# Elim Lutheran Church Sunday, May 31, 2020 Recorded Worship



#### WELCOME

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Bless the Lord, our God!

All: Who sends us the Spirit:

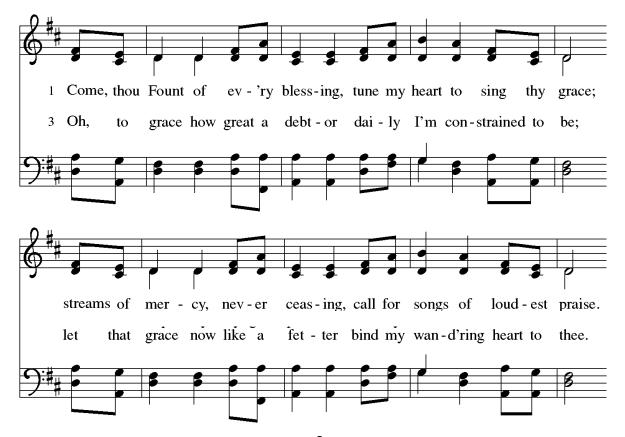
Leader: The Spirit of wisdom and understanding,

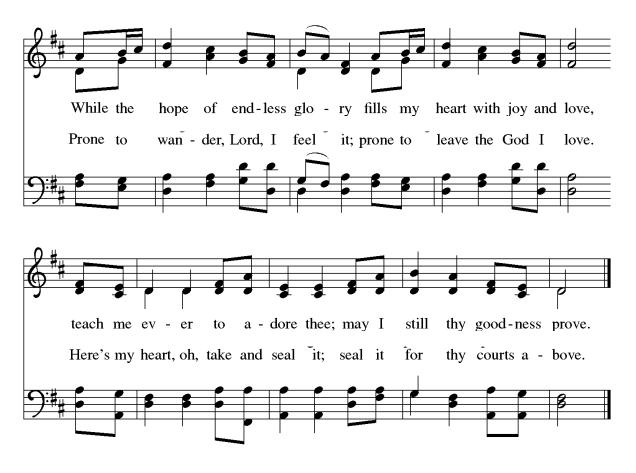
All: The Spirit of counsel and might,

Leader: The Spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord.

All: Bless the Lord, our God!

# OPENING SONG: COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING





Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790, alt.

Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813

# **GREETING**

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion

of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: O Lord,

All: You send your Spirit to disciples of all times and places.

May our ears be tuned to discern your voice and act on the gifts you have given us,

for the sake of Jesus Christ,

Amen.

#### FIRST READING: ACTS 2:1-21

Leader: A reading from the book of Acts

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, they 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. 3Divided 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. 6And 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? 8And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 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." 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 13But 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.'

Leader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-23**

Pastor: The holy gospel according to John

All: Glory to you, O Lord

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

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord.

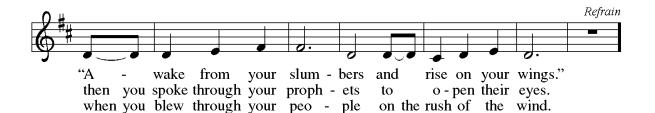
All: Praise to you, O Christ.

# **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**SERMON:** Pastor Kathryn Gulbranson

#### HYMN OF THE DAY: SPIRIT OF GENTLENESS





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#### **APOSTLES' CREED**

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

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.

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. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LEADER: We pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

LEADER: Among the flurry of voices vying for our attention, help us discern your

truth, O God. Give us your Spirit's insight that we may listen and speak  $\,$ 

with sound judgment. God of wisdom,

ALL: hear our prayer.

LEADER: We can experience the presence of your Spirit in all living things if we

tune our hearts accordingly. May we fully embrace and inhabit your creation in ways which inspire us to nurture and protect the natural

world which you have lovingly made. God of wisdom,

ALL: hear our prayer.

LEADER: On this day when the Church celebrates its birthday, we rejoice for the

witness of generations before us, and for the opportunity to carry on their mission in your name. Keep us honest, true and full of integrity as

we pilot the Church throughout this new century. God of wisdom,

ALL: hear our prayer.

LEADER: There are many whom we know need the healing presence of your

Spirit this day. Bless them and use us to minister to them, that all might be restored to wholeness. We lift up this day especially, Phil, Lauren,

Karin, Robin, Ruth, Mercedes, Sue, Sigrun, Shirley, Gene, Nancy,

Christina, Irene, Diane, Pat, Elinor, Dorine, Richard, those battling the coronavirus and those we name silently and aloud (*brief silence*). May

they know that their lives are in your ever-healing hands. God of wisdom,

ALL: hear our prayer.

LEADER: We celebrate the fellowship we share with all your saints of every time

and place, united by one eternal Spirit. Bind us together in permanent

bonds of love, and secure us a place with them in your heavenly

kingdom. God of wisdom,

ALL: hear our prayer.

LEADER: O God, bless all those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries and

celebrations of all kinds, this week. Fill our hearts with love and

acceptance. God of wisdom,

ALL: hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

LEADER: Accept these prayers we bring, O God. Inspire us to go out and be the

answer which the world is seeking, by the power of the Holy Spirit,

ALL: Amen.

## LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

# **DIALOGUE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

# **HOLY COMMUNION**

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**: Joanna Charles - "Simple Gifts"

"Simple Gifts" is a Shaker song written and composed in 1848, generally attributed to Elder Joseph Brackett from Alfred Shaker Village. (Public Domain)

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Pastor: Life-giving God,

All: You have fed us with your word,

and our hearts burn within us.

Through this meal you have opened us to your presence.

Now send us forth to share the gifts of Easter with all in need;

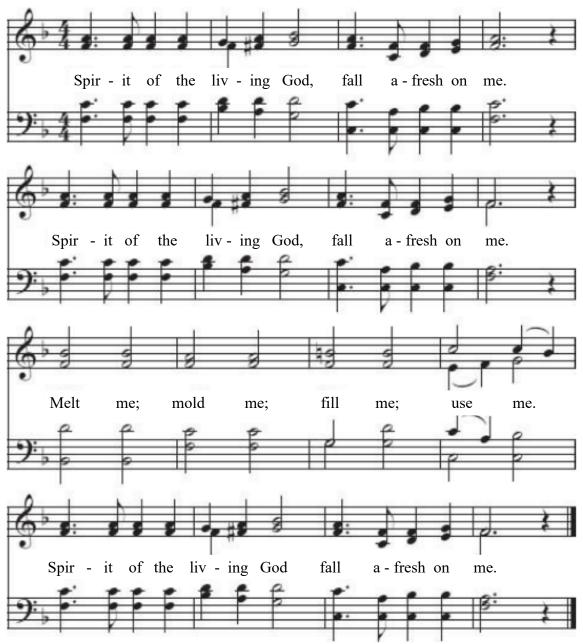
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

# **BLESSING**

Response after blessing: Amen

# SENDING SONG: SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD



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#### **SENDING**

Leader: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

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# **Celebrating the Holy Trinity**

A Special "Service of the Word" from the Sierra Pacific Synod With a sermon by Bishop Elizabeth Eaton



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