

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 10, 2018

10:30 AM

Outdoor Unity Worship

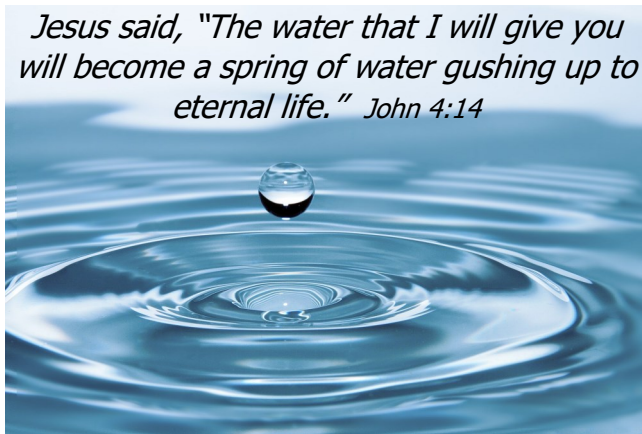
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SPARK

Bible Camp

Jesus said, "The water that I will give you will become a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." John 4:14



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GATHERING MUSIC

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

As we gather, we remain seated and join in singing to prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

Lord, I lift Your name on high; Lord, I love to sing Your praises.

I'm so glad You're in my life; I'm so glad You came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way,

From the earth to the cross my debt to pay;

From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;

Lord, I lift Your name on high. (REPEAT)

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From the earth to the cross my debt to pay;

From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;

Lord, I lift Your name on high.

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"Wade in Water"

Refrain

All



Wade in the wa - ter, wade in the wa - ter, chil - dren,



wade in the wa - ter, God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

Leader

All



- 1 See that host all dressed in white,
- 2 See that band all dressed in red, God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the
- 3 Look o - ver yon - der, what do I see?
- 4 If you don't be - lieve I've been re - deemed,

Leader



wa - ter. the lead - er looks like the Is - rael - ite.
 looks like the band that . . . Mo - ses led.
 the Ho - ly Ghost a - com - ing on me.
 just fol - low me down to . . . Jor - dan's stream.

All

Refrain



God's a - goin' - a trou - ble the wa - ter.

W&M African American Spiritual

Baptismal Anniversaries: Elijah Harris (6/11), Ethan Christy (6/12)

(Individuals meet the Pastor at the font for a special blessing in recognition of their anniversary.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING MOMENT

We stand as able

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, †one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Pastor: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People: Amen.

The Thanksgiving continues with the hymn. As a reminder of the gift of baptism, worshippers are sprinkled with water during the singing.

BAPTISMAL HYMN

"Baptized in Water"



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our king; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his
tomb with Christ our king; one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
sign of Christ our king; born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

APOSTOLIC GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People: **Amen.**

We are seated

SPARK WEEK SCRIPTURES WITH MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." (Matthew 3:13-17)

Let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching. (Hebrews 10:22-25)

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue is parched with thirst, I the LORD will answer them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them. I will open rivers on the bare heights, and fountains in the midst of the valleys; I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water. (Isaiah 41:17-18)

I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. (Ezekiel 36:25-27)

Like cold water to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country. (Proverbs 25:25)

So [Jesus] came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw

water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." (John 4:5-15)

We stand as able

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Assist: Filled with the Holy Spirit, we join with the church in every place, praying for the world that God so loves.

+ A brief silence +

Assist: Lord God, you call your church to be one. Overcome all separations in the body of Christ and make us one diverse, united family, the brothers and sisters of Jesus throughout the world. Hear us, O God.

People: Your mercy is great.

Assist: Lord God, with you there is forgiveness and hope, and you love your whole creation. Help us order our lives so that human activity in your creation gives voice to hope. Empower us to bring healing in your world. Hear us, O God.

People: Your mercy is great.

