

Liturgy – Pentecost 2026 (May 23, 2026)
21st Anniversary of Light of Christ



Light of Christ

Responses of the People are in ***bold***



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Welcome and Announcements:

Opening Song: # 472 Come, Holy Ghost

Come, Holy Ghost



1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor blest, And in our
2. O Com - fort - er, to thee we cry, Thou heav'n - ly
3. O Ho - ly Ghost, through thee a - lone Know we the
4. Praise we the Lord, Fa - ther and Son, And Ho - ly



hearts take up thy rest; Come with thy grace
gift of God most high, Thou fount of life,
Fa - ther and the Son; Be this our firm
Spir - it with them one; And may the Son



and heav'n - ly aid To fill the hearts which thou hast
and fire of love, And sweet a - noint - ing from a -
un - chang - ing creed, That thou dost from them both pro -
on us be - stow All gifts that from the Spir - it



made, To fill the hearts which thou hast made.
bove, And sweet a - noint - ing from a - bove.
ceed, That thou dost from them both pro - ceed.
flow, All gifts that from the Spir - it flow.

Text: *Veni Creator Spiritus*; attr. to Rabanus Maurus, 776–856; tr. by Edward Caswall, 1814–1878, alt.
Tune: LAMBILLOTTE, LM with repeat; Louis Lambillotte, SJ, 1796–1855

Invocation and Introduction:

Let us continue as one expression of God's people. + Father, Son, Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

May the Love of God, the care and compassion of the Incarnation, and the Fire of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Greeting:

Penitential Rite:

Richard Rohr reminds us, “that Jesus identifies forgiveness with breathing, the one thing that we have done constantly since we were born and will do until we die.” He says God’s forgiveness is like breathing. Forgiveness then is not apparently something God does; it is who God is. Knowing this, we turn to our God....breathing in God’s love, grace, and forgiveness.....breathing out peace.....

Creating Breath, your Breath ignites a holy fire in the world. Lord have mercy.... ***Lord have mercy***

Incarnational Breath, you are the Breath within our breath. Christ have mercy.... ***Christ have mercy***

Spirit Breath, breathe in us, O Breath of God that forgiveness might be who we are as well. Lord have mercy..... ***Lord have mercy***

May our loving God shower grace upon us, forgive us our sins, heal our brokenness, and lead us to everlasting life. ***Amen.***

Let us grab those holy noisemakers.....

Gloria

Marty Haugen

Refrain: Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to all peo-ple on earth.

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1. Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa-ther, we

10

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

16

2. Lord Je-sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,

23

you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are

31

seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re - ceive our prayer.

37

3. For you a - lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

42

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho-ly

49

Spir-it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men

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Opening Prayer

Let us pray.... Spirit of God, You show us the sacredness of all the earth and all her creatures. You reveal Yourself in breath, fire, wind, water, and dirt. May we celebrate with burning hearts Your gifts within us and the warmth of Your passionate love in the outpouring of Your grace everywhere. May we join with others in works of justice and peace for our world. In Jesus' name we pray: **Amen.**

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading:

Our First Reading is from Acts (2:1-11).

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they all met in one room. Suddenly they heard what sounded like a violent, rushing wind from heaven; the noise filled the entire house in which they were sitting. Something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each one. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other languages as she enabled them.

Now there were devout people living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled. But they were bewildered to hear their native languages being spoken. They were amazed and astonished: “Surely all of these people speaking are Galileans! How does it happen that each of us hears their words in our native tongue? We are Parthians, Medes and Elamites, people from Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya around Cyrene, as well as visitors from Rome — all Jews, or converts to Judaism — Cretans and Arabs, too.

This has been a reading from Acts ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 104: # 60 Lord, Send Out Your Spirit

Psalm 104: Lord, Send Out Your Spirit

Refrain

Lord, send out your Spir-it, and re - new the face of the earth!

**May be sung as a canon.*

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Second Reading:

Our Second Reading is from the 1st Letter to the Corinthians (12:3-7, 12-13)

It is for this reason that I want you to understand that no one can be speaking under the influence of the Holy Spirit and say, “Curse Jesus”; by the same token, no one can say, “Jesus Christ reigns supreme,” unless under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There are a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit. There are a variety of ministries, but we serve the same One. There are a variety of outcomes, but the same God who is working in all of them.

To each person is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

The body is one, even though it has many parts; all the parts — many though they are — comprise a single body. And so it is with Christ. It was by one Spirit that all of us, whether we are Jews or Greeks, slaves or citizens, were baptized into one body. All of us have been given to drink of the one Spirit.

This has been a reading from the 1st Letter to the Corinthians.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

ALLELUIA

1. *Cantor, then all:* 2. 3.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Music: *Mass of Remembrance*, Marty Haugen, © 1987, GIA Publications, Inc.

Gospel Reading:

The Risen Christ be with you all. ***And also with you.***

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (20:19-23a). ***Glory to you, O God+***

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were locked in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Temple authorities. Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Having said this, he showed them the marks of crucifixion. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw Jesus, who said to them again, "Peace be with you. As Abba God sent me, so I am sending you." After saying this, Jesus breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

The Gospel according to John.

Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Homily

Prayers of the People

Response: Holy Wisdom, be with us. ***Holy Wisdom, be with us.***

For our world and its leaders, that the Holy Spirit may breathe compassion and generosity into their hearts, and so that particular care may be given to the marginalized in communities across the globe. We pray: ***Holy Wisdom, be with us.***

For all Christians across the globe who are celebrating Pentecost this weekend, especially for our sisters and brothers of Bethlehem Lutheran. That the Holy Spirit may breathe into all our hearts and inspire us to find what unites us and work together to create a world where Christ's justice, peace, and love flourish. We pray: ***Holy Wisdom, be with us.***

For those who are sick, and for those who care for the sick. For those who feel isolated and alone. For those who struggle. (We pray especially for _____.) That the Holy Spirit may breathe God's love in and through them each day. We pray: ***Holy Wisdom, be with us.***

For those who have died, (especially _____). For those who grieve and mourn the loss of friends, family, and companions. That the Holy Spirit may gather their souls into Her gentle, loving embrace. We pray: ***Holy Wisdom, be with us.***

Fr. Teri will now read the prayers that have been typed in the comments (PAUSE until Teri tells you to go on.) For these and for all the prayers we share through our hearts, we pray: ***Holy Wisdom, be with us.***

In addition, Prayer Partners will be available after Mass here in the Sanctuary by the back altar. For those at home, or those who have a prayer to share during the week, you can email our Prayer Companion Team at prayercompanionteam@lightofchristecc.org and someone will reach out to you. These prayer ministries welcome and invite you, in confidence, to share your concerns in more detail or depth, or even to pray for you when you can't find the words.

Collect:

Sign of Peace

Offertory Song: #477 Send Down the Fire

Send Down the Fire

Refrain

Send down the fire of your jus - tice,
 Send down the rains of your love; Come,
 send down the Spir - it, breathe life in your peo - ple, and
 we shall be peo - ple of God.

Verses

1. Call us to be your com - pas - sion,
 2. Call us to learn of your mer - cy,
 3. Call us to an - swer op - pres - sion,
 4. Call us to wit - ness your King - dom,

Teach us the song of your love; Give us
 Teach us the way of your peace; Give us
 Teach us the fire of your truth; Give us
 Give us the pres - ence of Christ; May your

hearts that sing, Give us deeds that ring, Make us
 hearts that feel, Give us hands that heal, Make us
 right - eous souls, 'Til your jus - tice rolls, Make us
 ho - ly light Keep us shin - ing bright, Ev - er

ring with the song of your love.
 walk in the way of your peace.
 burn with the fire of your truth.
 shine with the pres - ence of Christ.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preface:

