

# DAY OF PENTECOST

COME HOLY SPIRIT



## St. Matthews Church

WHERE COMMUNITY GATHERS AND GROWS  
May 28, 2023

# Day of Pentecost / Baptism

Sunday, May 28, 2023

(\* indicates the assembly stands)

## Gathering

Prelude "Elizabethan Serenade" R. Binge

Words of Welcome & Service Announcements

\*Hymn 396 "Spirit of Gentleness"

Holy Baptism p. 227

Baptismal Acclamation 212 "You Belong to Christ"

\*Baptismal Hymn 446 "I'm Going on a Journey"

\*Greeting

\*Prayer of the Day

Anthem "Many Gifts, One Spirit" A. Pote

## Word

First Reading Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (see pg. 4)

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

\*Gospel Acclamation "Alleluia" p. 205

\*Gospel Reading John 20:19-23

Sermon

\*Hymn of the Day 401 "Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading"

\*Prayers

\*Peace

## Meal

\*Offering Hymn 689 vs. 1,2 "Praise and Thanksgiving"

\*Offering Prayer

\*Great Thanksgiving p. 206

\*Holy, Holy, Holy p. 207



Psalm 104

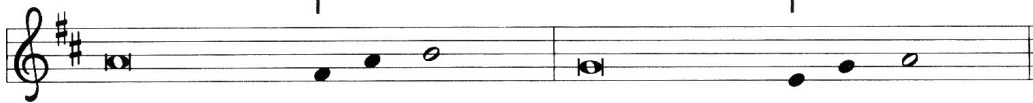


God sends out their Spi-rit



to re-new the face of all the earth.

Tone 1



<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 man- | y 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.**

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<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 en- | dure forever;  
O LORD, rejoice in | all your works.**

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<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.**

**Hal- | lelujah!**

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## Leading Worship Today

**Minister:** Rev. Carey Meadows-Helmer

**Assisting Minister:** Linda McLellan

**Diaconal Minister of Music:** Deacon Scott Knarr

**Choral Scholars:** Nicole Hamilton, Laura Moolenbeek, Dylan Siebert, Jacob Steinmann

**Percussion:** Peter Winkler

**Broadcast:** Gary Pootz

**Building Monitor:** Dennis Diebolt (519-571-4525)

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## Worship Notes

**In our prayers** Henry, Marie, Grace, Maureen, Bernice and John.



**Baptism of Lennon Brian Casimiro:** Congratulations to Alyssa and Danny, parents of Lennon, who will be baptized today. Blessings to the family and godparents (Sabrina and Brian) as you support and encourage one another in this journey of faith. The communion of saints rejoices with you!

**All are welcome at the meal** where Jesus is present loving you and forgiving you. The pastor will distribute communion wafers using tongs. Gluten-free wafers are also available; please indicate this request to the Pastor. You may then take a pre-poured wine cup from the larger tray or a juice cup from the smaller tray. If you would (also) like to receive a blessing, please approach the Pastor with your arms crossed over your chest. If you'd like to receive Communion in your pew, the pastor will come to you. Please let an usher or the pastor know before worship if possible.

**West Tower Door for Emergency Only.** Due to the ongoing construction planning, when going in to the church house or washrooms, use the west stair tower door and stay on that floor. Use the hallway by the office to the stairway to the floor below. The stairs in the west tower are closed to the lower level sanctuary and should only be used in case of an emergency to exit the building.

### **Important Information for today's worship**

- **Self-Screening:** Members are reminded to continue to perform self-assessments if they have COVID symptoms.
- **Masks:** We support people's choice to wear a mask, and we strongly encourage the following of current guidelines.
- **Offering:** Please place your offering in one of the offering plates in the Narthex (entranceway) upon entering. The offering plates will be presented at the High Altar during the service.
- **The Peace:** We support people's choices for passing of the peace.
- **Exiting:** At the end of the service, please remain in place until the end of the postlude.
- **Ministers** will be greeting worshippers after the postlude in the Narthex.
- **Please join us for Fellowship Time** after worship in the Fellowship Hall! Use the door nearest to the piano, and follow the signs.

**Fire Exits:** All Sanctuary fire exits remain operational during lower-level demolition and renovations. This includes the three Narthex (Entrance) doors, the mid-tower door (half-way up the right side), and the staircase at the front left, piano side.

**Church Fire Plan** For everyone's awareness, a copy of the Church Fire Plan for safe exit from the Sanctuary appears in the back of the worship books. Please take a moment to review for your own safety.



Grand River Ministry Area ★ 4th Annual



**CHURCH PICNIC**

**SENT OUT TO BE HEALED,  
AND TO BE HEALERS OF OTHERS**

Gathering Time  
at 10:00 am

Worship Service  
at 10:30 am  
*(including Holy  
Communion)*



The Worship will  
feature leadership by  
Local Pastors, Deacons  
and Lay People and  
live music with the  
Worship Band 'The Rocks'



**SUNDAY, JUNE 11TH, 2023**

St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 317 Franklin Street North, Kitchener

**Games, Music, Activities for adults and children**

Lunch will be served after the Worship Service

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and an umbrella for the sun

Seating will include paved parking lot and grassed areas



For more information, please contact **Rev. Heike Toeller** – [pastor.heike@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.heike@gmail.com)



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