Assist: Lord God, be with volunteers, families, adults, youth and children these upcoming days at Spark Your Faith Camp. Work your Spirit in us, that we might Grow In Faith Together through the joy of water and your Word. Lord, in your mercy,

People: Your mercy is great.

Assist: Lord God, your compassion continually reaches into the lives of your people. Visit with lovingkindness those experiencing afflictions of any kind, especially *Gwen Furcron; Kathryn Padgett; Mike Loveless; Rocky Berger; Bob Jorgensen; Linda Hayes; Stephanie Joyner; John McDonald; Sean Rease; Steve Bowen; Harriett Gettys; Bonnie Bouknight; and those we name before you now, either silently or aloud....* Renew all of us and prepare us for glory so that we do not lose heart. Hear us, O God.

People: Your mercy is great.

Assist: Lord God, more than those who watch for the morning, our souls wait and watch for you. In the coming months of summer, help us to be refreshed and at play, watching and waiting for you at every turn. Hear us, O God.

People: Your mercy is great.

Assist: Lord God, you raised Jesus from the dead and promise to raise us with him and bring us into his presence. We remember those who have died, and we thank you for your steadfast love and power to redeem. Hear us, O God.

People: Your mercy is great.

Assist: By the sure guidance of your Holy Spirit, O God, we lift up our prayers in trust and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

PEACE IS SHARED

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you always.

People: And also with you.

We greet one another, with the words that the risen Jesus spoke to his disciples: "Peace be with you."

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Grow In Faith Together"

Grow! Grow! Grow in faith together!

Grow! Grow! Grow in faith together!

Grow in faith together,

Grow in faith together,

Grow in faith together, Grow stronger in the Lord.

Grow! Grow! Grow in faith together!

Grow! Grow! Grow in faith together!

Everyday do justice,

Love kindness,

Walk humbly with our God,

Grow stronger in the Lord.

(Words & Music by Pastor Eric Fink)

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Pastor: Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism as we come before God to make public affirmation of baptism into Christ.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Merciful God, we thank you that you have made us your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called us to yourself, enlightened us with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished us in the community of faith. Uphold us and all your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

People: Amen.

Pastor: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Pastor: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

People: I renounce them.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Pastor: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people,
to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

People: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

Pastor: People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ?

People: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence both now and forever.

People: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

People: 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.

Pastor: Come, let us eat and be marked with the Cross, for now the feast is spread.

People: Thanks be to God.

We are seated

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION AND MARKING WITH THE CROSS

This meal is the Lord's Supper of grace, open to ALL Christians of any background or denomination. As you come forward, you are invited to pause at the baptismal font, where the Pastor or Deacon will trace the cross on your forehead with water - a reminder of our identity as God's baptized people.

*As Lutheran Christians, we believe in **Christ's true presence** in, with, and under the elements. We invite you to have your name tag visible so that the ministers may include your name as they offer you the elements. Communion at Living Springs is by **intinction** (bread is dipped into the wine or grape juice). In response to the words, "Body of Christ, given for you. Blood of Christ, shed for you," each worshipper may respond with, "Amen." If you require a **gluten free wafer**, please let your worship assistant know so they can accommodate you. Each chalice contains two compartments: wine is located in the larger compartment, while **alcohol-free grape juice** is located in the smaller compartment for those who require it. **Children** who have not received communion instruction are invited to come forward for a special blessing. Simply fold your hands to indicate you would like to receive the blessing.*

OFFERINGS ARE GIVEN

Offering may be placed in the offering plate as you come forward for communion.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

"You Are Mine"



1 "I will come to you in the si - lence,
2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less,
3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,
(4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear.
I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the
heal-ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice. Be
shad-ows of the night, I will be your light.
All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and
I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



still and know I am here. *To stanza 2*
Come and rest in me. *To refrain*
all will know my name. *To refrain*
up, now walk and live! *To refrain*



Refrain
Do not be a-fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol-low me, I will bring you home; I



To stanzas 3 and 4
love you and you are mine."

