

MAY 24, 2026

DAY OF PENTECOST



CHILDCARE Available for children 5 and under in the nursery.

SUNDAY SCHOOL Meets at 10am. Contact Renee at rengen@flcj.org for more information. To register, print form from flcj.orgsreg.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church for graciously welcoming us into their space and allowing us to worship together.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Pentecost derives its name from the Jewish festival celebrating the harvest and the giving of the law on Mount Sinai fifty days after Passover. Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the Holy Spirit as God's presence within and among us. In Acts the Spirit arrives in rushing wind and flame, bringing God's presence to all people. Paul reminds us that though we each have different capacities, we are unified in the Spirit that equips us with these gifts. Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on his disciples, empowering them to forgive sin. We celebrate that we too are given the breath of the Holy Spirit and sent out to proclaim God's redeeming love to all the world.

GATHERING

PRELUDE (10am)

A Song from Cape Breton

WELCOMING WORDS

stand

GATHERING HYMN

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Refrain

Ev - 'ry time I feel the spir - it mov - ing
in my heart, I will pray. Ev - 'ry time I feel the
spir - it mov - ing in my heart, I will pray.

1 Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke,
2 . . All a - round me looked so fine,
3 . . Jor - dan riv - er, chilly and cold,

out of his mouth came fire and smoke.
asked my Lord if all was mine.
chills the bod - y but not the soul.

Refrain

GREETING

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

sit

WORD

FIRST READING

Pentecost was a Jewish harvest festival that marked the fiftieth day after Passover. Luke portrays the Holy Spirit being poured out upon the disciples before the gathered and astonished people assembled in Jerusalem for the festival. Filled with the Spirit, the disciples were able to witness to the power of Christ's resurrection.

SECOND READING

Paul is helping the Corinthians understand the relationship between our God-given unity and Spirit-created diversity. The Spirit creates the unity of faith and gives all Christians diverse gifts for the common benefit of all. We need one another's diverse spiritual gifts because the same Spirit has given them to each person for the common good.

GOSPEL

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-21

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

sit

SERMON

Pr. Michael Mueller

stand

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Living Breath of God



- 1 O liv-ing Breath of God, wind at the be-gin - ning up-on the wa - ters;
- 2 O liv-ing Breath of God, by whose pow'r the Son came to birth a - mong us;
- 3 O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing us to life through bap-tis-mal wa - ters;



- O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing the cre - a - tion to won-drous birth:
O liv-ing Breath of God, who to the cre - a - tion gives life a - new:
O liv-ing Breath of God, sigh-ing with cre - a - tion for free-dom's birth:

Refrain



Come now, and fill our spir - its; pour out your gifts a - bun - dant.



O liv-ing Breath of God, Ho-ly Spir - it, breathe in us as we pray.

APOSTLES CREED

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We pray by petition. At the end of each petition, the leader says, "Merciful God," and the assembly responds, "receive our prayer"

PEACE

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

We turn to one another and with a wave or nod and offer a gesture of Christ's peace. We may say these words: "Peace be with you."

MEAL



You can give your offering by scanning the QR code above with your phone camera or place it in the offering basket by the entrance way. You can also bring it to the church office or send it by mail.

OFFERING TIME

A story of our ministry...

MUSICAL OFFERING (10am)

Meditation on Changeless and Calm

Chancel Choir

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Merciful God, you have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus,

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

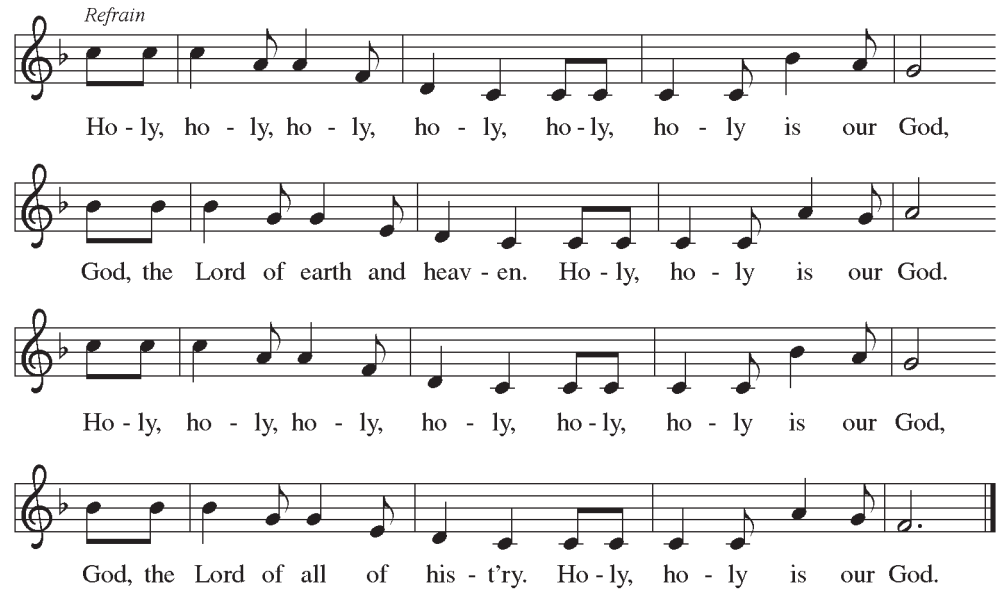
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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, almighty and merciful God,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ.
And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the
resurrection, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Refrain



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is our God,
God, the Lord of earth and heav - en. Ho - ly, ho - ly is our God.
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is our God,
God, the Lord of all of his - t'ry. Ho - ly, ho - ly is our God.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

sit

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION (10am)

God of Wonders

Worship Team

When all have communed:

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

stand

*Communion is open to
all who wish to receive it.
Individual, sealed communion
kits available inside the
center sanctuary doors, for
those who prefer them.*

*If you would like to receive
Communion at your seat,
please notify an usher.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and you are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

Amen.

SENDING

SENDING WORD

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

God of resurrection power, the beginning and the end,

Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead,

and the Spirit, our advocate and peace,

✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

This potent hymn recalls a whole series of images and attributes of God—in this case not the gentle ones, but powerful ones of tempest and whirlwind, earthquake and thunder, and passion without sleep. The petitions are equally as powerful: break chains, crumble walls, and sweep us into service.

SENDING SONG

God of Tempest

1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl - wind, as on Pen - te -
4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's

cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,

past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;

there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. In Christ you are a new creation.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

DRIVE-IN WORSHIP

SUNDAY | 8AM



Embracing Love's Adventure Together

NOW - AUG 30

DRIVE IN WORSHIP

Drive-In Worship Parking: Turn off your headlights! Please park in double rows. Larger vehicles, please park along the sides or in the back. Tune your radio to 90.1 FM.

Ask a Greeter for

- A large print bulletin
- Offering Envelopes
- Connect card - To record that you have communed, or to update your address, phone, email. Or, call the office at 608.752.7434, email Jeanie at office@flcj.org, or Nan at nbandt@flcj.org

Communion: Greeters will hand out individual communion cups each Sunday.

Weather looking iffy? 8am worship will be held at Good Shepherd. A notice will be posted on the 'Closings' page at www.WCLO.com.



SIGN UP TODAY!

4-H FAIR PARKING LOT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This is the sign-up board we are using for the 4-H Fair Parking Lot Sign-up. It will be located in the Fellowship Hall at Good Shepard. We are looking for volunteers to help with parking during 4-H Fair Week, July 28-Aug 2. This is a fun and easy way to meet fellow members of First Lutheran Church, spend time together, and help raise money for First Lutheran. Volunteer 3-hour shifts include:

- **Cashiers:** Collect parking fees and monitor various parking passes.
- **Parking Assistants:** Direct cars in and out of the lot, keep lanes clear, and guide guests to parking stalls.
- **Point Person:** Direct cars to Parking Assistants and direct cars to the exit

Online sign-ups: tinyurl.com/yd99nswx

Contact: Mike Drinkwater, 608.359.1626

BOTTLE WATER DONATIONS: We are asking for small water bottle donations to keep the refrigerator at Good Shepherd stocked for different activities at the church. Please drop off at Good Shepherd. Thank You!



PRAYING FOR YOU

IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

Death: Joan Meister

Prayers: Nathan & Heather Barlass, Damen Boehlke, Rick Cleasby, Renee Comstock, Karen Curry, Lynn Dhein, Violette Eichman, Connie Evans, Leon Freeburg, Linda Fronczak, Christine Genz, Jane Gesteland, JoAnn Haeberlin, Kathy Hendricks, Myra Jensen, Janet Klawitter, Marcia Kelleher, Kip, Robert Kjendlie, Gary Kleinhans, Audrey Kvistad, Jackie, K. Letheby, Marion Maddock, Eli Martin, Naomi Martin, Duane Meister, Janis Metzger, Kathy Mikkelsen, DeeDee Miller, Samantha Mulderick, Curt Nodolf, Shirley Pate, Susan Popp, Kevin Punzel, Alex Rockman, Elaine Schilling, Helen Strand, Linda Sturdevant, Kamron Schwartz, Jan Wathke

Nursing Home Care: Marlys Carlson, Ardith Eddy, Bill Foss, Kathy Foss, Nancy Guse, Rose Jensen, Judy Mowris, Bruce Pearson, Tilford "Paul" Paulsrud, Doris Roehl, Bill Sampson, Mary Sather

