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**ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!** He is risen, indeed! Alleluia! We use that ancient greeting even on this Day of Pentecost, the fiftieth day of the Easter Season and both an Old Testament and New Testament festival of its own. We are pleased that you have come here to receive God's gift of forgiveness that is offered every time we gather around Word and Sacrament. We invite you to return on the Sundays after Pentecost, to participate in any of our congregation's other activities, and to make Pilgrim your church home!

**AS YOU ARRIVE**, please move down the pew towards the wall, in order to leave room for others. If you arrive late, please wait for an appropriate time to enter the sanctuary, such as during a hymn. Please also remember to turn off your cell phones and/or any other electronic devices. Thank you!

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** To your right you will find today's order of service. The right side of that outline indicates from where the item listed comes: either in this bulletin or the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*, with the Psalms towards the front, its liturgical pages towards the middle, and its hymns towards the back. The △ symbol before a hymn stanza indicates that it especially gives glory to the Triune God; we stand before singing the stanza and, in most cases, conclude the stanza by singing "Amen.", if an "Amen" is not already included.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** At Pilgrim we value your presence among us and love and care about our guests and visitors! However, due to the sad divisions that exist in the world and even in Christianity, we cannot commune everyone at the Lord's Table here. We respectfully ask that guests and visitors who desire to commune first speak with the pastor well before the service. All those present but not communing still may approach the rail for a blessing: come forward and kneel with those who are communing, but fold your arms over your heart and place your hands on the opposite shoulders. For more information about the ancient practice of Closed Communion, see <http://www.pilgrimlc.org/closed-communion>.

**INDIVIDUAL CUPS:** The top of the tray contains several individual cups of highly-diluted wine. If you receive the blood of Christ in an individual cup, please be sure to wait to consume it until Pastor comes by with the chalice, so that he knows you are receiving it in that fashion. If the supply of individual cups is depleted, please accept the blood of Christ from the chalice.

**+++ IN THE NAME OF JESUS +++**

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**+++ TO GOD ALONE BE THE GLORY +++**

## INTROIT:



(Sing the Introit responsively using the tone provided.  
The congregation sings the indented and bold portions of the text.  
See LSB xxvi for how the tone and text correspond.)

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,\*  
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luia.  
O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you | made them  
all;\*  
the earth is full of your | creatures.  
These all | look to you,\*  
to give them their food in due | season.  
When you give it to them, they gath- | er it up,\*  
when you open your hand, they are filled with | good things.  
When you send forth your Spirit, they are cre- | ated,\*  
and you renew the face | of the ground.  
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***  
**and to the Holy | Spirit;**  
**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***  
**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,\*  
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luia.

*Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text*

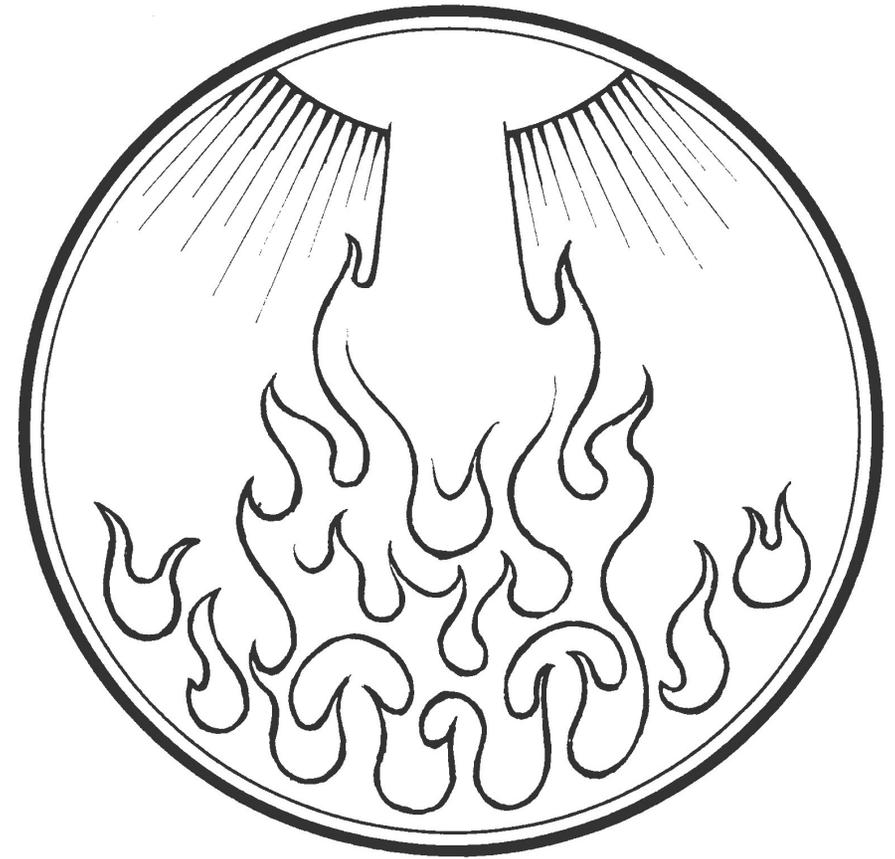
## GRADUAL:



(Sing the Gradual responsively as the Introit using the tone provided.  
Each of the Gradual's half-lines corresponds to one fourth of the double tone.)

