

# PENTECOST SUNDAY



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## May 19, 2024

***Peace Lutheran Church***



***West Seattle, Washington***

*On the fiftieth day of Easter we celebrate the Spirit, through whom and in whom the people of God are created and re-created. Pentecost is sometimes called the church's birthday, but might more appropriately be called its baptism day, since the gift of the Spirit is the fullness of baptism. Today the Sacrament of Baptism is part of our service as Alex and Owen Franz become members of the Body of Christ. They are the sons of Christina & Derek Franz. Their baptismal sponsor is Itzel Romero-Sanchez*

***We celebrate Christ's presence in the Sacrament of the Table each week at Peace. Christ, our Host, meets us in this meal of grace and offers himself, fully embodied, in the bread and wine. He invites all to come and meet him in this Holy Meal.***

# + GATHERING +

P – *Presider*    C – *Congregation*    L – *Lector*    A – *Assisting Minister*  
ELW – *Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal*    ACS – *All Creation Sings*

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

P Christ is risen!

C **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*Please rise as able in body or spirit.*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

### *Veni Sancte Spiritus*

ELW #406

*Following the direction of Jon Lackey, the congregation joins with the choir in singing the refrain:*

Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.      Ve - ni San - cte Spi - ri - tus.  
Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.      Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.

Cantor:

Vs. 1 *Come, Holy Spirit, from heaven shine forth with your glorious light.*

Vs. 2 *Come from the four winds, O Spirit, come, Breath of God:  
disperse the shadows over us, renew and strengthen your people.*

Vs. 3 *Come, Father of the poor, come, generous Spirit, come, light our hearts.*

P In the last days, God declares, I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and they shall prophesy.  
And I will show signs in heaven above and earth below,  
and everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

## GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Mighty God, 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.

C **Amen.**

## + WORD +

**FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21** (*adapted*)

Graham Johnson

L When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked,

**C Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Norwegians and Finns, Germans and Swedes, Italians, Scots, and Poles;**

L People from West Seattle, White Center, and Tukwila; from Rainier Valley to Queen Anne, South Park to Capitol Hill.

**C Folk from Canada and Mexico, from the Midwest and the Far East, from the islands of Indonesia to the islands of the Salish Sea.**

L Asylum-seekers from Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Angola; humanitarian parolees from Afghanistan and Ukraine. Visa holders from Asia and the Pacific, Africa, Latin America, and sojourners from all places in between.

**C In our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.**

L All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another,

**C What does this mean?**

L But others sneered and said,

**C "They are filled with new wine."**

L But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "People of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

**C 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.**

L Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

**C Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."**

L Word of God. Word of Life.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation joins the choir on each refrain; singing it through twice each time.*



1. Manifold your works, O God of might: Maker of the earth, the air, the light.  
Waters great and wide and all therein, Creatures that abide, let life begin! **Refrain**
2. When we look to you to give us food, You open your hand, fill us with good.  
When you hide your face, we are dismayed; when you take away our breath, we fade.  
**Refrain**
3. May the glory of our God endure. May our God be glad, be strong, be sure.  
Unto you, O God, our praise we give: We will sing your glory while we live. **Refrain**
4. Now may evil cease upon the earth; Wickedness no more shall be of worth.  
Pleasing God will be our only goal. Alleluia! Blessed be God, my soul! **Refrain**

**SECOND READING: Romans 8:18-27**

*Paul expands the reach of God’s redemptive power: not the human species alone but the whole of God’s creation waits eagerly for the fullness of what God has promised. The Holy Spirit is the first fruit of this future hope, interceding for us and for all creation with sighs too deep for words.*

<sup>18</sup>I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; <sup>20</sup>for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

<sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

L Word of God. Word of Life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION HYMN** *Please rise in body or spirit to receive the gospel.*



**P** The Holy Gospel according to John, the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> chapters.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15**

*When speaking to his disciples before his death, Jesus referred to the Holy Spirit as "the Helper" and described the difference the Spirit would make in their lives and in the world.*

[Jesus said,] <sup>26</sup>"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup>You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