Homebound: Evelyn Dahl, George Dallman, Ray & Liz Decker, Bea Hanson, Harriet Hanson, Wayne Koste, Shirley Mooney, Lynn Reddel, Jan Sampson



WHERE TO FIND UPDATES

STAYING CONNECTED

Weekly updates will be sent via email on Wednesdays and shared at flcj.org/rebuilding, Facebook (facebook.com/flcjvl), and Instagram (instagram.com/flcjanesville). To be added to the email list, contact Nan Bandt at 608.752.7434 x15 or nbandt@flcj.org, or sign up at the bottom of our homepage under the "Staying Connected" section at flcj.org.



DONATIONS NEEDED

JAM & JELLY MAKING SEASON

As you begin harvesting fresh berries and fruits this summer, please keep FLC in mind. Donations are greatly appreciated and will help support our jam and jelly making efforts. If you're able to help, please contact Margaret Drinkwater at 608.359.5664.

HYMNALS IN SANCTUARY: When replacing hymnals between seats, please set them in with the spine down, to prevent damage. Take good care of Good Shepherd's church that they are generously sharing with us.



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

TUES, MAY 26 / 6:30PM / GOOD SHEPHERD CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Join us for our next Congregational Meeting on Tuesday, May 26, at 6:30pm at Good Shepherd. Together, we will discuss the next steps as we continue moving forward following the flood.

Childcare is available during the meeting.



DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS SUN, MAY 31 BREAK BREAD SMALL GROUPS

The Relationship Building Team is organizing summer Break Bread groups! Groups will meet once a month June–August for meals and conversation. Choose your preferences for brunch, lunch, or dinner, and weekdays or weekends. It’s a great way to connect and build relationships within the FLC community. To sign up scan the QR code or use this link: flcj.org/break-bread. Contact Christine Smith at golfgrl51@gmail.com or 608.692.6521.



DUE MAY 31 INCLUSION SURVEY

The FLC Inclusion & Integration Team invites you to complete an anonymous congregational survey on inclusion and belonging by May 31. This informal poll is intended to help gauge where our congregation is in this ongoing conversation as we work toward becoming a genuinely inclusive church community. Your honest feedback is appreciated and will help guide future discussions. While primarily intended for First Lutheran members, Good Shepherd members are also welcome to participate.

To take the survey scan the QR-code or use this link: tinyurl.com/5x8u3v42



MONDAY NIGHTS / DAWSON'S COMPLEX 920 BELOIT AVE, JANESVILLE MEN'S SOFTBALL

Come and cheer on the First Lutheran men’s softball team this summer! Contact: Eric at eengen@flcj.org.

June 1 - 8pm

June 8 - 9pm

June 15 - 6pm

WEEK OF **MAY 24**

WEB flcj.org | **FACEBOOK** @flcjvl | **ON YOUTUBE**
HOURS MON-THURS 8:30am-4pm | FRI 8:30am-Noon
CONTACT 608.752.7434 | office@flcj.org

SUN, MAY 24 - DAY OF PENTECOST

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| 8:00am | Drive-In | Parking Lot |
| 10:00am | Worship | Good Shepherd |
| 11:00am | Coffee Hour | Good Shepherd |
| 5:30pm | Practicing the Way | Good Shepherd |

MON, MAY 25 - BUILDING CLOSED

TUES, MAY 26

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| 8:00am | BG's | FLC |
| 11:00am | Staff Meeting | Good Shepherd |

WED, MAY 27

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| 10:00am | Bible Study | Good Shepherd |
| 6:00pm | Worship Team | Good Shepherd |
| 7:00pm | Youth Group | Good Shepherd |

THURS, MAY 28

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| 10:00am | Practicing the Way | Good Shepherd |
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NEXT SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

MAY 31: THE HOLY TRINITY

- + Genesis 1:1—2:4a
 - + Psalm 8
 - + 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
 - + Matthew 28:16-20
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STEWARDSHIP

WEEK IN REVIEW

Last Week's Giving:
\$9,900.07 *Thank You!*
Avg Weekly Giving YTD: **\$16,253**
Weekly Need: **\$18,198**

The weekly need is calculated by taking the budgeted expenses and dividing by the number of weeks in the year. This budget year, the expected expenses are part of a growth strategy based on insights from members under the direction and oversight of the Church Council. With your support, we are looking forward to the future that is growing at FLC.



ATTENDANCE

8am: 85 9:30am: 126 SS: 18

Members of Good Shepherd and visitors, you are invited to take part in any of First Lutheran's activities. Check out the calendar above and join us!

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