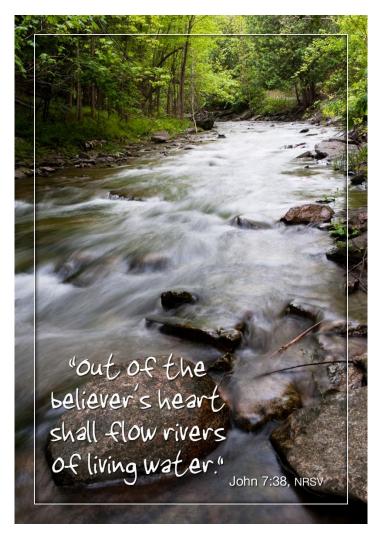
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Day of Pentecost May 31, 2020

#### **GATHERING HYMN**

## **Crown Him with Many Crowns**



#### BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Please knee, sit or stand

- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

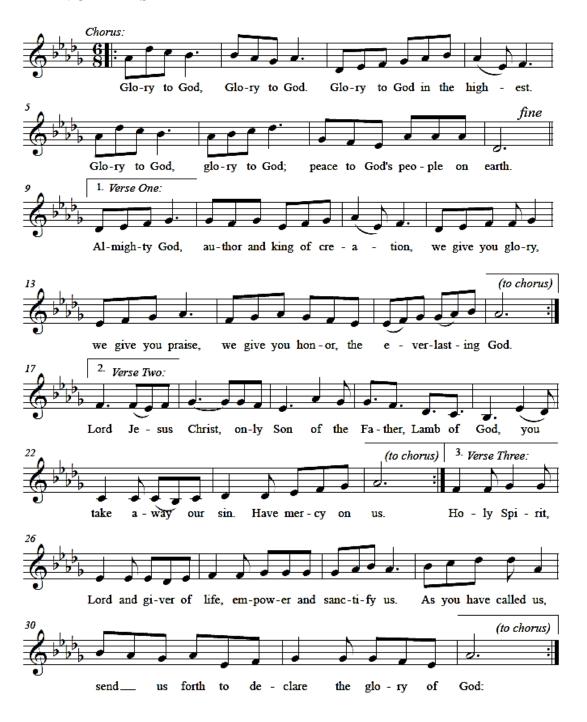
#### **GREETING**

- 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.

#### **KYRIE**

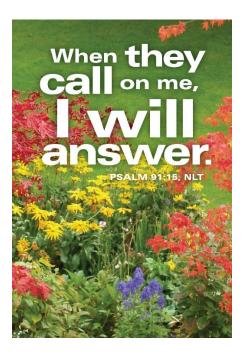


#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**



#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Pastoral Prayer
- C Amen.



Re seated

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 33:1-11

While Jeremiah was still confined in the courtyard of the guard, the word of the LORD came to him a second time: <sup>2</sup> "This is what the LORD says, he who made the earth, the LORD who formed it and established it—the LORD is his name: <sup>3</sup> 'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.' <sup>4</sup> For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says about the houses in this city and the royal palaces of Judah that have been torn down to be used against the siege ramps and the sword <sup>5</sup> in the fight with the Babylonians<sup>[a]</sup>: 'They will be filled with the dead bodies of

the people I will slay in my anger and wrath. I will hide my face from this city because of all its wickedness.

6 "Nevertheless, I will bring health and healing to it; I will heal my people and will let them enjoy abundant peace and security. <sup>7</sup> I will bring Judah and Israel back from captivity<sup>[b]</sup> and will rebuild them as they were before. <sup>8</sup> I will cleanse them from all the sin they have committed against me and will forgive all their sins of rebellion against me. <sup>9</sup> Then this city will bring me renown, joy, praise and honor before all nations on earth that hear of all the good things I do for it; and they will be in awe and will tremble at the abundant prosperity and peace I provide for it.'

<sup>10</sup> "This is what the LORD says: 'You say about this place, "It is a desolate waste, without people or animals." Yet in the towns of Judah and the streets of Jerusalem that are deserted, inhabited by neither people nor animals, there will be heard once more <sup>11</sup> the sounds of joy and gladness, the voices of bride and bridegroom, and the voices of those who bring thank offerings to the house of the LORD, saying,

"Give thanks to the LORD Almighty,

for the LORD is good;

his love endures forever."

For I will restore the fortunes of the land as they were before,' says the LORD.

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



#### **PSALM 19:1-11**

- R <sup>1</sup>The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
- C <sup>2</sup>Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.
  - <sup>3</sup> They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them.
  - <sup>4</sup> Yet their voice-goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

## In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun.

<sup>5</sup>It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, like a champion rejoicing to run his course.

