

Welcome to
St. Luke Union Church

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Sunday Worship Service— Pentecost

May 24, 2026 10:30 am

Hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. Romans 5:5

WELCOME

PRELUDE

HYMN #322

“Spirit of the Living God”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to Jesus, you who are thirsty.

Alleluia!

Drink deeply of the Holy Spirit.

Alleluia!

Let your heart overflow with the living water that renews the face of the earth.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, like a rushing wind your Spirit moved upon the first disciples on the day of Pentecost, and like a purifying fire your Spirit seared their hearts and minds with the message of salvation. Send your Spirit upon your church in this time and place, stir up our courage, and rouse us for prophetic witness, that we may join with them to proclaim to the world your mighty deeds of power in Jesus Christ.

Amen.

***HYMN #129**

“Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us”

CALL TO CONFESSION

God has promised that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Therefore, let us call upon the Lord, confessing our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of new creation, we confess that we have failed to trust your bountiful goodness. By the power of the Holy Spirit you brought forth the earth and its creatures in abundance. Yet, we hoard earth's resources and refuse to share your gifts. We dishonor your generosity by withholding our charity to those in need. We betray your kindness by dealing harshly with our enemies. We disregard your compassion by severely judging the sins of others. Forgive us. By the power of your Spirit renew our hearts and free us from sins that we may enjoy the fullness of your blessing upon all creation. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers, God offers forgiveness of our sins and the grace of repentance. Accept God's grace, repent of your sin, and be restored to abundant life. In Jesus' name you are forgiven.

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #106 (Refrain/Verse 2/Refrain)**

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks”

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, speak to us in the language of our hearts, that we may hear your Word with understanding and answer your call with confidence. **Amen.**

GOSPEL LESSON

John 7:37-39

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:3-13

ANTHEM

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”
SLUC Choir

EPISTLE LESSON

Acts 2:1-21

SERMON

“This is Not Disorder”
Rev. Dr. Andrew J. Gifford

***HYMN**

“Holy Spirit”

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

***HYMN #428 (Verse 1)**

“We Give Thee but Thine Own”

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN #128**

“On Pentecost They Gathered”
(Tune: The Church's One Foundation)

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

***HYMN #593**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

***POSTLUDE**