

# ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November 4, 2018 - 10:45 AM



*Of all three years of the lectionary cycle, this year's All Saints readings have the most tears. Isaiah and Revelation look forward to the day when God will wipe away all tears; in John's gospel, Jesus weeps along with Mary and all the gathered mourners before he demonstrates his power over death. On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honors our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of Isaiah's feast to come.*

## G.I.F.T. Zone Worship-Learning Area For Parents

We offer the parent-friendly G.I.F.T. Zone (in the left-hand transept of the main sanctuary) so that parents may share the worship experience with their children in a meaningful, stress-free way. This parent-friendly worship experience is located in the left-hand side area of the sanctuary. **Every child in the G.I.F.T. Zone should be accompanied by a family adult**—as the purpose is to provide an area for parents to help teach their children the routines and meaning of worship (until they are old enough to worship in the pews for the entire service).

For families who wish to take advantage of the G.I.F.T. Zone, there is child-friendly worship furniture plus adult chairs for parents. Feel free to sit in the special area throughout the service with your child - or come to the area with your child following the Children's Message. Parents and children use guided activities to help our youngest worshipers follow the readings, sermon, hymn, creed, and prayers. This is an awesome way for parents to share the rhythm of worship and have children/ parents engaged together in worship with the whole congregation, while learning the liturgy. At the 10:45 service, our nursery is also available for ages 0 - 3 (for children who have not yet reached the point to focus and benefit from the G.I.F.T. Zone activities).



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## GATHERING MUSIC

"Borning Cry"

ELW #732

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

*Baptismal Anniversaries: Emma Harris (11/9)*

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

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TEMPLE TALK - ANNUAL DISCIPLESHIP EMPHASIS

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who calls us into an everlasting hope, who guides us to springs of the water of life, who enlightens us with the spirit of wisdom.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: One with the communion of saints in all times and places, let us confess our sin against God and one another.

*(Silence for reflection - we kneel as able)*

Pastor: O God, our merciful redeemer,

**People: we confess the ways we live only for ourselves. We fail to see you in our neighbor's face. We turn our ears from voices that cry out. We pass by the hungry and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sin and strengthen us for service to all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Pastor: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for ✚ his sake, God forgives you all your sin. Blessed are you! Rejoice and be glad, beloved people of God.

**People: Amen.**

*We face the cross at the entrance of the sanctuary. We turn to follow the cross as it enters.*

#### ENTRANCE HYMN

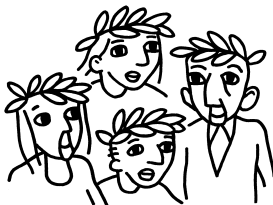
"Shall We Gather At the River"

ELW #423

#### APOSTOLIC GREETING

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.**



# KYRIE AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. *(We pause in prayer and then respond)*



Lord, have mer - cy.

Pastor: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. *(We pause in prayer and then respond)*



Lord, have mer - cy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. *(We pause in prayer and then respond)*



Lord, have mer - cy.

Pastor: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. *(We pause in prayer and then respond)*



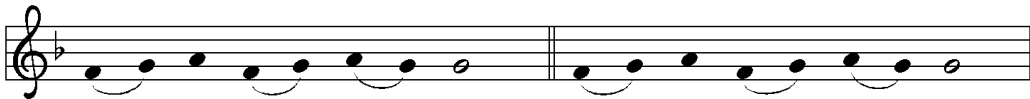
Lord, have mer - cy.

Pastor: Help, save comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. *(We pause in prayer and then respond)*



A - men.

Pastor: **People:**



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Pastor: Let us pray.

**People: Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*We are seated*

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Laura Turnmire

*Children, youth, and young at heart are invited to gather on the steps for a special message. Toddlers may be accompanied by parents. All may bring forward coins or dollars for the bucket collection (currently Habitat for Humanity Build). Following the message, young children and parent(s) are invited to the G.I.F.T. Zone for special activities that help young ones participate in worship through the middle portion of the service. As the children gather, we sing:*

*Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.*

*So we gather in His name, offering our love and praise.*

*Jesus loves the little children of the world.*

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## **FIRST READING**

Lector: A reading from Isaiah.

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation. *(Isaiah 25:6-9)*

Lector: Word of God, Word of life.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 24**

Lector: The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,  
the world and those who dwell therein.

**People: For the LORD has founded it upon the seas  
and established it upon the rivers.**

Lector: Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD,  
and who may stand in God's holy place?

**People: Those of innocent hands and purity of heart,  
who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.**

Lector: They shall receive blessing from the LORD  
and righteousness from the God of their salvation.