Blessed are you, Loving God of all Creation, through your goodness we have this bread and this wine and other food from our own cupboards to place on your Table. Work of earth and human hands. May these become our spiritual food and drink. ***Blessed be God forever.***

Blessed are you, Loving God of all Creation, through your goodness we have these gifts to place on your table. They represent our entire lives, and all that we have to offer. These gifts have traveled through purses, pockets, and even the mail. May these become the Light of Christ in your world. ***Blessed be God forever.***

Pray my sisters and brothers, my family, that these our gifts, our lives may continue to be blessed by our Loving God.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at our hands, for the praise and glory of God's name, for our good and the good of all God's world.

The peace of our God be with you all. ***And also with you.***

Open up our hearts. ***We open them up to God.***

Let us give thanks to our Loving God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Divine Flame of Love, your glowing embers dance in our hearts. Your passionate presence kindles our souls. You purify us with the searing truth that ignites our spirits. Today we celebrate your nearness and remember your Pentecost promise and presence.

Eucharistic Prayer:

Beloved Creator, You have affirmed us as your beloved creation. You have energized us to keep on keeping on – working for justice and peace in the world, and spreading the news that all are welcome in your tent which

you have pitched over all of our tables and gathered us together as one. We are grateful, and together with all of the holy choirs of heaven and earth we are glad to say:

Sanctus Marty Haugen

7 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
 13 might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry.
 18 Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 23 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 28 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est!

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The Words of Institution:

God, Goodness of the World, you prepare tables before us. Send your Holy Spirit upon us gathered around these tables throughout your world and gathered as your Body that we may become signs of your love and transforming work in the world. + Let also your Spirit come upon these gifts of bread and wine before us to make them holy so that they may become for us the Body and Blood of our brother, Jesus the Christ.

Today, we gather to remember that on the night before he died, Jesus ate with his followers and his friends. We recall how he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it, he broke it, and gave it to them saying - ***"Take this all of you and eat it. This is my body which will be given up for you."***

We remember also, that on the night before Jesus died, He took the cup filled with wine, and after giving thanks, passed it to his friends, saying, **"Take this all of you and drink from it. This is the cup of my blood. The blood of the new and everlasting covenant. It will be shed for you and for all so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."**

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.....

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



When we eat this bread, when we drink this
cup, we pro - claim your death, Lord Je - sus, un - til you
come, un - til you come in glo - ry!

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As we celebrate this memory of Jesus, let us pray that we, like all the people gathered in the Upper Room on the First Pentecost will burn with love for the God of Surprises who breaks the bread of life and pours the cup of overflowing grace over all of creation. May our hearts be joyful on our journey as we dream new dreams and see new visions. May we recognize Christ present in every person everywhere, broken and blessed and shared. Every day as we care for each other, may we encounter the God who dwells with us anew. May we become Spirit-Fire as we fan the flames of love over the entire cosmos.

Be with our family and friends, the young and the old, the sick and the dying. Bless. Protect. Heal. Encourage. And comfort all who need your grace, O God. We remember our chosen shepherds in our prayer as well, especially Bishop Kae and Bishop Paul. May your blessed fire re-ignite within them a spark of imagination and renewal. May all creation dance in

your presence. May we become one heart, one mind, one spirit with everything. May we turn away from efforts to dominate anyone or anything. May we see your face in the stars, the wind, the sun, and the moon. May your love kindle our friendship with all the saints, including Mary the mother of Jesus, Mary of Magdala, John the evangelist, our patron saints, and the countless friends and ancestors who have died in the hope of rising again. May we one day dwell with them in love with You forever and ever. Together now, we say.....

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours all loving God, forever and ever.

Amen Marty Haugen



Al - le - lu - ia, a - men! Al - le - lu - ia, a - men!

Lent: Praise to you, Lord, a - men! Praise to you, Lord, a - men!

