

The Day of Pentecost

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Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church Canada

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The Day of Pentecost

8:30 & 11:00 am - Divine Services

9:45 am - Sunday School and Bible Classes for All Ages

9:45 a.m. - Plan to Protect Refresher Training in Panel Room

10:00 am - NYG 2019 Mandatory Meeting

12:15 am - Refugee Day Event & Lunch

3:30 pm - Slovak Service

Monday, 7:00 pm - Evening Divine Service

Call to Worship Bells

Words of Welcome

Opening Hymn

William P. Mackay, 1837–85

Revive Us Again

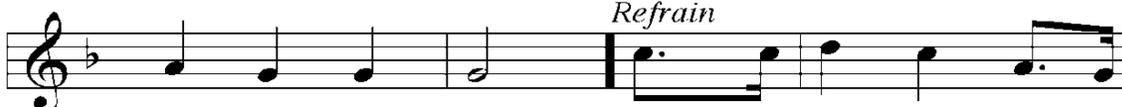
John J. Husband, 1760–1825



1 We praise Thee, O God! for the Son of Thy
 2 We praise Thee, O God! for Thy Spir - it of
 3 All glo - ry and praise to the Lamb that was
 4 All glo - ry and praise to the God of all
 5 Re - vive us a - gain; fill each heart with Thy



love, For Je - sus who died, and is
 light, Who hath shown us our Sav - ior, and
 slain, Who hath borne all our sins, and hath
 grace, Who hast brought us, and sought us, and
 love; May each soul be re - kin - dled with



Refrain
 now gone a - bove. Hal - le - lu - jah! Thine the
 scat - tered our night. Hal - le - lu - jah! Thine the
 cleansed ev - 'ry stain.
 guid - ed our ways.
 fire from a - bove.



glo - ry, Hal - le - lu - jah! A - men; Hal - le -



lu - jah! Thine the glo - ry, Re - vive us a - gain.

Invocation and Opening Sentences

from Psalm 143:8,10

Pastor In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

Pastor Let me hear in the morning of Your steadfast love,

People **for in You I trust.**

Pastor Make me know the way I should go,

People **for to You I lift up my soul.**

Pastor Teach me to do Your will,

People **for You are my God!**

Pastor Let Your good Spirit lead me

People **on level ground!**

Confession and Forgiveness of Sins

Pastor If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Pastor Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

Pastor Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People **Amen.**

Hymn

Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid *LSB #500*

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 11:1-9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." ⁵And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. ⁶And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." ⁸So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

Pastor This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading: Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?

⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.

¹⁵For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day.

¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷"And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams;

¹⁸even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out My Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. ²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Pastor This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem (11 am - Women's Group)

"Be Still" by David Evans

Holy Gospel: St. John 14:23-31

Pastor The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

People **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Pastor ²³Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴Whoever does not love Me does not keep My words. And the word that you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me.

²⁵"These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you.

Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. ²⁸You heard Me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved Me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. ³⁰I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on Me, ³¹but I do as the Father has commanded Me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.

Pastor This is the Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Apostles' Creed

All **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn of the Day

Holy Spirit Ever Dwelling LSB #650

Sermon

St. John 14:23-31

“THE COUNSELOR”

Offertory



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Parish Announcements and Gathering of Offering

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

All 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.

Benedicamus and Benediction

Pastor Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Pastor 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 favour and give you peace.

People **Amen.**

Hymn

There is a Redeemer

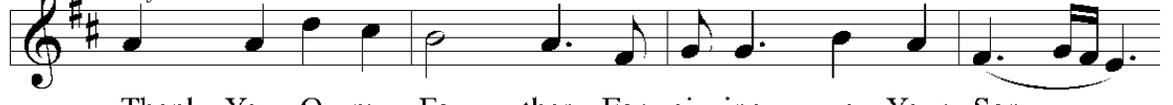


1 There is a Re - deem - er— Je - sus, God's own Son;
 2 Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, Name a - bove all names;
 3 When I stand in glo - ry, I will see His face;



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - ly One.
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si - ah, Hope for sin - ners slain.
 There I'll serve my King for-ev - er In that ho - ly place.

Refrain



Thank You, O my Fa - ther, For giv-ing us Your Son,



And leav - ing Your Spir-it Till the work on earth is done.

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Serving in Worship

Officiant..... Pastor Nolan Astley
Organist..... Jennifer Massicotte (*Sunday*), Anne Forler (*Monday*)
Special Music..... Madison Neustaedter, Gabrielle George (*piano*)
Acolytes Finnley Gallacher (*8:30*), Amy Khazaei (*11:00*)
Sound Operators Ken Griffin (*8:30*), Mike Koch, Ben Branje (*11:00*)

Prayer Concerns: In our prayers today we remember **Joe Kirkey** who has been in hospital this past week. We rejoice with **Kurt and Minnie Boese who will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary** this coming Tuesday. We continue to uphold the two refugee families we seek to sponsor to come to Canada – **the Shir-Karami family in Denmark and the Freij family in Palestine**. We ask God to pave the way for these families to come to Canada to begin new chapters in their lives. We also uphold the work of **Canadian Lutheran World Relief** as they partner with churches in Canada to bring humanitarian aid to people around the world.