**People: Such is the generation of those who seek you, O LORD,  
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**

Lector: Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

**People: Who is this King of glory?  
The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!**

Lector: Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

**People: Who is this King of glory?  
Truly, the LORD of hosts is the King of glory.**

## SECOND READING

Lector: A reading from Revelation.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end." (*Revelation 21:1-6a*)

Lector: Word of God, Word of life.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*We stand for the reading of the Gospel*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Repeat alleluia*



Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## GOSPEL LESSON

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to John.

**People: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Pastor: When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"<sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

*(John 11:32-44)*

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We are seated*

## SERMON

Rev. Eric Fink

*We stand as able*

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*"Jerusalem, My Happy Home"*

ELW #628

## NICENE CREED

**People: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Assist: With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

*+ A brief silence +*

Assist: Lord God, Sovereign of all creation, draw us into your presence, and transform us to be a holy people. Bless us through your word and holy meal to show your uncommon love to others. Lord, in your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Assist: Move us to reinvigorate polluted waters and air, renew fallow fields, and revive natural habitats that have been destroyed. Open our eyes to the bounty you have given us, and inspire us to tend to it. Lord, in your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Assist: Fill our public servants and we who elect them to office with your wisdom. Let your justice flow through our governments and institutions. Lord, in your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Assist: Unbind those who are burdened by illness or grief, especially *Carl Nandrasy; JoAnn Pulse; Bunie Talbert; Irvin Legrand; Melinda/Adam Patterson; T.J. Lanaghan; Bruce Kelly; Anna Caroline/Ainsley Griggs; Arden/Mary Lommen; and those we name before you now, either silently or aloud....* Wipe away the tears of those who cannot see your life through the weight of their affliction. Lord, in your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Assist: Strengthen and bless this congregation's ministries of outreach, healing, and hospitality. Make us eager to receive those you send to us. Lord, in your mercy,

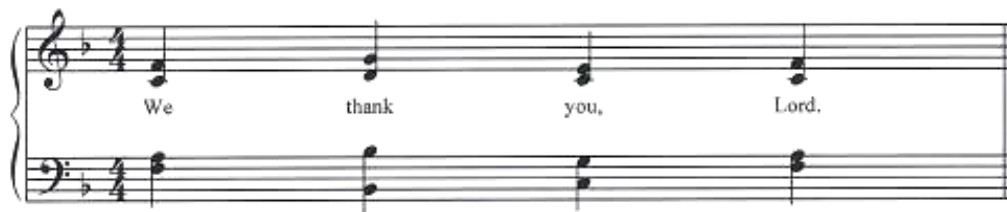
**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Through our sung prayer, O God, we lift up to you those persons we cherish, who have died since last All Saints Sunday. We remember them in love, give thanks for their lives, and celebrate the victory of faith through Christ our Lord.

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Pastor: For the faithful who have gone before us and are at rest, let us give thanks to the Lord.

*(The response to each petition below is:)*



Cantor:	For the life of Herb Brantley	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Janet Bate	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Ken Flynn	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Inez Anderson	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Jane VanRyan Banks	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of John Bergmann	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of George Bush	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Carol Cannon	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Matthew Cannon	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Mynette Chapman	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Dale Dominick	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Charles Freeman	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Edna Hooker	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Juanita Jacobs	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Lucille Jess	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Bob Konschak	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Walt Konschak	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Norval Kranz	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Margie Moody	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Jean "Nana" Morgan	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Janie Savage	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Debbie Seabrook	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Robert Dean Simmons	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Gladys C. Smith	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Roger Smith	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Clyde Willing	People: We thank you, Lord
Cantor:	For the life of Daisy Woods	People: We thank you, Lord

Pastor: Enfold all things in your compassion, O God, and bring us into your life through the faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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."*





## OFFERTORY PRAYER

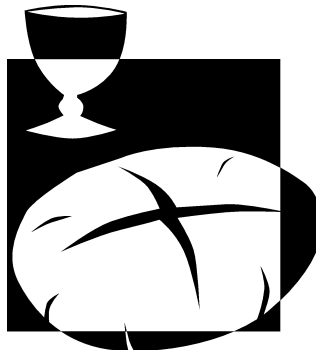
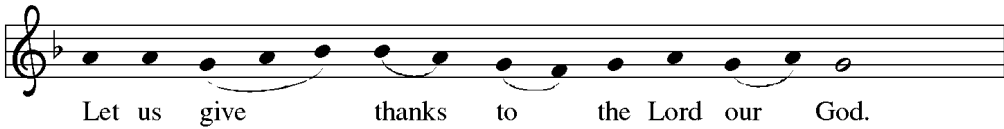
Assist: Let us pray.

