

# Sunday, June 8, 2025

## Day of Pentecost



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### ***MISSION STATEMENT***

*We will **LIVE** and **SERVE** through **FAITH***

*We will **ACT** with **LOVE** and **KINDNESS***

*We will **GIVE** hope and **SUPPORT** to all.*

*We are a community that is passionate about sharing the love of Jesus Christ,  
and we provide as many opportunities as we can to help everyone grow  
spiritually, and in loving service to the community and the world.*

*We actively seek to lead lives that draw us into a closer relationship with God.*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

“Come Now is the Time to Worship”

CCLI#2430948

**Chorus:** Come, now is the time to worship.  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship.  
Come, just as you are before your God, come.

One day every tongue will confess You are God.

One day every knee will bow.

Still the greatest treasure remains

For those who gladly choose You now. **Chorus**

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## WELCOME

### OPENING WORDS

On this day of fire and wind, of breath and boldness  
we gather, not by our own power, but by the Spirit who calls us.

**Come, Holy Spirit! Stir in us what the world still needs.**

Some of us come with joy. Some with weariness.

Some carrying questions. All of us beloved.

**Come, Holy Spirit! Speak in a language our hearts can understand.**

We are not here by accident.

The same Spirit that hovered over creation now hovers here.

**Come, Holy Spirit! Flame of hope, breath of God, power of love.**

Let us worship the One who makes all things new.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRAYER & CARE LIST:

**COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED** Please sign up so we may continue to enjoy coffee & fellowship after service. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board mounted in the Fellowship Hall next to the serving window.

**LECTORS NEEDED** we are looking for volunteers to read aloud the scriptures on Sunday mornings and Wednesdays during Lent. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the Narthex and include the weekly readings.

**BIKE/WALK FOR JUSTICE AGAINST HUNGER** WELCA sponsored event to Celebrate 50 Years of World Work Hunger. The registration fee is \$10 without a tee shirt -\$15 with tee shirt -\$25 max per family. The time line is from Spring Conferences until July 31st to keep track of your miles. Register on-line at the link below. Send your \$10 registration fee as a check to NEMN Synod, 1111 London Road, Duluth MN 55802. Gather pledges for your Bike/Walk and send your donations to the same address in Duluth. We suggest a goal of at least \$100. Include the notation “WELCA Bike/Walk for Hunger” on the memo line in your checks. Bike/Walk Registration forms are available in the Fellowship Hall.

**CHRISTIAN LADIES AROUND THE LAKE** Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 12:30pn at Tulibee Tavern in Walkon, Lunch & Speaker \$15.75. See poster on bulletin board in Narthex for more information.

**ATTENTION LAWN MOWERS** when mowing the grass, please avoid blowing the clippings into the base of the LED Sign, sidewalks, driveway, or parking lot. Clippings grow into weeds. Also, fill up the lawnmower with gas when finished. Thank You.

**LET’S GO FISHING** Three trips are planned for Bethesda this summer.

1. June 26<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 on Rice Lake.
2. July 17<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 on Bay Lake.
3. Nature Tour on Aug 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 on Rice Lake.

See sign-up sheets in Narthex heading into the Fellowship Hall to sign up for these trips.

**VBS HELP NEEDED** As the Vacation Bible School dates of June 16-19 get closer there are ways to help prepare. Check the donation & help wanted board, in the Fellowship Hall, to see if items or help is still needed. Please plan to stay after coffee on June 15<sup>th</sup> to take down tables and chairs. Invite more kids!! Walk ins are welcome. Also, does anyone have a one-person pup tent we could use that week? See Joanne Stueven if you can help.

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**THIS WEEK AT Bethesda**

**June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Monday	6/9	9:00 am	Women’s Devotion
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		10:00 am	Property Meeting
		11:30 am	Cards
		7:00 pm	AA/Alanon
Tuesday	6/10	9:00 am	Chair Yoga
		9:00 am	Quilters
		4:00 pm	Bell Practice
Wednesday	6/11	9:00 am	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	6/12	8:00 am	ROMEOS
		9:15 am	Chair Yoga
Sunday	6/15	9:00 am	Sunday Worship in Person & live stream

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**TEMPLE TALK: Bike/Walk For Justice Against Hunger** **WELCA**

**OPENING HYMN**

**“Change My Heart, O God”** **CCLI#1565**

**Change my heart, O God. Make it ever true.**

**Change my heart, O God. May I be like you. (repeat)**

**You are the potter, I am the clay**

**Mold me and make me, this is what I pray**

**Change my heart, O God. Make it ever true.**

**Change my heart, O God. May I be like you. (repeat)**

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

In the name of the Creator who breathed over the waters, † the Christ who rose from the deep, and the Spirit who sets hearts ablaze. **Amen.**

People of God, we gather at the waters not to remember something long ago, but to be reminded of what is still true: You are loved. You are washed. You are Spirit-filled.

