

Introduction to the Day

Pentecost derives its name from the Jewish festival celebrating the harvest and the giving of the law on Mount Sinai fifty days after Passover. Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the Holy Spirit as God's presence within and among us. In Acts the Spirit arrives in rushing wind and flame, bringing God's presence to all people. The apostle Paul reminds us that though we each have different capacities, we are unified in the Spirit that equips us with these gifts. Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on his disciples, empowering them to forgive sin. We celebrate that we too are given the breath of the Holy Spirit and sent out to proclaim God's redeeming love to all the world.

GATHERING

Welcome to Worship ELW Holy Communion Setting 3
Day of Pentecost

Call to Worship

L: Rejoice in the Lord always!

C: Again, I will say, rejoice!

L: Do not worry about anything,

C: But in everything by prayer with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

L: And the peace of God, which passes all understanding,

C: Will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

♪ Gathering Song

"God Is Here!"

ELW 526

Greeting

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

C: And also with you.

♪ Cantic of Praise

"This is the Feast" (ELW p. 140)

Prayer of the Day:

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O God,

C: on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

L: A reading from Acts.

Acts 2:1-21

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: Pastor Aaron Schnell

♪ **Hymn of the Day**

"God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind"

ELW 400

Nicene Creed (ELW p. 104)

Children's Message

Prayers of Intercession

L: Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

MEAL

Offering & Sung Creed (*Offerings may be submitted by PAR, a cheque mailed or delivered to Advent, or by e-transfer to giving@adventlutheran.ca.)*)

♪ **Offertory Song**

"Here I Am" (2x)

Here I Am!

Jerry Salt(er)

Here I am! Lord, let your spir - it come!
Send flames from a - bove to touch us, ev - 'ry - one.
Let us speak in words they un - der - stand.
Ev - 'ry - one will hear words both loud and clear,
tell - ing what the Lord has done.

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Offering Prayer

♪ GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW p. 144)

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

♪ Holy, Holy, Holy (ELW p. 144)

Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer (ELW p. 145)

♪ Communion Song

"Lamb of God" (ELW p. 146)

♪ Communion Hymns:

"Spirit of Gentleness"

"Come, Join the Dance of Trinity"

"O Day Full of Grace"

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

ELW 396

ELW 412

ELW 627

ELW 579

Communion Blessing

Prayer After Communion

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

♪ Sending Song

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

ELW 543

Dismissal:

L: Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

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Worship Statistics

Sunday, May 17th, 10:00 am Attendance:

In Person~57, Online~23, Sunday School~4

Prayers for the Wider Church

- for Bishop Carla Blakley of the Eastern Synod, and for the synod staff, rostered ministers, and people of the Eastern Synod
- for Rev. Craig Wentland, Dean, and the rostered ministers, and people of the East Central Area
- for Ecumenical Officer Deacon Dr. Faith Nostbakken
- for all being called by God into ordained ministry
- for Our Saviour Lutheran, Hay Lakes, and St Joseph Lutheran, Hay Lakes
- for the community engagement and adult program of the Good Shepherd Community Facility and Programs, Bogota, Colombia, its leaders, and staff
- for the bishops, rostered leaders, and people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Venezuela and the Lutheran Churches in India

- for Right Rev. Bishop Sidney Black, Indigenous Bishop of Treaty 7 Territory; for the Most Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson, Anglican Archbishop of Calgary, and the staff, priests, and people of the Anglican Diocese of Calgary

- for Bishop Imad Haddad, pastors and people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, for the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem, and for peace in the Middle East

ACC The Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Ottawa

ELCIC Luther College at the University of Regina and Luther College – High School

TOGETHER Jerusalem and the Holy Land Sunday; The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, The Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, and for peace in the Middle East

Advent Offerings

(May 17, 2025, Year to Date)

Current Fund: \$51,450.65

Blessing Bags: \$600.00

CLWR: \$810.00

SWARM: \$90.00

Basically Babies \$169

Camp Kuriakos: \$100

Food Bank: \$230.00

Youth: \$260.00

Weekly Announcements

Sing for Justice! is an evening of song and fellowship tomorrow night (May 22nd) from 7:00 – 9:30 pm at Hope Lutheran Church. There will be a classic hymn singalong as well as performances by Amicus Singers and the Hope Worship Band. A free-will offering will be collected.

This Sunday, May 24th, is Pentecost, the 50th day of Easter. On this day, we remember the coming of the Holy

Spirit. The Holy Spirit arrived with a rush of wind, tongues of fire and voices speaking in many languages. Perhaps there was even a smell of smoke (sundaysandseasons.cm). Please wear **red**, the liturgical colour of the day!