I will pour out my Spirit | on all flesh.\*  
and your sons and your daughters shall | prophesy.  
With the heart one believes and is | justified,\*  
and with the mouth one confesses | and is saved.

*Adapted from Acts 2:17b; Romans 10:10*



***Divided tongues as of fire  
appeared to Jesus's disciples  
and rested on each one of them.***

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 8, 2025

**BEFORE THE SERVICE:** As you greet and visit one another, please be sensitive to others who may wish an opportunity for silence to pray and otherwise to prepare for worship.

**OFFERING BOX:** Offerings may be placed in the Offering Box in the Narthex before or after services. Envelopes are available on the side of the Box for your use, such as if you would like your cash offering to be recorded, tracked, and receipted in a report back to you.

**PEW CUSHIONS:** If you would like to use a cushion either for your seat or for your seat and back, cushions for your use are available in the Usher's Closet off the north side of the Narthex.

**PEW SLIPS:** *Visitors*, please register your attendance both by completing a slip from rack on the back of the pews and placing them in the Offering Box in the Narthex and by signing the Guest Register at the door. *Members*, please complete a slip only if your contact information has changed or you have a new or updated prayer-list request. (The Usher tracks church attendance and communion participation.)

**GROWING IN WORSHIP:** Parents, please make use of the bulletins available in the Narthex for children aged 5-10, including the bulletins' activities for the whole week!

**LARGER-PRINT/FLOW-THROUGH BINDERS** are available in the Narthex for those who have trouble seeing the smaller-print of the hymnal, those with other special needs who cannot follow the liturgy in the hymnal or handle its weight, and those who are visiting Pilgrim who are not already familiar with liturgical services and/or our hymnal. If you need or otherwise want to use a flow-through and can help minimize paper and copying expenses, a PDF of the flow-through binder's contents is available in the upper-right corner of Pilgrim's homepage, [www.pilgrimlc.org](http://www.pilgrimlc.org), to open on or to download to your electronic device.

**PRAYER REQUEST:** If you have a special petition for the Prayers of the Church, please notify the Usher, Elder on Duty, or Pastor before the service.

**IF A NEED SHOULD ARISE,** Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Restrooms are available in the Parish Hall (non-ADA Restrooms are available in the Office Area, one with a change table), and there is a Cry

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Room (also with a change table) off the south side of the Narthex. Let the Usher or Elder-on-Duty know if you need assistance or supplies.

**JITSI AND YOUTUBE:** Our ongoing transition from Skype is still a work in progress, and we appreciate everyone's understanding as we experience some glitches in our offering live virtual participation in Adult Bible Classes and Midweek Bible Studies via Jitsi and live remote viewing of Divine Services via YouTube. We do not pay for technical support, and so we especially appreciate Remo Gualtieri's and Ben Ford's volunteer efforts.

**"RESURRECTION AND REVELATION"** was the theme for Pilgrim's Sunday-morning Special Sermon Series, based on the Second Readings drawn from the book of Revelation that are appointed for the Second through Seventh Sundays of the Easter Season in this year of our Three-Year Lectionary Series. For more information on the Series, visit <https://www.pilgrimlc.org/easter-2025>; and, for the sermons themselves, visit <http://www.pilgrimlc.org/sermons>.

**LAST WEEK:** There were 0 students but 1 teacher prepared for Sunday School; 16 people were present in person for Adult Bible Class, and another 1 participated via Jitsi; 34 were present in person for the Sunday Divine Service (27 communed), and another 1 participated via Jitsi; and 5 were present in person for Midweek Bible Study, and another 3 participated via Jitsi. (Thursday-evening Catechesis was not held due to the illness of one of the catechumens.)

**THANKS** to all those caring for the inside and outside of Pilgrim's facilities; to Rev. Adler for the use of his chasubles; to Remo Gualtieri and all those helping with the video and audio for classes and services; to Katy Myers for website graphics work; and to Ellen Menconi for Church Office work.

**SERVING TODAY:** The Rev. Dr. Jayson S. Galler, Pastor; Don Gibson, Elder on Duty; and Elaine Navaille, Accompanist

**LIFE THOUGHTS:** Anything from an unwanted pregnancy to a declining loved-one can trouble us and make us afraid, but Jesus calls us not to let our hearts be troubled or afraid (John 14:27). More importantly, He gives us peace with the Father so that we do not need to be troubled or afraid.

