

# Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit

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*"If I but touch his clothes,  
I will be made well."*

*Mark 5:28, NRSV*

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
Sunday, June 30, 2024  
8:30 am

## **The Holy Spirit Empowers Us for Ministry in Daily Life**

Gathered by God's grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit,  
we invite and welcome all people to join us on our journey  
to become more faithful ministers of Jesus Christ  
in our homes, our communities, and the world.

We welcome Pastor Shari Duminy as our candidate for Senior Pastor and thank her for joining us today.

**We welcome all who worship with us today.**

Visitors are invited to sign the guest register located in the lobby. If you are interested in joining our family of faith, please talk with one of our Pastors or call the church office.

**Children are welcome and celebrated!**

The “Children’s Ministry” table and basket in the lobby contains a variety of items for children’s use during worship. Stop by to borrow a book, pick up some coloring sheets and crayons or take along a copy of this week’s children’s bulletin.

Please silence all communication devices.

Our services are live streamed and recorded. In-person attendance implies consent to be included in the live streamed and recorded worship service.

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**HOLY COMMUNION**

All who believe in the presence of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion are welcome to receive the Sacrament. To facilitate flow, the ushers invite people to come forward starting with the back rows and working forward. You should come forward using the center aisle to receive the elements in a continuous style from pastor and worship assistant. Afterward you may choose to kneel or stand at the altar rail for a brief moment of prayer or return to your seat up the side aisle, depositing your empty cup in the receptacle on your way. Gluten free wafers are available. Our wine is grape juice so that all may freely receive.

Children may receive the sacrament if they have completed instruction with a pastor.

Children who do not commune may come forward for a blessing. Communion kits are available at the usher stands for those who prefer to remain in their seats, and they will be communed along with our Zoom worshippers at the beginning of distribution.

# GATHERING

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

## **Gathering Music**

A Prayer for Healing  
Elizabeth Moessner, Vi Ballard, Marian Snyder

Martin

## **Welcome and Announcements**

*Please stand as you are able.*

## **Gathering Dialog**

With friends and strangers,  
with family and neighbors we gather:  
**come among us, healing God,  
with that love which never ends.**

With faith reaching out to touch,  
with hearts straining to trust, we hope:  
**come among us, friend of the broken,  
with your compassion which makes us whole.**

With word and wonder,  
with silence and song, we wait:  
**come among us, dryer of our tears,  
to lift us to our feet to follow you.**



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;  
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give  
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."  
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."  
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;  
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;  
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest-ing-place, and he has made me glad.  
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.  
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.

### Greeting and Prayer of the Day

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Bless and heal us, O God, for we are stricken in body and in spirit.

As we stretch out our hands to touch the hem of your robe, make us well.

Course through our minds and bodies with your healing power,

as we place our faith in your mighty Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen**

*The assembly is seated.*

## WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture readings, preaching and song.*

**Reading** – Lamentations 3:22-33

Translation: NRSV-UE

A reading from Lamentations.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.  
“The Lord is my portion,” says my soul,  
“therefore I will hope in him.”

The Lord is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul that seeks him.  
It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the Lord.  
It is good for one to bear  
the yoke in youth,

to sit alone in silence  
when the Lord has imposed it,  
to put one’s mouth to the dust  
(there may yet be hope),  
to give one’s cheek to the smiter  
and be filled with insults.

For the Lord will not  
reject forever.  
Although he causes grief, he will have compassion  
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;  
for he does not willingly afflict  
or grieve anyone.

Word of God, Word of Life.

**Thanks be to God!**

*Please stand as you are able to welcome the gospel.*

**Gospel – Mark 5:21-43**

Translation: NRSV-UE

The Good News from Mark, the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Open our hearts, Lord.**