<sup>16:4b</sup>"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

<sup>12</sup>"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

**P** The Gospel of the Lord

**C** **Praise to you, O Christ!**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**

*With a Voice of Singing*

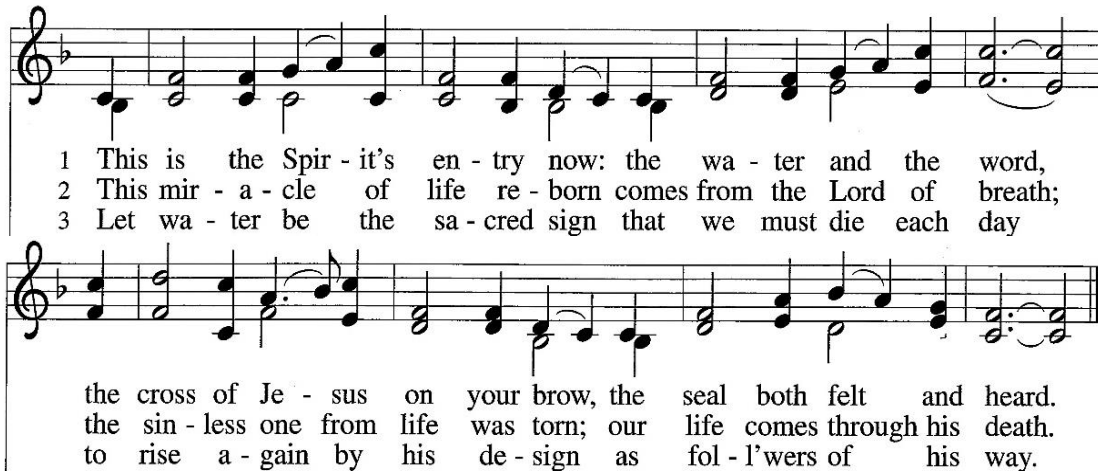
Martin Shaw

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

Pastor Erik

**SERMON**

Pastor Paul Winterstein



1 This is the Spir - it's en - try now: the wa - ter and the word,  
 2 This mir - a - cle of life re - born comes from the Lord of breath;  
 3 Let wa - ter be the sa - cred sign that we must die each day

the cross of Je - sus on your brow, the seal both felt and heard.  
 the sin - less one from life was torn; our life comes through his death.  
 to rise a - gain by his de - sign as fol - l'wers of his way.

## ✝ THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM ✝

*The candidates, sponsor, and parents gather at the font as the congregation sings verses 1-3 of ELW #448. Pastor Kindem addresses the baptismal group and the congregation, on page 227, ELW.*

P God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

### PRESENTATION

P Itzel, who do you present for baptism?

**Response** I present *Alex Theo and Owen Dean* for baptism.

*Pastor Winterstein addresses the parents:*

P Christina and Derek, called by the Holy Spirit and trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your sons baptized into Christ?

**Response** We do.

P As you bring *Owen and Alex* to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with gifts and responsibilities:

- to live with them among God's faithful people,
- to bring them to the word of God and the holy supper,
- to teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,
- to place in their hands the Holy Scriptures,
- and to nurture them in faith and prayer, so that they 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.

Do you promise to help your sons grow in the Christian faith and life?

**Response:** We do.

*Pastor Kindem addresses the sponsor:*

P Itzel, do you promise to nurture these children in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

**Response: I do.**

*Pastor Kindem addresses the assembly:*

P People of God, do you promise to support Alex and Owen and to pray for them in their new life in Christ? If so, answer, "we do."

**Response: We do.**

## **RENUNCIATION OF EVIL AND PROFESSION OF FAITH**

*Pastor Kindem addresses the baptismal party and the congregation:*

In baptism God's NO becomes our NO; and God's YES becomes our YES.  
As we baptize today, and affirm our own baptisms,  
I ask you to profess your faith in Christ, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce 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? If so, answer "I renounce them."

**Response: I renounce them.**

*Addressing the whole assembly:*

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 into hell. 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 again 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.**

## **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

*Pastor Winterstein leads the prayer over the font:*

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Assistants pour water into the font during the thanksgiving.*

**P** Blessed are you, holy God.

You are the creator of the waters of Earth.

You are the fire of rebirth.

You poured out your Spirit on your people on Pentecost.

You breathe life into our dry bones.

Your Son Jesus promised to send the Spirit to us  
that the world may know your peace and truth.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, and breathe new life into those who are here baptized.