Staff Holidays ... Debbie Pritchard will be away on vacation from *Tuesday, June 11 to Monday, July 1*. Janet Cumby returns to the office on Tuesday and Pastor Syens on Wednesday.

NYG 2019 Mandatory Meeting – Today, **June 9th at 10 a.m.** in the youth centre there will be a mandatory meeting for all youth attending the National Youth Gathering. At least one parent from each family needs to be in attendance.

Refugee Day Event & Lunch following the Late Service today in the church basement.

Today's Education Hour...

Adult Bible Class will focus on the letter of Christ to the Church at Pergamum in Revelation 2. Do you compromise your faith for the sake of prosperity? Is there a way to keep up with the ways of the world and still remain faithful to Christ? These are a couple of the questions these Christians wrestled with and that we still struggle with today. Grab a coffee and join the discussion at 10 am in the Sanctuary.

Adult Information Class at 9:45 a.m. will continue in the library as we discuss "*Prayer and Worship*" and "*How to live a Devotional Life*". Anyone who is interested is invited to come and join this class for any or all of the sessions.

Coming Events...

Care and Protect: Everyone *must* take a refresher training each year. The dates available for those sessions are: **Sunday, June 9 at 9:45 am; Sunday, June 23 at 12:15 pm; or Wednesday, July 3 at 9:30 am**. If you haven't taken training before you will need the full training session that we're now offering again on **Tuesday, June 25 at 6:30 pm**. If you have any questions please contact Janet Cumby, Jennifer Leppek or Lenora Wallden.

Please Note...

Attention Parents of Confirmation Students: Late last week you should have received an email from Pastor Astley asking your input on possibly changing the time of confirmation instruction from Wednesday evenings to the Sunday morning Sunday School hour. If you did not receive this email please speak to Pastor Astley today so we can get your input into this possible change of schedule. No decision has been made at this time, but the concerns of parents are at the forefront as we consider this change.

Building Renovations: Work begins this week on the installation of air conditioning in the sanctuary. God-willing, this project will be completed before the beginning of VBS! We give thanks to God for the strong support that has been shown for the Renovation Fund. To date congregational members have raised \$69,177 toward upgrades to our building. Our matching grant donor has provided \$100,000 so that work can get started. We will continue to encourage donations to raise the remaining \$30,823 of our goal. Once those funds are raised our donor has promised an additional \$100,000 matching gift. In addition to air conditioning of the sanctuary we are planning to address washroom renovations and install new washrooms on the main floor, upgrade the parlour, and enhance video projection in the sanctuary. Again thanks be to God for this opportunity to address some long standing concerns!

Last Week at Holy Cross...

Sunday Attendance:	81 & 168 & 21			
Nuer Attendance:	200	Total	470	(*18 – 332)
Sunday School:	Pupils: 32	Staff: 8	Total 40	(*18 – 44)
Adult Bible Class:	Pupils: 52	Staff: 1	Total 53	(*18 – 54)
Adult Instruction Class:	Pupils: 12	Staff: 1	Total 13	
YABS:	Pupils: 5	Staff: 2	Total 7	(*18 – 9)
Youth Bible Class:	Pupils: 10	Staff: 1	Total 11	(*18 – 5)

Memorial: In memory of **REV. RICHARD EISSFELD** to the Church Improvement Fund from Cliff & Sherry Swartz-Hill.

Thankoffering: In honour of **RICHARD & CHRISTINE SEIP's** 30th Wedding Anniversary to the Refugee Family Sponsorship Fund from Victoria & Elizabeth Seip.

Weekly Calendar

Monday June 10 to Sunday June 16, 2019

Monday	Evening Divine Service, Church	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Youth Study Night, <i>Downstairs</i>	6:00 p.m.
Thursday	Beginnings, <i>Downstairs</i>	9:30 a.m.
	Stephen Ministry, <i>Panel Room</i>	1:30 p.m.
Sunday	The Holy Trinity	
	Holy Communion Service, Church	8:30 a.m.
	Sunday School, <i>Downstairs</i>	9:45 a.m.
	Adult Bible Class, <i>Church</i>	9:45 a.m.
	Adult Information Class, <i>Church Library</i>	9:45 a.m.
	YABS, <i>Conference Room</i>	9:45 a.m.
	Youth Bible Class, <i>Youth Centre</i>	9:45 a.m.

Holy Communion Service, Church..... 11:00 a.m.
Nuer Language Service, Church.....2:00 p.m.