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side,  
a great crowd gathered around him, and he was by the sea.  
Then one of the leaders of the synagogue, named Jairus,  
came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him repeatedly,  
“My little daughter is at the point of death.  
Come and lay your hands on her,  
so that she may be made well and live.”  
So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him.  
Now there was a woman who had been suffering  
from a flow of blood for twelve years.  
She had endured much under many physicians and had spent all that she had,  
and she was no better but rather grew worse.  
She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd  
and touched his cloak, for she said, “If I but touch his cloak, I will be made well.”  
Immediately her flow of blood stopped,  
and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease.  
Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him,  
Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my cloak?”  
And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing in on you;  
how can you say, ‘Who touched me?’ ”  
He looked all around to see who had done it. But  
the woman, knowing what had happened to her,  
came in fear and trembling, fell down before him,  
and told him the whole truth.  
He said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well;  
go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

While he was still speaking,  
some people came from the synagogue leader's house to say,  
"Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?"  
But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the synagogue leader,  
"Do not be afraid; only believe."  
He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James,  
and John, the brother of James.  
When they came to the synagogue leader's house,  
he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly.  
When he had entered, he said to them,  
"Why do you make a commotion and weep?  
The child is not dead but sleeping."  
And they laughed at him.  
Then he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother  
and those who were with him and went in where the child was.  
Taking her by the hand, he said to her, "Talitha kum,"  
which means, "Little girl, get up!"  
And immediately the girl stood up and began to walk about  
(she was twelve years of age).

At this they were overcome with amazement.  
He strictly ordered them that no one should know this  
and told them to give her something to eat.

This is the Good News!  
**Thanks be to God!**

*The assembly is seated.*

**Sermon**

Pastor Shari Duminy

Please stand as you are able.

Word in Song

Healer of Our Every Ill  
Verses 1 & 4

ELW 612

*Refrain*



Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,



give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

*Refrain*



peace and glad-ness; Spir-it of all com-fort, fill our hearts.  
still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.  
ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir-it of all kind-ness, be our guide.  
way of heal - ing; Spir-it of com-pas - sion, fill each heart.





## **Sacrament of Holy Baptism**

Matthew Grant P.

### **Presentation**

We enter the Christian community in and through baptism.

We are human, sin and fall short of all that God hopes we will be,  
and all that the world needs us to be.

God is a forgiving God who draws us into the cleansing baptismal water with Christ.  
With the water and the Word, the Spirit blows into us,  
and we become a beloved child of God.

Our baptism is followed by a lifelong journey of being nurtured  
and formed by the Word

as taught through our family, affirmed by us,  
and experienced in and through the presence of Christ  
in worship, water, Word, wine, bread, and prayer.

In our baptism, we are called to the mission of Christ,  
to be disciples in our daily lives for the sake of the world.

Trusting in the grace and love of God, Kelsie and Kyle,  
do you desire to have Matthew baptized?

*Response:* We do.

Kelsie and Kyle, as you present Matthew to receive the gift of baptism,  
you are entrusted with these responsibilities:

to live with him among God's faithful people,  
bring him to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,  
place in his hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture him in faith and prayer,  
so that he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Kelsie and Kyle, do you promise to help Matthew grow in the Christian faith and life?

*Response:* I do.

Nicholas and Anna, do you promise to nurture Matthew in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

*Response:* I do.

People of God, do you promise to support, nurture, teach, pray and welcome Matthew in his new life in Christ?

**We do.**

### **Affirmation of Faith**

Kelsie and Kyle, I ask you to reject sin, affirm your faith in Christ, and proclaim the faith of the church.

Do you reject the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

*Response:* We do.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith, the faith in which we baptize. People of God, do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**Yes, 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?

**Yes, 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.**

## **Baptism**

We give you thanks, God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and you created the world by your Word, calling forth life.

Send your Holy Spirit into this water and on all who are washed in it, that they may be given new life.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen**

Matthew Grant, you are baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

Let us pray.

Sustain Matthew Grant with the gift of your Holy Spirit:

the spirit of wisdom and understanding,

the spirit of counsel and might,

the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,

the spirit of joy in your presence,

both now and forever.

**Amen**

Matthew Grant, child of God, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**Amen**

Matthew Grant, child of God, you are clothed in Christ.

All who are baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

**Amen**

## **Welcome**

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify our Father in heaven. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share:  
join us in giving thanks and praise to God,  
as we bear God's creative and renewing Word to all the world.**



1 In my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;  
 2 In our song, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;  
 3 In your church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;  
 4 In your world, Lord, be glo - ri - fied, be glo - ri - fied;



in my life, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.  
 in our song, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.  
 in your church, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.  
 in your world, Lord, be glo - ri - fied to - day.