By your Spirit adopt us all as your children, through our savior Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

### **THE WASHING** *Join the singing*

♪ *Water of life, water of love, water of birth sweetly flow!*

*Water of life, water of thirst, water of earth sweetly flow! x 2*

**P** Alex Theo, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Owen Dean, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

♪ *Water of life, water of love, water of birth sweetly flow!*

*Water of life, water of thirst, water of earth sweetly flow! x 2*

### **LAYING ON OF HANDS**

*The pastors, baptism group, and community lay hands on Alex and Owen as a sign of blessing.*

**P** Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit  
you give your sons and daughters new birth, wash them from sin,  
and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Owen and Alex 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.

### **SIGNING WITH THE CROSS AND ANOINTING**

*Owen and Alex are anointed with oil and given the sign of the cross.*

**P** Alex/Owen, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit  
and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**C Amen.**

### **PRESENTATION OF A CANDLE**

*The assisting minister presents a lighted candle to the newly baptized.*

**A** Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

*Alex and Owen are received by the community with acclamation.*



4 Re - new - ing Spir - it, hear our praise for your bap - tis - mal pow'r  
 that wash - es us through all our days. Come, cleanse a - gain this hour.

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Janet Cruse

A Rejoicing that Jesus has risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

*Petitions are offered that end with:*

A God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

*When all petitions have been offered:*

A Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected living Lord.

C **Amen.**

**+ MEAL +**

**THE PEACE**

P The peace of the risen Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

*We share a gesture of peace with our neighbors.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERING**

*Your financial gifts today support the ongoing ministry of our congregation, cooperative ventures of ELCA congregations throughout Western Washington, and Evangelical Lutheran ministries around the world. We invite you to give generously! You can place your gift in the offering plate, mail in a check, or connect to our secure Tithely Giving Page via this QR CODE. Whatever size, your gift makes difference—thank you!*



**OFFERTORY**

***God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending***

TUNE: BEACHSPRING

God whose giving knows no ending from your rich and endless store:  
 Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door.  
 Gifted by you we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;  
 Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

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Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through pow'rs your grace conferred;  
Ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.  
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,  
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. Risen One,

**C you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major, 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

♪ *P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
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## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**P** Holy God, Breath of life and Fire of love:

With a mighty wind you brought creation into being,  
And by a pillar of fire you led your people into freedom.

**C** **We praise you for the gift of your Son,  
who poured out your Spirit on his disciples of very race and nation.**

**P** 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:

**C** **Take and eat, this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.**

**P** Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

**C** **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.**

**P** For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,  
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,  
and the sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit,  
we await his coming again to renew the face of the earth.

**C** **Come, Lord Jesus!**

**P** Send now your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this meal:  
Anoint us with your gifts of faith, hope, and love,  
that with thankful hearts we may be witnesses to your Son.

**C** **Come, Holy Spirit!**

**P** All glory and honor is yours, Almighty and Altender God,  
with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*ecumenical*)

**P** Filled with the Spirit, we are bold to pray:

**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.**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**P** Holy food for holy people.

**C** **Thanks be to God!**

## DISTRIBUTION

We commune processionally. Extend your hands to receive bread. A gluten free wafer is also available. Both wine (dark) and grape juice (light) are available in the ceramic cups. Place your empty cup in the box at the end of the front pew on your way back. Children are welcome to receive when their parents believe they are ready, with the support of the pastor. Any who prefer a blessing may cross their hands over their chest as they come forward.

## LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## COMMUNION HYMN *One Bread, One Body* ELW #496



*Refrain*  
One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of



bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y



through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.



1 Gen - tile or Jew, ser - vant or free,  
2 Man - y the gifts, man - y the works,  
3 Grain for the fields, scat-tered and grown,



wom-an or man, no more.  
one in the Lord of all.  
gath-ered to one for all.

*Refrain*

COMMUNION HYMN *I Received the Living God*

ELW #477

*Refrain*




I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



- 1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;
- 2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;
- 3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.
- 4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,



*Refrain*

you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.  
so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.  
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.  
but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

A Let us pray. Life-giving God, we give you thanks for nourishing us with the bread of heaven and the wine of love, Jesus our risen Savior. As you send us into the world, guard us from the power of evil, keep us in unity with all your people, and by your Spirit move us to testify to your grace in our words and actions; through Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

**BLESSING**

P The Triune God, Creator, Redeemer, + and Guide,  
raise you to newness of life, now and forever.

