear my cry, O God; listen to my prayer.  
Listen to my song; Singing praises all along.

### Sharing God’s Peace

Offertory Prayer (*Noisy Offering – benefits Southern Minnesota Crisis Nursery*)

P: God of wisdom,

**C: in your Son Jesus you show us the way of life. You teach us to love one another and to share the gifts of our lives. Receive these gifts, fruit of the earth and harvest of our labor, and lead us always by your wise guiding. Amen.**

## Holy Communion

*Today we celebrate Holy Communion: If you are a guest, please know you are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Jesus said that the body and blood are given “for you and for all people.” Children not yet communing are invited to receive a blessing.*

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 our thanks and praise.**

### Words of Institution

#### The Lord’s Prayer

**C: 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.**

## Communion Blessing and Prayer

### Benediction

#### Sending Hymn

#### “Baptized and Set Free”

ELW #453

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| <p>1 We are people created,<br/>chosen by God.<br/>Then we're washed, ever gently,<br/>in mercy and love.<br/>Sin has power no more.<br/>Jesus opened the door<br/>to a fountain bringing healing,<br/>and wholeness and more.</p> | <p>3 We are nourished by water,<br/>all living things,<br/>and by life that the Spirit<br/>abundantly brings.<br/>As we journey toward home,<br/>may your presence be known:<br/>precious river, ever-flowing,<br/>now carry us home.</p> |
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#### Dismissal

P: Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.   **C: Thanks be to God.**



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	<b>Weekly Offering</b>	<b>YTD Offering</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>
<b>5/16</b> General Offering	\$ 10,547.00	\$ 175,310.00	\$ 165,547.00
<b>5/16</b> Building Fund	\$ 600.00	\$ 24,838.50	\$ 23,883.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 11,147.00</b>	<b>\$ 200,148.50</b>	<b>\$ 189,430.00</b>
<b>5/16</b> World Hunger	\$ 410.00	\$ 3,193.00	

<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>8:30AM Sun.</b>	<b>FB Live Views</b>	<b>10:30AM Sun.</b>
5/16/21	97	46	31

### ***In Our Prayers This Week:***

Russ Brown, Dixie Flitter, Marj Frederickson, Ardis Groebner, Sharon Hulke, Joyce Jobe, Dave Marsh, Tom Postel, Pam Riebe, Keith Riser, Sharon Riser, Con Trapp, Linda Trimmell, Michele Walters, Tom Weilage, and Paul Wilker