This water tells our story. It's the flood that carried Noah, the sea that split for Moses, the river where Jesus stood and the Spirit descended like fire. And it's the same water that claimed you, that still clings to you, that still says:

You belong. You are free. You are sent. So come, Spirit of the living God:

Renew this community. Reignite our wonder. Refresh our calling.

Let your power pour over us like a mighty stream. **Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.**

## **GREETING**

Beloved of God, the immeasurable grace upon grace of our Christ Jesus, the rich mercy and unconditional love of God, and the unity of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Spirit of the living God, **you come to comfort and to disrupt, to speak peace and to spark change. Descend on us again this day. Open our hearts to your presence, stretch our imaginations, and fill your church with joy, unity, and courage, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **PRAISE TEAM ANTHEM**

**“We Believe”**

**By the Newsboys CCLI #6367165**

<h2><b>SCRIPTURES</b></h2>
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### **SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 2:1-21**

<sup>1</sup> When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup> Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup> Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” <sup>12</sup> All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup> But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup> Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> ‘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.

<sup>18</sup> Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup> Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’ ”

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God**

### **PSALM 104:24-34, 35b**

<sup>24</sup> How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

<sup>25</sup> **Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.**

<sup>26</sup> There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

<sup>27</sup> **All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.**

<sup>28</sup> You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

<sup>29</sup> **When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

<sup>30</sup> You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

<sup>31</sup> **May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**

<sup>32</sup> You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

<sup>33</sup> **I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.**

<sup>34</sup> May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.

<sup>35b</sup> **Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!**

### **SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 8:14-17**

<sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup> it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God**

### **GOSPEL: John 14:8-17 [25-27]**

This is the story of God’s unconditional love flowing down.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>8</sup> Philip said to [Jesus,] “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” <sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? <sup>10</sup> Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup> Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup> Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

<sup>15</sup> “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup> This is

the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. [

<sup>25</sup> “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.”]

This is the story of grace upon grace that covers us. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

Reverend Christina Kadelbach

## **HYMN**

### **“CARRIER”**

**CCLI#5502725**

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me  
To preach good news to the poor,  
To bind up the broken-hearted  
And make you known even more.  
So that people living in darkness will see the great light

**Chorus:** I'll be the carrier of love and compassion  
I'll be the carrier of light to the world  
I'll be the carrier of hope and salvation  
I will go shine Your light to the world,  
I will go shine Your light to the world

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me  
Freedom and truth to proclaim  
Trade your ashes for the oil of gladness  
And your sorrows for garments of praise.

**Chorus:** I'll be the carrier of love and compassion  
I'll be the carrier of light to the world  
I'll be the carrier of hope and salvation  
I will go shine Your light to the world,  
I will go shine Your light to the world

Here am I, send me, send me. Here am I, send me, send me  
Here am I, send me, send me. Here am I, send me, send me

**Chorus:** I'll be the carrier of love and compassion  
I'll be the carrier of light to the world  
I'll be the carrier of hope and salvation  
I will go shine Your light to the world,  
I will go shine Your light to the world  
  
I will go shine Your light to the world  
I will go shine Your light to the world

## **STATEMENT OF FAITH**

We believe in God, the Creator of wind and flame,  
who spoke life into being and called it good.

We believe in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, who walked among the  
broken, breathed peace into fear, and rose with wounds still visible so love could  
never be denied.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who came as fire and breath, who gathers and  
scatters the church, disrupts complacency and awakens courage.

We believe the Spirit still moves. We believe the church still lives.  
We believe we are still being made new. Thanks be to God. Amen.

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church,  
the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

Spirit of fire, awaken your church. Kindle in us the courage to speak your truth  
and love your people boldly. Let every tongue, tradition, and generation find a  
home at your table. Renew the hearts of pastors, deacons, and lay leaders  
especially in this place. Bless Bethesda as we enter a new season of ministry  
together. Come, Holy Spirit, **and renew the face of the earth.**

Spirit of breath, revive your creation. Where forests burn, waters rise, and ecosystems groan, breathe healing and wholeness. Make us faithful stewards of the earth's gifts and fierce protectors of its beauty.

Come, Holy Spirit, **and renew the face of the earth.**

Spirit of wisdom, move among the nations. Stir leaders to act with justice and mercy. Where there is war, bring peace. Where there is silence, give voice to the oppressed. Be with all who live in danger and displacement.

Come, Holy Spirit, **and renew the face of the earth.**

Spirit of comfort, rest on all who suffer. We pray for those who are sick, grieving, lonely, or afraid...

And those we name aloud or in our hearts at this time....

*Here other intercessions may be offered either aloud or in your hearts.*

Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need.

Let your presence be their peace, and your power their healing.

Come, Holy Spirit, **and renew the face of the earth.**

Spirit of unity, Be present in this community of Bethesda. Strengthen us for the journey ahead. Surprise us with joy, with laughter, with holy boldness. Make us generous in welcome, creative in ministry, and joyful in worship.