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We stand after all have received communion

EUCCHARISTIC BLESSING

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

People: **Amen**

HYMN

"How Great is Our God" (with "How Great Thou Art")

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!*

*The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty;
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide,
It trembles at His voice, trembles at His voice.*

*How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God!*

*Age to age He stands, and time is in His hands;
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.
The Godhead, three in one, Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.*

*How great is our God! Sing with me: How great is our God!
And all will see how great, how great is our God! (REPEAT CHORUS)*

*Name above all names, worthy of all praise. My heart will sing: How great is our God!
Name above all names, worthy of all praise. My heart will sing: How great is our God!*

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!*

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SPARK SENDING 2018 – CELEBRATION OF THE CROSS (based on SPARK scriptures)

During the final verse of the song, our LS Council Members and Ministry Chairpersons come forward to roll out the cross in our midst, as a reminder that we have been marked forever with the Cross of Christ through the waters of God's baptismal grace. Once the singing is finished and the cross is in place, everyone comes forward and facing the road, takes hold of the cross with one hand.

Leader: In the waters of God's grace, we have been claimed as God's children:

People: And marked with the cross of Christ forever! *(we wave the cross)*

Leader: In the waters of God's grace, we have been sealed with the Holy Spirit:

People: And marked with the cross of Christ forever! *(we wave the cross)*

Leader: In Christ, the ancient prophecy is fulfilled - we are cleansed and given a new heart:

People: A new spirit is within us and our hearts of stone are removed!
(we wave the cross)

Leader: Let us therefore approach all of life with a true heart in full assurance of faith:

People: With our hearts sprinkled clean and our bodies washed with the pure water of God's grace! *(we wave the cross)*

Leader: Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering:

People: Let us provoke one another to love and good deeds! *(we wave the cross)*

Leader: When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none:

People: Let us be God's answer for them - and open up rivers on the bare heights, fountains in the midst of valleys! *(we wave the cross as the water erupts)*

Leader: Jesus promises: "Those who drink of the water I give will never be thirsty!"

People: The water Jesus gives becomes in us a spring gushing up to eternal life!
(we wave the cross)

Leader: Go in peace! Share the Good News! Lift high the Cross of Christ with your life!
(we lift the cross high above our shoulders)

People: Let us Grow In Faith Together!

With the cross lifted high above us, we bow our heads to receive the Benediction:

Pastor: May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

People: Amen! Thanks be to God!

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Bible Camp

June 10-13

Sunday - Wednesday

Today - Special worship@ 10:30am

Followed by BBQ lunch & family faith activities

Lunch Menu: BBQ, Green Beans, Mac-n-Cheese, Cole Slaw, Rolls,
Tea, Lemonade, Water, and Desserts.

Mon, June 11-Wed, June 13

Camp Style from 9:00am-3:00pm

(bring your own lunches!)

Games, Drama, Science, Arts/Crafts

SPARK! Your Faith Camp is for Children and Youth ages 3-18!

LESSONS FOR THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

First Reading: Genesis 3:8-15

⁸[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"¹⁰He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself."¹¹He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"¹²The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate."¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak,¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence.¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day.¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure,¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

[Jesus went home;]²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat.²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind."²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons."²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan?²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand.²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come.²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him.³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you."³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?"³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers!"³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

Home for the Heartbreak

The homecoming could not have been more heartbreaking. A father, near death, lay in a hospice bed that prophetically displaced the puffy cushioned pastel couch from the living room. A son, his own death in sight, stood, an alien, in the house where years before he played happily with no space to imagine the moment he now faced. It was their approaching deaths that drew the long-exiled son home. The fact that he was gay had created a distance far greater than the miles and years of separation. In such joyless space hello and goodbye twisted and tangled indistinguishably. The son's tears begged for reconciliation. "We are both dying, can we not make peace?" The father's spotlight glare confirmed rejection. "You are no son of mine."

Jesus' homecoming in today's gospel is surrounded by controversy and disruption on all sides. A pushing, shoving crowd peppered with an assortment of religious leaders insists that Jesus is out of his mind, evil, employed by the ruler of demons. His own mother and brothers choose their place outside, away. The hometown heartbreak confirms all the accumulated, bitter objections that ripened in the heat of fevered disapproval. Jesus' time spent in the company of outcasts, touching lepers, chasing demons, hanging close to the diseased, challenging the Pharisees' plots—all seems evidence that he is the skin and bones of an unclean spirit.

Rejected at home, Jesus does not turn family or himself away, but asks and answers one simple, provocative question: "Who are my mother and my brothers?" "Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother" (Mark 3:33, 35). Jesus leaves them—and of course us—with the unspoken, lasting question: "And what is the will of God?"



THANK YOU FOR SERVING TODAY!

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Pentecost Seasonal Emphasis


*Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!
Isaiah 6:3*

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WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP THIS DAY!

We greet all who worship in the name of the Risen Savior!

*May the Spirit speak to your heart the message of God's redeeming love for everyone,
through the grace shown to the world in Jesus.*

*We gather as a community of disciples. Our center is Jesus Christ,
and we are here to know and share the blessing of his forgiving, healing hand.*

*If you have any questions about our congregation, please call 736-0661,
drop by our office (M - F 8:30-4:30) or visit our website at www.livingspringscolumbia.org.*

WELCOME GUESTS! – We are especially blessed by your presence today and look forward to worshipping with you again. Please take time to fill out the blue slip in your bulletin and/or sign the welcome book in the narthex. New members are always welcome into our congregation. To learn more about becoming part of Christ's family of faith here at Living Springs, please contact the office (736-0661) or Pastor Eric (917-2749).

BULLETIN BLUE SLIPS - may be completed and placed in the offering plate for prayer requests, guest information, address/phone updates, and a record of communing. Members, please complete at least one blue slip during 2018 to ensure we have a record of your communing.

SEASONAL NAME TAG – In order to show hospitality, we ask everyone to stop by the table under the portico and complete a name tag with our seasonal scripture verse. The tags allow everyone to use names as we share the Peace - and allow communion ministers to speak your name (*please make sure your name is visible when you come to the altar rail*).

RESTROOMS – are located in the Administration Building on both levels. Greeters/ushers will be happy to show you the way. Main level restrooms are equipped with diaper changing stations. For your child's safety, please accompany them when they leave the Sanctuary to use the restrooms.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS - are now available, please see an usher or greeter.

HEARING ASSISTANCE – The ushers have headsets which will amplify the sound for you. Please return to an usher or leave in the pew at the conclusion of the service.

GLUTEN-FREE WAFERS & ALCOHOL-FREE GRAPE JUICE– are available during communion, for those who desire either.

G.I.F.T. ZONE - is a special area in our worship space for parents and young children who wish to worship together with more child-friendly furniture and special resources to utilize during worship.

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS – are distributed during the children's sermon.

NURSERY – is available for infants-3 years old during the 10:45 Worship Service; located downstairs in the preschool in the Education Building. Greeters/Ushers will be happy to assist you.

CHILD SAFETY – is very important to us, so we ask at least 1 adult to accompany your child if he/she leaves the Sanctuary during worship. Please do not allow children to play on the playground without parental supervision. During the week, church doors are kept locked to maintain security for our Preschool. Please ring the intercom by the office doors to check in.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME – is held each week following the 8:15 service and prior to the 10:45 service, inside the education building.

OUR PRAYER MINISTRY – As a community of disciples, we pray for one another and others - not just in times of illness, but also for praise, thanksgiving, and forgiveness. If you have a prayer request, simply fill out the bulletin blue sheet and place in the offering plate (or call/email the office). Please indicate if your request is for public or private prayer.