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HAIL MARY/LORD'S PRAYER

Let us join hearts together, a symbol of how God is circling the world right now and prayer words that have been prayed for centuries.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us (children), now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

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 the Kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Agnus Dei

Marty Haugen

1.&4. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the
2. Prince of Peace,
3. Bread of Life,

5 world: have mer - cy on us.

10 world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

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This is the Living God. This is the Body and Blood of Christ. The one who transforms the world with love. The one who transforms us. Blessed are we who are called to this meal.

God, I am ready to receive you. Because by your invitation, I am here.

Invitation to Communion:

We are invited to these tables just as we are. Wherever you are on this journey of life, you are welcome here: here in this place, here in this community, here at this table. Let us look for God in the breaking of this bread. For those of you at home, receive the grace that God and Christ share with you this day.

Communion Song: # 481 Spirit Blowing Through Creation

Spirit Blowing through Creation

Verses



1. Spir - it blow - ing through cre - a - tion,
2. As you moved up - on the wa - ters,
3. Love that sends the riv - ers danc - ing,
4. All the crea - tures you have fash - ioned,



Spir - it burn - ing in the skies,
As you ride up - on the wind,
Love that wa - ters all that lives,
All that live and breathe in you,



Let the hope of your sal - va - tion fill our eyes;
Move us all, your sons and daugh - ters deep with - in;
Love that heals and holds and rous - es and for - gives;
Find their hope in your com - pas - sion, strong and true;



God of splen - dor, God of glo - ry,
As you shaped the hills and moun - tains,
You are food for all your crea - tures,
You, O Spir - it of sal - va - tion,



You who light the stars a - bove,
Formed the land and filled the deep,
You are hun - ger in the soul,
You a - lone, be - neath, a - bove,



All the heav - ens tell the sto - ry of your love. *(To verse 2)*
Let your hand re - new and wak - en all who sleep. *(To refrain)*
In your hands the bro - ken - heart - ed are made whole. *(To verse 4)*
Come, re - new your whole cre - a - tion in your love. *(To refrain)*

Refrain

Spir - it re - new - ing the earth, re - new - ing the hearts of all
peo - ple; Burn in the wea - ry souls,
blow through the si - lent lips, come now a - wake us,
Spir - it of God.

Text: Manty Haugen, b.1950
Tune: Manty Haugen, b.1950
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Prayer after Communion:

Let us pray... O God, In the name of the Fire and Flame and Light, may this meal that we share today be a spark within us, fanning the flames of your love. Fuel our hearts with your Divine energy. Thank you for walking hand in hand with us on our journey. Breathe new urgency into our love of life. In your Holy Name we pray: **Amen.**

The Love of God be with you. **And also with you.**

Blessing and Dismissal:

Let us open our hearts and ask for God's blessing.

May the fire of God's love ignite our hearts in love assuring us that God has called together for exactly this time; may the Flame of God radiate through us; may the Brightness of truth and justice burn within us forever. And may God bless us all, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Please stay after Mass for some ice cream provided by Parish Council.
Please repeat our sending forth after me:

We are Light of Christ.... **We are Light of Christ**

Let us go forth as such..... **Let us go forth as such**

Loving and serving God..... **Loving and serving God**


As we get to love and serve in God's world. **As we get to love and serve
in God's world.**

Thanks be to God..... **Thanks be to God.**


Closing Hymn: # 473 Spirit Wind

Spirit Wind

Refrain




Spir-it Wind, Breath of God, breathe new life in - to the world.




Spir-it Wind, Breath of God, breathe new life in - to the world.

Verses




1. My soul cries out, "O bless the Lord!" O God, you
2. If you should take a - way our breath, what could we
3. All praise and thanks are yours, O God; may you re -



are the Ho - ly One; so man - y works your hands have
do but fall to dust? When you send forth the breath of
joice in all your works. May you find joy in us as

D.C.



made through - out the earth.
life we rise a - gain!
we re - joice in you!

Text: Psalm 104; Scott Soper, b.1961
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