- <sup>6</sup> It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is deprived of its warmth.
- <sup>7</sup> The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul.
- The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple.
- <sup>8</sup> The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart.
- The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes.
- <sup>9</sup> The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever.
- The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous.
- They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold;

they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.

<sup>11</sup> By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.



#### **SECOND READING: Ezra 3:1-13**

When the seventh month came and the Israelites had settled in their towns, the people assembled together as one in Jerusalem. <sup>2</sup> Then Joshua son of Jozadak and his fellow priests and Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel and his associates began to build the altar of the God of Israel to sacrifice burnt offerings on it, in accordance with what is written in the Law of Moses the man of God. <sup>3</sup> Despite their fear of the peoples around them, they built the altar on its foundation and sacrificed burnt offerings on it to the LORD, both the morning and evening sacrifices. <sup>4</sup> Then in accordance with what is written, they celebrated the Festival of Tabernacles with the required number of burnt offerings prescribed for each day. <sup>5</sup> After that, they presented the regular burnt offerings, the New Moon sacrifices and the sacrifices for all the appointed sacred festivals of the LORD, as well as those brought as freewill offerings to the LORD. <sup>6</sup> On the first day of the seventh

month they began to offer burnt offerings to the LORD, though the foundation of the LORD's temple had not yet been laid.

<sup>7</sup>Then they gave money to the masons and carpenters, and gave food and drink and olive oil to the people of Sidon and Tyre, so that they would bring cedar logs by sea from Lebanon to Joppa, as authorized by Cyrus king of Persia.

<sup>8</sup> In the second month of the second year after their arrival at the house of God in Jerusalem, Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, Joshua son of Jozadak and the rest of the people (the priests and the Levites and all who had returned from the captivity to Jerusalem) began the work. They appointed Levites twenty years old and older to supervise the building of the house of the LORD. <sup>9</sup> Joshua and his sons and brothers and Kadmiel and his sons (descendants of Hodaviah<sup>[a]</sup>) and the sons of Henadad and their sons and brothers—all Levites—joined together in supervising those working on the house of God.

<sup>10</sup> When the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, the priests in their vestments and with trumpets, and the Levites (the sons of Asaph) with cymbals, took their places to praise the LORD, as prescribed by David king of Israel. <sup>11</sup> With praise and thanksgiving they sang to the LORD:

"He is good;

his love toward Israel endures forever."

And all the people gave a great shout of praise to the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid. <sup>12</sup> But many of the older priests and Levites and family heads, who had seen the former temple, wept aloud when they saw the foundation of this temple being laid, while many others shouted for joy. <sup>13</sup> No one could distinguish the sound of the shouts of joy from the sound of weeping, because the people made so much noise. And the sound was heard far away.

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

#### CHILDREN'S MOMENT



Stand

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



#### GOSPEL: John 7:37-39

- P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>37</sup>On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. <sup>38</sup> Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." <sup>39</sup> By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Be Seated

#### HYMN OF THE DAY

## Spirit of Gentleness



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#### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

Kneel/sit/stand

#### THE PRAYERS

- A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their need:
- A God of life, on this day you poured forth upon your Church your Spirit through whom we are one body, the body of Christ. Unite us as we meet in person and online that your word may not be bound but heard with joy. Touch our hearts with the fire of your Spirit, that we may serve you in steadfast faith and be poured forth in witness and as bearers of your grace to the world. Lord in your mercy.
- C Hear our prayer.

Holy Spirit, fill us with your power that comes to us through faith and remove all doubt from our hearts. Open our minds to understand the Scriptures and the work of Christ among us. Empower us to move beyond the walls of your holy church to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen from the dead, so that others might come to have life in his name. Lord in your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

Lord of Creation, you have placed us in a wondrous world that reflects your creative glory and power. We pray that you would look with kindness on all that you have made, and that the hearts of all living things may sing their thanks for generations to come. Lord, in your mercy.

## C Hear our prayer.

Holy Lord, through your Son you offer us Living Water that quenches our thirst for true life. Grant that we would daily drink of this water, putting all our trust in your promises. We lift up to you all those who are in need of your healing power and the water that slakes all thirst. Especially we remember... We boldly ask that you stem the tide of this pandemic, prevent loss of life, and use this mortal threat to direct all to the only One who can raise us immortal. Grant success to those seeking to find effective treatments for Covid-19 and those researching a vaccine. Lord in your mercy.

## C Hear our prayer.

God of all Wisdom, in the wake of difficult times around the globe, we pray for our leaders, both near and far. May they lead with wisdom and judge with equity. Grant them all they need to care for the people you have entrusted to them. Bless our bishop Dan Selbo and all pastors of the NALC as they seek to shepherd their congregations and share the good news of Jesus Christ. Through the faithful proclamation of your Word and by the power of you Holy Spirit, draw our nation back to you. Lord in your mercy.