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS:** On the Old Testament Pentecost, people offered the first-fruits of their wheat and oats harvests, and, on the New Testament Pentecost, the Holy Spirit brought in the first-fruits of the Gospel's harvest (Acts 2:41). What first-fruits of our harvests do we offer?

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**AS YOU DEPART**, please be mindful of those who are ushered out behind you, who may have difficulty standing and waiting, and so who may need an open path to the door and to get to their cars quickly. If you stop to talk to someone in the Sanctuary, please keep the aisle as clear as possible, and please delay lengthier conversations with the pastor until after he has greeted everyone. Thank you for your consideration!

**AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX** are hardcopies of Pastor Galler's recent newspaper columns (including his 06/07 column, "The pope's being black matters less than Jesus's being human"); the June edition of Pilgrim's monthly newsletter *The Pilgrimage*; the larger-print schedule of Daily Bible Reading for June and July; *Portals of Prayer* for July-September 2025; the Winter 2025 edition of *Christian Culture: A Magazine for Lutherans* from Luther Classical College (and some hardcopies of the Fall 20204 edition, too); the latest Church Directory (dated 2024/12/22, printed on darker-purple paper); and Pilgrim's Funeral Planning Worksheet for completing, discussing with Pastor Galler, and filing in the Church Office.

**STUDY HOURS:** Pastor Galler is usually in his study Tuesdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesdays through Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and Saturdays Noon to 3:00 p.m. Come for Individual Confession and Absolution (see *Lutheran Service Book* 292-293) or for any other reason. Pastor Galler is also available at other times by appointment at Pilgrim, or he can come to you (email [pastor@pilgrimlc.org](mailto:pastor@pilgrimlc.org) or text/call 903-984-4333). For emergency pastoral care, please call Pastor Galler.

**ELDERS' MEETING:** Pilgrim's next Elders' Meeting is scheduled for this Tuesday, June 10, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library. If you have an item of concern that the Elders should address, please share it with Pastor Galler, your Elder, or one of the other Elders before then. Elders will please come having read and being prepared to discuss Augsburg Confession and Apology Article IX: Baptism, *Concordia*, pp.35, 152-153.

**MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY:** Join us for "Salvation History is Our Story" this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in-person in the Conference Room/Library and on-line. We will begin our discussion of Revelation 21:9-27, the "New Jerusalem". (If Jitsi is not working for you, feel free to call the church phone in order to be conferenced in.) Find past sessions at [www.pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/salvation-history](http://www.pilgrimlc.org/bible-studies/salvation-history).

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**CATECHESIS:** Pastor Galler is scheduled to teach an in-person class on the Small Catechism on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room/Library.

**NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:15 a.m. Refreshments; 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class ("Romans: The Righteousness of God"); and 10:45 a.m. Divine Service.

Readings: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Acts 2:14a, 22-36; and John 8:48-59.

Hymns: LSB 498, 507, 798, 810, and 578.

Prepare yourself for worship by praying about, reading over, and meditating on the appointed Scripture and Hymns.

**CELEBRATE LIFE RALLY:** Plan now to attend Right to Life East Texas's Celebrate Life Rally on Saturday, June 21, at 10:00 a.m. at the Gregg County Courthouse Lawn. More information should be forthcoming.

**PILGRIM'S MARY/MARTHA SOCIETY** will gather next on Sunday, June 22, after the Divine Service for lunch and some cleaning. All women are invited and welcome!

**PRESENTATION OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION:** Divine Service will be offered June 25 at 7:00 p.m.

**FIFTH-SUNDAY MEAL/CHURCH PICNIC:** Mark June 29 on your calendar now for what will be the next "quarterly" congregational meal and Church Picnic after the Divine Service in the Great Room of the Parish Hall. All are invited and welcome! Watch for details about what, if any, food will be provided and what you can bring to share. There will also be the opportunity to play games after the meal.

**"CARE OF SOULS IN A SEXUALIZED SOCIETY"** is the title of a workshop by The Rev. Dr. Rick Marrs of Concordia Seminary St. Louis on June 30-July 2 at Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Plano. Although designed for pastors, the workshop will offer much to others, as well. Come and gain new and valuable insights in how to serve, love, and instruct people struggling to live chaste and decent lives. The cost is \$150, and you can register online at [www.csl.edu/event/prof-insights-marrs-in-plano-tx/](http://www.csl.edu/event/prof-insights-marrs-in-plano-tx/)

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Longview is offering VBS the evenings of July 15-17. If you would like to volunteer and/or to enroll students, feel free to text/call Barbara Wuthrich at 903-720-3525.

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