C Amen.

# + SENDING +

## SENDING HYMN

*O Holy Spirit, Root of Life*

ELW #399

1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, root of life, cre -  
 2 E - ter - nal vig - or, Sav - ing One, you  
 3 O ho - ly Wis - dom, soar - ing pow'r, en -  
 a - tor, cleans - er of all things: a - noint our wounds, a -  
 free us by your liv - ing Word, be - com - ing flesh to  
 com - pass us with wings un - furled, and car - ry us, en -  
 wak - en us with lus - trous move - ment of your wings.  
 wear our pain, and all cre - a - tion is re - stored.  
 cir - cling all a - bove, be - low, and through the world.

## DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. The Spirit is with you!

C Thanks be to God!

## POSTLUDE



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## OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

*At the Congregational Meeting on February 4, we embraced a plan for funding our mission in 2024. That plan anticipates offering income averaging \$26,477 monthly. Thank you for your gifts which support God's mission at Peace, in the larger community, and internationally through the ELCA!*

### Offering Income received May 2024

05/05/24	\$ 3,161.00
05/12/24	\$ 550.00
<u>Electronic</u>	<u>\$ 6,988.97</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,699.97</b>

**Heating campaign total received to date:      \$8,660**

## THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

Tomorrow is World Bee Day—a day to “bee” grateful for all bees do for us and to consider how we can help them. About 40 percent of North America's 4,000 native bee species are vulnerable to extinction. Besides bees, legions of insects have evolved to help native plants with long-distance reproduction, including butterflies, moths, beetles, flies, midges and gnats. You can help them all by avoiding insecticides and promoting habitats such as meadows, hedgerows and wetlands.

**Pray for Creation:** Empower us by your Spirit to carefully consider our choices as we plan our Memorial Day celebrations, placing care for your beloved creation above convenience.

## REVISIONING AT PEACE SMALL GROUP MEETINGS

### **ReVision 2024 Survey:**

Were you unable to join one of the in-person conversations? We still want to hear from you! Please fill out the on-line survey to help the Vision Team gather additional feedback. <https://forms.gle/fdNKK3f2zYBx2SU76>

The May 20 session at the Cruse home is still on the calendar, so plan to come if you signed up.



## PRAYER LIST

**Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: Sick/Recovering:** Cay Bell; Laura Bermes; Jan Burt; Ixchela Castaneda; Rick & Charlene Coulson; Marsha Davis; MaryAnne DeVry; Bishop Elizabeth Eaton; Elena Evetts; Joe Flint; Deena Fuller; Donna Heiland; Jerry Heiland; Verna Hernandez; Maria Iriarte; Mary Jacob; Jeff & Dolly; Ken Keyes; Mark Kindem; Dee Levy; Evelyn Martinez; Pete & Kelly McIntyre; Steve Metzler; Bill Morrell; Susan Munn; Eleanor Ness; Cece Ortega; Alicia Flint Oyelowo; Penelope Grace; Michelle Pierce;

Jill Ramsey; Joey Roberts; Rosemary; JoAnne Spangler; Pat Spangler; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Karin & Wade VanSant; Pam Webber; Roger Wingfield; Patti Wunder; Inta Zagars; Audrey Zemke.

**Homebound:** Jim Baker; Connie Benjamin; Marjorie Johnson; Jan Madsen

**We express our Christian sympathy** to Marcia Olson, Minda Olson, and their family on the death of Clifford Olson, Marcia and Eldon's son and Minda's husband.

**PROTOCOL FOR PRAYER LIST** We will keep people on the prayer list for one month unless otherwise specified or unless you contact the Peace office to extend the time.

## RECONCILING IN CHRIST AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME

*Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness, in a world that can be filled with alienation and brokenness. In faithfulness to the Gospel and to our Lutheran heritage, we answer Christ's call to be agents of healing and safety, particularly for people who have been marginalized by our society. As a Christian community, we invite all people to join us as we work to better understand the meaning of grace for our lives. We welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities into the life and mission of our congregation.*



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