## C Hear our prayer.

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### C Amen

#### Stand

#### **PEACE**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us share a sign of Christ's peace.

Be Seated

**OFFERING** Special Music

\*\*In order to reduce the risk of infection, our ushers will not pass the offering plate during the offertory. Please use this time to engage in silent prayer, reflection, and worship. Later in the service, as you approach the alter for worship, please drop your offering in the offering plate located near the front of the sanctuary.

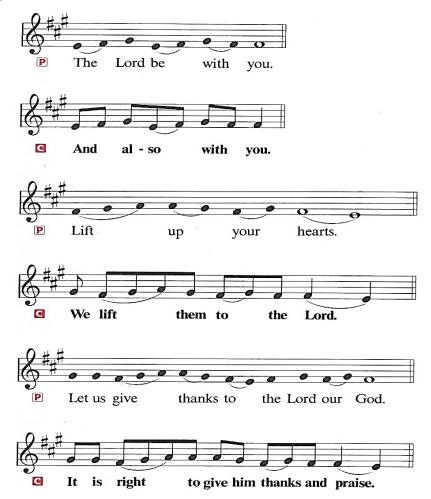
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#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray.
- C O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Christ our Lord. Amen

#### DIALOGUE



#### **PREFACE**

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and ever living God. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name.

#### **SANCTUS**



#### **THANKSGIVING**

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

  Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

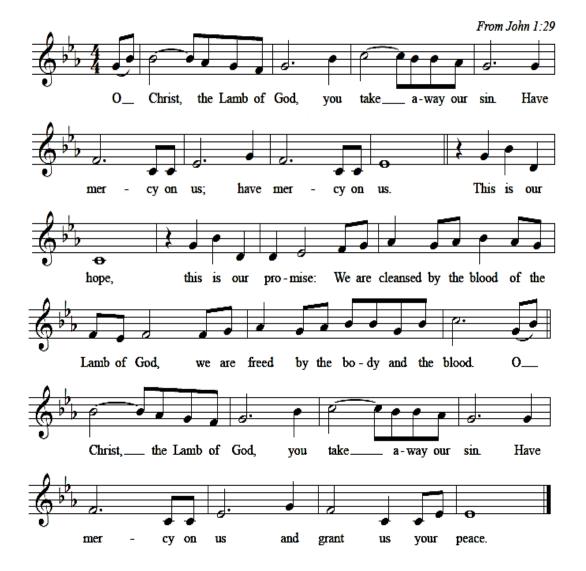
Be seated

#### COMMUNION

\*Grape juice and/or gluten-free wafers available upon request.

We believe that Holy Communion is the sacrament of the real presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ. As we partake of the \*bread and the \*wine, we trust Jesus' promise that we receive His Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sin and strength to service in our lives. If you are a baptized and repentant Christian who desires to commune with us, you are thereby publicly declaring your oneness in faith with us, and you too recognize the Lord's Body and Blood as fulfilling God's Covenant of Grace for us.

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. The communicant may say: Amen.



Stand

#### **PRAYER**

A Let us pray.

C O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise, proclaim your gospel with great joy, and serve all people with deep gladness, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **CANTICLE**

## O Lord, Now Let Your Servant



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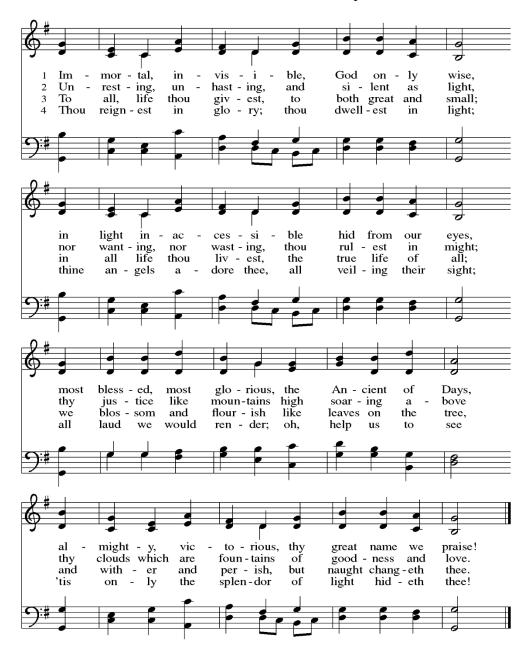
#### **BLESSING**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



#### SENDING HYMN

## Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise



Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1824–1908, alt. Music: ST. DENIO, Welsh traditional; arr. John Roberts, 1807–1876

#### **DISMISSAL**

- A Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged,

will be with you wherever

Toshur 19

# As a congregation of the *North American Lutheran Church* we are guided by four core values:

- 1. Christ Centered
- 2. Mission Driven
- 3. Traditionally Grounded
- 4. Congregationally Focused



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