## Prayers of the People

### *Invitation to prayer:*

One in the communion of saints and in the power of the Holy Spirit,  
 we join our voices in prayer.

### *After each petition:*

Source of healing and peace,  
**hear our prayer.**

### *Pastor's closing prayer:*

Holy God, holy and merciful:  
 into your outstretched arms we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray,  
 trusting in the one who is the way, the truth, and the life,  
 Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**Amen**

## **Peace**

Our source of healing and peace is with us now.  
Let us share this healing and peace with one another.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

*The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace by saying,  
"Peace be with you."*

*The assembly is seated.*

## **MEAL**

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.*

### **Response to God's gifts**

The assembly responds to the Word of God by gathering an offering for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Please place your offering in the offering plates on the tables in the rear of the worship center.

The table is set.

*Please stand as you are able.*

### **Great Thanksgiving**

May the God of hope be with you.

**And also with you.**

People of God, offer your hearts to God.

**We open them to the joy God has for us.**

Children of God, proclaim your love for God.

**We sing to the One whose steadfast love is forever.**

### **Words of Institution**

## **Word in Meal**

Here at this Table prepared for us, where we watch and wait for peace and hope,  
pour out your source of healing on your children, and on these gifts of life and joy.  
As our hearts are made whole by the breaking of the bread,  
send us to the broken of the world that we might bind up their wounds.  
As our hollow souls are filled with the tender taste from the cup of life,  
may we empty ourselves so we might embrace those cast off by the world.

## **Lord's Prayer**

God in Community, Holy in One,  
we offer our hearts to you, even as we pray as Jesus taught.

**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**

## **Invitation to the table**

Come to the table, whether you are weary or glad, in turmoil or at peace.  
If you would see Jesus, come, for he waits to share this feast that he has prepared.

*The assembly is seated.*

## Distribution of communion

The body of Christ given for you.  
The blood of Christ shed for you.

## Communion Song

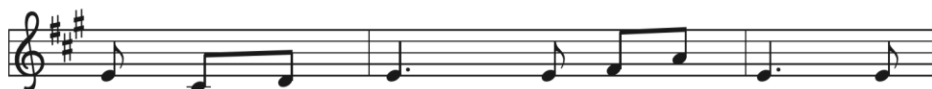
Come, Bring Your Burdens to God  
**Sing 3 times**

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Wo - za nom - thwa - lo wa - kho; wo - za nom -  
Come, bring your bur - dens to God; come, bring your

thwa - lo wa - kho; wo - za nom - thwa - lo wa - kho, U -  
bur - dens to God; come, bring your bur - dens to God, for

ye - s'a - ka - so - za - thi hayi.  
Je - sus will nev - er say no.



1 O God, to you I cry in pain when  
 2 Give me the strength to face my ill, to  
 3 With - in the com - fort and the love that  
 4 Al - low my mind to rest in you, and



sick - ness makes me weak, when mind and bod - y  
 trust in skill and care, to bless the hands that  
 hu - man touch can give, re - store in me a  
 let your peace per - vade to hold me in your



out of tune bring fears I can - not speak.  
 help me heal and find your spir - it there.  
 larg - er sense of what it is to live.  
 great - er pow'r and not to be a - fraid.

*Please stand as you are able.*

**Prayer after communion**

Let us pray.

Jesus, bread of life,

we have received from your table

more than we could ever ask.

As you have nourished us in this meal,

now strengthen us to love the world with your own life.

In your name we pray.

**Amen**



## **Blessing**

The blessing of God,  
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
‡ be upon you now and forever.  
**Amen**

**We proceed directly to our Congregational Meeting.**

**Please join in supporting our church's ministries using your preferred method of giving:**

- Enroll in our on-line giving program, Simply Giving (recommended);
- Mail your offering check to the church;
- Use your credit or debit card at the Giving Kiosk;
- Text your offering to 610-981-1312;
- Download our mobile app for recurring or one-time gifts;
- Establish automatic contributions to the church using your bank's bill pay service.

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