Come, Holy Spirit, **and renew the face of the earth.**

Spirit of life, we give thanks for the saints who have gone before us those whose witness shaped our faith and whose memory we carry with love.

Hold them in your eternal light, and keep us in the hope of the resurrection.

Come, Holy Spirit, **and renew the face of the earth.**

Spirit who intercedes with sighs too deep for words, we entrust to you all our prayers spoken and unspoken. Receive them in mercy, hold them in grace, and stir us to action. In the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

## PEACE

May the breath of the Spirit rest upon you, the love of Christ hold you, and the peace of God dwell richly within you. **And also with you.**

*We are changed by Christ's peace and now we have the holy opportunity to extend that peace to others. Share a sign of Christ's peace with others.*

*The gathering is seated.*

## OFFERING

*Giving is an act of worship our response to God's goodness and grace. Your gifts support the ministry of Bethesda Lutheran Church and extend God's love into the world. During this time the table is set. For the healing of this world, let us give our tithes and offerings. We invite you to give as you are able.*

Ways to Give:

- Place your offering in the plate as it is passed by the ushers.
- Give electronically through Vanco Services by picking up a Direct Deposit form found in the Narthex.
- Go online for recurring or onetime options.  
<https://app.autobooks.co/pay/bethesda-lutheran-church-of-malmo>
- Scan the QR code to donate, one time or recurring.



Thank you for your faithful and generous support.

*Please rise as the ushers bring the offering to the altar.*

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**Spirit of abundance, you blow through our lives with gifts we did not expect—grace unearned, mercy undeserved, love unending. As we offer these gifts, kindle in us generous hearts, open hands, and the courage to use all we have to bear your light in the world. Bless these offerings, bless us with the fire of your Spirit, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.**

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

*The presiding minister leads the Words of Institution.*

*The assembly responds together:*

**This is the mystery of our faith**

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The presiding minister offers a prayer over the gifts, inviting the Holy Spirit to bless the bread, the wine, and those who gather.*

## **THE LORD’S PRAYER – Lead by The Praise Team**

## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*Holy Communion is a gift of grace, where we receive the presence of Jesus in bread and wine, and are reminded that we are deeply loved.*

*All who hunger for mercy and hope are welcome at this feast.*

*Jesus is the host, and the invitation is wide.*

- Gluten-free bread is available. Please let your server know.
- Alcohol-free option is located in the center of the tray (lighter in color).
- *If you prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest or let your server know.*

*Come. The table is ready. The Spirit is here.*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Generous God, in this meal you have met us with grace too deep for words nourished us with love, and filled us with your Spirit. Now send us out: to speak hope, to carry peace, to share your joy with the world you love, through Jesus Christ, the flame of our hearts and the peace of the world. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

May the Spirit of the living God go before you to guide you, behind you to push you into places you might not go alone, beside you as a friend, and within you to remind you: you are deeply loved, completely held, and never alone. Go, sparked by grace, fed by love, and sent by the Spirit. In the name of the Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit, may resurrection light guide your way, now and always. **Amen.**

## **HYMN: “We Are Called”**

*Leader sings italics words, congregation sings **the bold print***

*We are called* **(we are called)**

*We are claimed* **(we are claimed)**

*We are loved* **(we are loved by the holy name).**

*We are healed* **(we are healed).**

*We are whole* **(we are whole).**

**The Savior ransomed our souls and we’re singing:**

**Glory, Glory, Glory Hallelujah! Glory, Gloria.**

**Oh, Glory, Glory, Glory Hallelujah.**

**Glory Gloria!**

*We are here* **(we are here).**

*To proclaim* **(to proclaim).**

*God is here* **(God is here; calls us each by name).**

*We are here* **(we are here).**

*To give praise* **(to give praise).**

**The love of God will not change and we’re singing:**

**Glory, Glory, Glory Hallelujah! Glory, Gloria.**

**Oh, Glory, Glory, Glory Hallelujah.**

**Glory Gloria!**

**Glory, Glory, Glory Hallelujah! Glory, Gloria.**

**Oh, Glory, Glory, Glory Hallelujah.**

**Glory Gloria! Glory Gloria!**

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace, guided by the Spirit and grounded in grace.

**Thanks be to God!**

*We're so glad you joined us for worship today  
whether in person or online.*

*On this day of wind and fire, may the Spirit continue to stir your heart  
with grace, courage, and hope.*

*This is just the beginning of what God is doing here at Bethesda.*

*We'd love to walk with you in faith, community, and service.*

*Go in peace, dear fire-bearers sparked by love, sent by the Spirit.*

## **THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK**

Music: The Praise Team (Darlene & Jim Christensen, Sheila Penoyer, Sherry Whipple)

Ushers: Lee & Barb Forrester

Greeters: Del & Dianne Jones

Lector: LuAnn Gordon

Hospitality:

Response to God's Word Last Week

Sunday, June 1, 2025: In Person: 9:00am 106 Online: 30 .