

Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church

“Growing Relationships with God, Each Other, and Our Neighbors in the Way of Jesus”



Pentecost Sunday

Saturday, May 23, 2026, 5:00 PM

Sunday, May 24, 2026, 9:00 AM

Welcome...There's a place for you here!

Welcome to the Lord's Table

All Christians, regardless of church membership or affiliation, are invited to the Lord's Table to share Holy Communion. You may come forward through the center aisle to share communion around the table and then return to your seat through the side aisles. You may also share communion while remaining in your seat. Bread and cups prepared in advance are available from baskets at the top of the ramps, or you may let an usher know to have those who are serving at the table come to serve you.

Bread, wheat wafers, or gluten-free wafers are available, as well as alcoholic wine (lighter color) or nonalcoholic grape juice (darker color). Paper towel-lined baskets are provided for empty cups at the end of the first pew and at the top of the ramps. Those who are not partaking may also come forward to receive a verbal blessing.

Welcome to all God's children

During the Sunday service, the youngest children of God are invited to come forward for a message especially for them. "Busy bags" are hung along the wall in the sanctuary for use during services. Toys and books are also found in and near the glass-enclosed room at the end of the gallery seating. Children of all ages are welcome to share holy communion with a grownup's guidance.

You'll find a changing table in the restroom near the top of the spiral staircase in the entryway. Another changing table is located just outside the glass-enclosed room. An unstaffed nursery is located at the bottom of the spiral staircase in the entryway, as a place for a grownup to stay with their child.

Restrooms in the entryway are single-occupant and gender-inclusive. They are located in two cubes made of mirrors, one on either side of the entryway.

Sunday services are livestreamed, and some worshipers may be seen in the broadcast. Those seated behind the ramps will not be seen on camera.

(thank you for silencing your phone as you worship)

PRELUDE “Prelude to Te Deum” M. A. Charpentier / Marlatt

WELCOME

ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

Merciful God, ... Jesus Christ, ... Holy Spirit, ...

Blessed are you. **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG “God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind” ELW 400

GREETING

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

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

FIRST READING: **Acts 2:1-21**

A reading from Acts:

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

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

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

¹⁷ ‘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. ¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. ²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’ ”

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: **Psalm 104:24-34, 35b** (*read responsively*)

²⁴ How manifold are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

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

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

²⁷ **All of them look to you
to give them their food in due season.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

³⁴ May these words of mine please God.
I will rejoice in the LORD.

^{35b} **Bless the LORD, O my soul.
Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: **1 Corinthians 12:3b-13**

A reading from First Corinthians:

^{3b} No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, ⁵ and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through

the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit,⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit,¹⁰ to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ACS Setting 11

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ is ris - en, ris' n in - deed.

GOSPEL: **John 20:19-23**

The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.²¹ Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON: Pastor Nathan Pratt

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Spirit of Gentleness”

ELW 396

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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.**

SONG FOR PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION (*sing once before and once after prayers*)

“Christ, Our Peace” (ACS 1037)

Christ, our peace, you break down the walls that di - vide us;

Christ, our peace, come, make us one bod-y in you.

In our prayers . . . Audrey Enright, Chris Smith, Clare, Cristina, Dan, Darrell Reynolds, David Bjorkman, Eric, Gary Brown, Ginny Trendel, Janelle Schowalter, Jean Wishau, Jill, Jim Broetzmann, Julie Reynolds, Karen Tyykila, Lauren, Pastor Marcy Wieties, Paul, Ray Palenik, Ron, Scott, Sean, Margot, Stacey.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

Use the QR code to reach our online giving page:



BRASS ENSEMBLE

“My Heart, Ever Faithful”

J.S. Bach / Barnes

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray: Merciful God,

accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus, Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

Now the Feast

Presider: *Congregation:*

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

Presider: *Congregation:*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: *Congregation:*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is

right to give God thanks and praise.

It is our duty and delight . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and

might; heav - en and earth are filled with your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is the one who comes in your name. Ho -

san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. . . For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

(Presider sings: *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come, come again.*)

Congregation:

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come, come again.

Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup we remember our Lord's Passover from death to life. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.

(Presider sings: *Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.*)

Congregation:

A - men. Come, Lord Je - sus.

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Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

(Presider sings: *Amen. Come, Holy Spirit. Amen. Come Holy Spirit.*)

Congregation:

A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.

A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. (*Presider and assembly all sing...*)

Congregation:

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the
u - ni - ty of the Spir - it, all glo - ry and hon - or is
yours, O God, now and for ev - er.
A - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

**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

DISTRIBUTION *(see inside of bulletin cover for communion directions)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

“This Is My Song”

ELW 887

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“America the Beautiful”

Samuel Ward / Villanueva

MPLC Brass Ensemble

Eric Weiss, Trumpet
Aaron Christianson, Trumpet
Gregory Schroeder, Trumpet
Nancy Quist, Trumpet
Danielle West, Trumpet
Pastor Nathan Pratt, Horn
Nate Weirick, Trombone
Paul Taylor, Euphonium
Levi West, Tuba
Kevin Jocius, Timpani

Today's Worship Leaders

Preacher: Pastor Nathan Pratt
Musician: Michael Becker; Minister of Music: Dimitri Shapovalov
Bell Choir Director: Gregory Schroeder
Sun. Greeter: Deb Dulek
Sat. Reader: *One Needed*; Sun. Reader: Karen Magee
Sun. Communion Assistants: Brenda Booker, Joe Maier, Amy Obernberger
Coffee Hour Treats: Christine Corcoran, Sonja Wilson
Video Producer: Fritz Obernberger

Worship Leaders for 5/30 & 5/31:

Sun. Greeter: Cindy Green
Coffee Hour Treats: Pat Green, Elaine Klandrud
Sat. Reader: *One Needed*; Sun. Reader: Teresa Jacobs
Sun. Communion Assistants: Karen Magee, Kassie Maier
Video Producer: Becky Litwin

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THIS WEEK AT MPLC: May 24 - 31

Sun. May 24

9:00 AM: Worship (Sanctuary)

10:15 AM: Coffee Hour (Fellowship)

Mon. May 25

Church Office Closed

Tues. May 26

Rummage Sale Collection begins

11:00 AM: Chair Yoga (Fellowship)

1:00 PM: Rummage Volunteer Meeting (Fellowship)

Wed. May 27

6:30 PM: Pray Without Ceasing (Sanctuary)

Thurs. May 28

9:30 AM: Quilters (Fellowship)

Fri. May 29

6:15 PM: Dining Out (Hideaway Pub & Eatery, 9643 S 76th St, Franklin)

Sat. May 30

5:00 PM: Worship (Sanctuary)

Sun. May 31

9:00 AM: Worship (Sanctuary)

10:00 AM: Coffee Hour (Fellowship)

10:15 AM: Prayer Shawl Ministry (Conference)

11:15 AM: Book Club (The Inclusive Bean)

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We are called by Jesus to **love God and one another**, to practice generous hospitality, and to serve all unconditionally. We fully welcome you to join us, embracing your race, culture, ethnicity, age, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical abilities, mental abilities, socioeconomic position, family status, background, and wherever you are in your faith journey. You are a unique and beloved child of God and are welcome here. You are accepted and openly affirmed just as you are. We commit ourselves to undertaking the work of racial equality and social and economic justice. We invite you to join us as we joyfully and inclusively love and serve God and our community, as **we are all one in Christ Jesus.**