

**PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**

May 25, 2025, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Christian Magnell

WELCOME AND GREETING

HYMN

*“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires are known, and from whom no secrets are hid:

**Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your Holy name through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *(time for reflection)*

Let's pray together, most merciful God:

**We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins!

**Thanks be to God!**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S SERMON The Right Direction

HYMN

*“Way Maker”*

FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1-5

*This short reading from the very start of the Bible shows the Spirit of God active in creation.*

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. <sup>3</sup>And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. <sup>4</sup>And

God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. <sup>5</sup>God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

*Today, the Holy Spirit equips and unifies us. He gives us faith and gifts us to live it out.*

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup>You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. <sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says, “Jesus is accursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except in the Holy Spirit. <sup>4</sup>Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup>and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup>and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. <sup>7</sup>To each is given the manifestation

of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup>For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION      God is good.

**All the time.**

GOSPEL READING: John 14:15-26

*The Holy Spirit is God with us now. He teaches and guides us and gifts us to serve.*

<sup>15</sup>“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup>even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. <sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup>Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved

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by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.” <sup>22</sup>Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, “Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?” <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. <sup>24</sup>Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me. <sup>25</sup>“These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

**God is good!**

HYMN

“Sanctuary”

(10:30 led by JaKobe and Kinslea)

SERMON – This I Believe – the Holy Spirit

PRAYER AT RECEIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

*“Shout to the Lord/The Lord’s Prayer”*

Brenda Cronk (10:30)

PRAYER AND BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

And now may the Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace!

**Amen!**

CLOSING SONG *“How Great Is Our God”*

DISMISSAL

Let's go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

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## **Sermon Notes – May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

### **“This I Believe – the Holy Spirit”**

How does the Holy Spirit transform us?

He reminds us of God’s \_\_\_\_\_.

John 14:26

He \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_.

John 14:23-24

He \_\_\_\_\_ us to serve.

1 Corinthians 12:4-7

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