Kids' Camp Sunday: The next Kids' Camp Sunday will be on **May 24th** at Hope Lutheran Church, beginning at 9:30 am. It is also Hope's Confirmation Sunday, so please pray for them.

JOY Group: Come for lunch with the JOY Group and enjoy lunch, fellowship and getting to know each other. We will go to Chianti Café in Crowfoot on May 28 at 12.00 noon. Hope to see you there. Please RSVP to Gwen or Marv at mtrout@telus.net by Wednesday, May 27th so we can confirm numbers with the restaurant.

Congratulations and Welcome to Sorena who has accepted Advent's Summer Student position as Vacation Bible Camp Coordinator.

ADVENTure: The deadline for submissions to the summer edition of the *ADVENTure* will be end of day on Tuesday, May 26th. Please contact Karin at the office or Connie directly.

Ladies' Potluck: The next Advent Ladies' potluck will be held at noon on Monday, May 25th. Please join us for a time of fun, food and fellowship.

St. Edmund's Foodbank Outreach Association is hosting a garage sale from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on June 27th. Please bring donations to the church and they will then be passed along. Small items can go into the small boxes in the church's front entrance. Larger items can go under the coat rack outside of the church office. Thank you for your generosity!

A **special thanks** to Melodie M. for the beautiful flowers on the altar!

Area Gathering: On Saturday June 6th, First Lutheran Church will be hosting the 2026 area gathering from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. The theme will be "Brave Changes, Shared

Hope: Leadership in a Shrinking Church” with Rev. Dr. Bill Harrison from the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon speaking. He will discuss the church’s traditional emphasis on numbers and four kinds of transformation that will introduce us to a different way of thinking about the church and the good news. Please contact the church by May 31st if you wish to attend.

ELCIC Day of Action: On Sunday, May 31, we’re inviting every congregation to step beyond their walls and into their communities, living out God’s grace and unconditional love. As part of our journey during the ELCIC’s 40th anniversary year, this is our moment to show up through service in Christ’s name. Congregations across the church are stepping out in bold and creative ways — now it’s our turn.

Coffee Fellowship Ministry Sign Up: Hosts are needed for the Coffee Fellowship. This involves preparing coffee, tea and cold drinks, setting up and cleaning up. Treat is optional. No experience needed! On-the-job training is provided. Please sign up soon! The sign-up sheet is nearly empty at the moment.

Flowers: If you are able to donate cut flowers for the altar, please sign up beside the Coffee Sign-up sheet by the kitchen. A new flower sign-up sheet for the next two months has been posted. Please do not bring lilies as some congregation members have severe allergies. Thank you!

Financial Giving: *Thank you to everyone for faithfully continuing to contribute and keeping Advent thriving, whether by weekly or monthly giving through cash, cheques or PAR and e-transfer. Instructions for both the PAR program and e-transfers are under ONLINE GIVING on our website (www.adventlutheran.ca).*

Sunday Service Online Links: If you are only able to join us by **phone**, please call [1.855.703.8985](tel:18557038985). Then press [483 597 7957](#) followed by the pound key (#). Password: **569693**. If you are joining us by **computer**, here is the link: <https://zoom.us/j/4835977957>. Password: **569693**

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Weekly email sign-up? Scan the QR Code or contact the office to connect with us!

Serving Soon	May 24, 2026	May 31, 2026
	Kids' Camp @ Hope	Baptism
Worship Presider	Pastor Aaron S.	Pastor Aaron S.
Assisting Minister	John M.	Toby S.
Communion Asst.	Heather R.	Amaris C.
Altar Guild	Melodie M.	Evelyn S.
Lector	Monique L.	Greg L.
Ushers	Phil F. & Karin J.	Steve C. & Bruce M.
Greeters	Kirsten B.	Kirsten B.
Sound/Zoom	Garry Y. & Amanda J.	Paul M. & Garry Y.
Musician	Mika P.	Sorena C.
Offering Counters	Bryce J. & Harold Z.	Geoff, Deana & Ron
Coffee Fellowship	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed
Flowers	Melodie M.	Rose P.

We give thanks to Jesus, the Creator who sets free, who has gifted us with this land that we are blessed to share and care for together. We acknowledge that the land we gather on, Mohkinstsis, is the ancestral territory of the Siksikaitsitapi: the Siksika, Kainai, Piikani, and Amskapi Pikuni. We acknowledge all the Treaty 7 signatories, including the Tsuut'ina people, as well as the Iyarhe Nakoda Nations: Bearspaw, Chiniki, and Wesley. This land is also the home of Métis Nation Region 3 and all other people who make their home here.