**People:** **Creator God, you made everything, and you provide for every need. The bread we break and the wine we pour come from you. As we eat and drink with thanksgiving, fill us with your love; let that love flow through us to others; and join us to the saints before us in a holy and boundless communion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## HOLY COMMUNION FAITH MILESTONE

*The following youth participated in our Holy Communion Faith Milestone and are welcomed to full participation in Holy Communion this morning: **Gabriela Aponte, Carson Cassidy, Corbin Cassidy, Eliana Collins, Samantha Kowalski, Ainsley Outlaw, Maggie Outlaw, Cody Shannon, and Lucas Shannon.** **Harrison Keppery & Liam Keppery** have also participated and will be welcomed to full participation at a later date.*

## GREAT THANKSGIVING



Pastor: *It is indeed right, our duty and our joy ...we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the



high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



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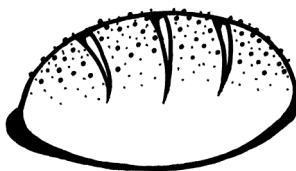
### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Pastor: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Remembering therefore his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out your Spirit of love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**



## LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor: Hunger no more. Thirst no more. Come to the banquet of life.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*We are seated*

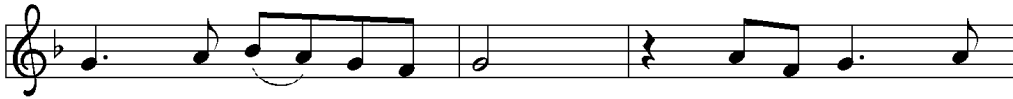
## LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*This meal is the Lord's Supper of grace and is open to ALL Christians of any background or denomination. 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. After receiving the elements, you are welcome to remain kneeling at the rail for meditation and prayer (others may simply fill in the open spaces). **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.*

*We stand after all have received communion*

### **EUCCHARISTIC BLESSING & PRAYER**

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

**People: Amen**

Assist: Sovereign God, in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen**

### **BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The love of God surround you; the grace of ✝ Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore.

**People: Amen.**

### **SENDING HYMN**

*"When Peace Like a River"*

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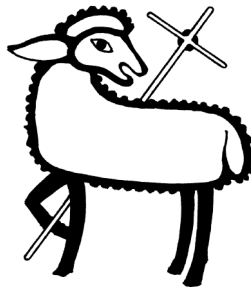
*(While we sing, we turn and face the processional cross as it is carried out the center aisle.)*

### **DISMISSAL**

Assist: Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*As we go out to serve the Lord, we encourage you to share the FaceTime Live Stream Casts from today's worship experience on your social media platforms using #GodsGraceForAll. You can find the live stream on our Living Springs FaceBook page: @livingspringscolumbia*



## **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY:**

### *Resurrection and Life*

Tears are plenteous. Children from one ocean to another cry out for bread and clean water, for health and warmth. Young people cry out powerful concern for the future. One generation to another weeps over loved ones lost, over loneliness, over reconciliation gone awry.

Jesus wept too. Standing outside the tomb of his friend Lazarus, he wept (John 11:35). Jesus' tears might seem oddly placed. Lazarus's sisters, Martha and Mary, had called for Jesus as their brother fought illness. The sisters expected Jesus to come, and come quickly—after all, Lazarus was one Jesus “loved” (John 11:3). But Jesus waited. Jesus stayed back, telling his disciples Lazarus had simply “fallen asleep.” Only at the appropriate time would he go to wake up Lazarus.

When Jesus does arrive it is four long days after Lazarus has died. Mary and Martha are still overcome with grief. Still in no hurry to make his way to the grave, Jesus stops to hear Martha give words to her pain: “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died” (John 11:21). He stops to hear Mary cry the same words. Then—and only then—does he make his way to Lazarus's tomb.

Why does Jesus cry, after waiting all that time to go to the grave? Why does he cry, when he must have known, like Martha and Mary, that he could have done something about it?

He cries because all causes of human pain—separation, death, suffering—are surely to be wept over. Even in the midst of the presence of God, sorrow is real. It hurts. But against all pain, God's promises have final victory for us, for all who experience pain and death. “I am,” Jesus says, “the resurrection and the life” (John 11:25). Today, on All Saints Sunday, we celebrate the astounding promise of resurrection. Jesus lives, and we live because of him.



# THANK YOU FOR SERVING TODAY!

## ASSISTING MINISTER

Jeff Day

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Bob Turnmire

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## OUTSIDE GREETER

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Karlene Stuart

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## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Laura Turnmire

## NAME TAGS

Karen Kranz

## FLOWERS

Ginn's

## MUGGER

Kathy McDonald

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## REFRESHMENTS

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## Pentecost Seasonal Emphasis

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness,

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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](http://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 green 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 GREEN SLIPS** - may be completed and placed in the offering plate for prayer requests, God Stories, guest information, address/phone updates, and a record of communing. Please complete at least one slip during 2018 to ensure we have a record of 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 green slip and place in the offering plate (or call/email the office). Please indicate if your request is for public or private prayer.