

**St. Matthew Lutheran Church
North Tonawanda, NY
June 5th, 2022**



****The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at this service, Communion is offered to Lutheran members in Altar & Pulpit Fellowship only, we believe based on Scripture and the "Book of Concord", (The Lutheran Confessions) that only those who share the same faith and teaching of Doctrine should Commune together. Acts 2:42, 1 Cor. 10:17, 1 Cor. 11:26 and Rom. 16:17 is where we find this written, if this is your first time at St. Matthew, and would like to take Communion, please talk to the Pastor before the service. If you are taking Communion, please fill out the Communion Registration form. ****

LSB 496 Holy Spirit, Light Divine

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

And the LORD said, "Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech."

They were amazed and astonished, saying, "How is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?"

In the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, **and it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,

and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Give Glory to God, our light and our life!

O come, let us worship Him.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Give Glory to God, our light and our life!

O come, let us worship Him.

Old Testament Reading *Genesis 11:1–9*

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." ⁵And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. ⁶And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." ⁸So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading *Acts 2:1–21*

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. ⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and

proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.”¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?”¹³ But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.¹⁵ For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day.¹⁶ But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:¹⁷” “And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on 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 on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.¹⁹ And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;²⁰ the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.²¹ And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

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Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel *John 14:23–31*

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²³Jesus 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.²⁴ 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.²⁵” “These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you.²⁶ 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.²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the

world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. ²⁸You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. ³⁰I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, ³¹but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.

In many and various ways God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.

But not in these last days, He has spoken to us through His Son.

Let us confess our faith:

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead,

He ascended into heaven

And sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church.

The communion of Saints,

The forgiveness of sins,

The resurrection of the body and the life everlasting, Amen

LSB 770 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Sermon

Offertory

Michael Kelly Blanchard "Who Do You Thank"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

Lord Jesus, You told the Twelve that the Holy Spirit “will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.” And so we ask that You inform our individual minds, our congregation’s ministry, and the work of the Church around the world so that together we bring the Gospel to many people in their diverse cultures, needs, and circumstances. Guide, inform, and protect the leaders of the Church and every faithful member that we use the many gifts of the Spirit here in our day. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Lord over all, people are calling out to You for strength in their vocations, for new opportunities to use their gifts, and for Your direction as they work for peace and concord, for bountiful harvests from field and flock, for health, dignity, justice, and freedom, [*especially . . .*]. Most come to Your throne without our awareness; hear them in Your mercy. Open our hearts and minds so that under Your forgiving grace we serve and love them, being part of Your answers to their pleas. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Into Your hands, heavenly Father, we place ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting that Your Holy Spirit will pray for us and them with groanings too deep for words, and that You will respond in grace and mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray.

Amen.

The Exhortation:

Dear friends in Christ, it is your desire to receive the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ for the assurance of the forgiveness of your sins, the strength of your faith in Him as your savior, and the grace to serve Him with a God-pleasing life. In order that these blessings may be yours, it is necessary that you bear in mind the Word of God recorded by St. John in his first epistle,: “if we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sin, He is faithful and just to forgive our sin and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness”

Confession and Absolution:

I ask you therefore, before the God who searches your heart: Do you confess the sins which you have committed in desire, thought, word and deed? Do you repent of them with all your heart, believe in Jesus Christ for forgiveness, and sincerely intend, with the help of God the Holy Spirit, to amend your sinful life? If so then boldly declare; YES!

YES!

Upon this confession, I as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the place and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Lord remember us on Your kingdom and teach us to pray...

**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.**

Words of Institution:

Our Lord Jesus Christ on the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His Disciples, saying' "Take eat; this is my body which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me."

After the same manner also He took the cup when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it all of you, this is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of your sins. This do, as often as you drink of it, in remembrance of me."

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us, and grant us Your peace.

Amen.

**LSB 637 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord
The Distribution:**

O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good!

And His mercy endures forever!

Post- Communion Prayer

We give thanks, Heavenly Father, that you have given us a foretaste of the feast to come. Keep us firm in the faith during our pilgrimage on earth. Open our eyes to see Your daily and eternal Blessings so that we may continue to give You all the praise. Strengthen us in faith until faith is turned to sight, when we shall celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

Benediction:

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ,

The love of God the Father,

And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen, Amen, Amen

LSB 924 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing