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Mission Statement
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June 2022, Newsletter for Wilson Lutheran Church



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What a Gift!

"When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And 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. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability."

(Acts 2:1-4)

The Easter season concludes with the Day of Pentecost, originally observed by Jews to celebrate the wheat harvest. Over time its purpose changed to become the commemoration of the giving of the law to Moses on Mount Sinai. As the fiftieth day of Easter, Christians maintained the festival, but changed its focus to become a celebration of the Spirit of the risen Christ in the church.

Pentecost is thought of both as the birthday of the Christian church (although the followers of Jesus Christ would not be known as "Christians" until later), and as the day on which the Apostles received the gift of the Holy Spirit while they were still gathered in Jerusalem after the Resurrection. Others have suggested it might be more appropriate to celebrate it as the church's baptismal day, a suggestion I rather like. Whether we celebrate Pentecost as one or the other or all three, the reason for doing so is the same. We celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit, God's response to Jesus' promise.

Here's the thing about all that. The same gift the Apostles received on the Day of Pentecost, we receive in the sacrament of Holy Baptism. In fact, we might say the gift of the Holy Spirit is the fullness of baptism. As our baptismal liturgy proclaims, we are "sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever." That which was given to Peter and the other Apostles changed their lives forever, and so changes our lives.

As Christians, we share this common birth and receive in common the gift of the Holy Spirit; that gift which proclaims we are all children of God – forever, forming the basis of our life-giving relationship with God and the community of faith, the church universal. In the power of that gift, we are empowered, just as the Spirit empowered the Apostle's on that first Pentecost, to proclaim the Good News and continue Christ's mission in the world.

The gift of the Spirit is one of those gifts that just keeps on giving. The same Spirit we received in our baptism continues to give new life, working to create and sustain faith in Jesus Christ wherever the Gospel is proclaimed and the Sacraments celebrated; uniting all who believe into one body, the church, a community of faith in communion with God the Father and God the Son.

We receive a lot of gifts during our lifetime, some of which receive a lot of thought before they're given; gifts that tell us we are special and that we are loved. Others are given with little prior thought, other than what it took to find an item on sale that would be "good enough". But the gift of the Spirit was more than a mere thought, and it certainly was not on the sale rack.

It comes to us with the gentle sprinkling of water on our heads instead of on tongues of fire riding on the rush of a violent wind, but there's no question, however it comes, what a gift it is; the gift of a lifetime.

Pastor Bob

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

June 2022 – Season After Pentecost

"On Pentecost, we celebrate that we have been given an Advocate to accompany us. Poured out in wind and fire, water, wine and bread, the Holy Spirit abides in and among us. We give thanks that God speaks to each of us, no matter our origins, language, or life path. Filled with the Spirit of truth, we go out from worship to proclaim the saving power of Christ's love and the freedom of God's grace with all the world." Sundays and Season Year C 2022, Augsburg Fortress.

Sunday, June 5 - Day of Pentecost

- Color: Red
- ❖ Holy Communion Chancel Rail
- Readings: Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17
- ❖ Holy Gospel: John 14:8-27: Though the disciples struggle with Jesus' nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God's mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promises the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.

One Holy Trinity Sunday the church celebrates the Holy Trinity. "Paul writes that through Jesus we have peace with God, whose love pours into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, giving us lasting hope. We celebrate the gracious One-in-Three, eternal Three-in-One, as we worship in community; as we share water and word, bread and wine; and as we brin God's love and hope to our neighbors." Sundays and Season Year C 2022, Augsburg Fortress.

Sunday, June 12 - Holy Trinity

- Color: White
- Holy Communion Continuous Serving
- Readings: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5
- Holy Gospel: John 16:12-15: Jesus' ongoing presence with the disciples will be made known through the coming Spirit who will guide them and communicate to them Jesus' will and glory.

Sunday, June 19 - Pentecost 2

- Color: Green
- Holy Communion Continuous Serving
- ❖ Readings: Isaiah 65:1-9; Psalm 22:19-28; Galatians 23-29
- Holy Gospel: Luke 8:26-39: Jesus' mission includes foreigners and his authority extends to the casting out of demons. Some who witness Jesus' work are seized with confusion and fear, but the man who was healed is commissioned to give testimony to God's mercy and power.

Sunday, June 26 - Pentecost 3

- Service: With One Voice
- Color: Green
- No Communion
- Readings: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21; Psalm 16; Galatians 5:1, 13-25
- Holy Gospel: Luke 9:51-62: Jesus is unwavering in his commitment to his mission in Jerusalem and will not be swayed by pettiness. In a series of striking cases in point, he calls his disciples to a similar singlemindedness.

MISSION STATEMENT

GATHERED - RENEWED - SENT

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Pastor's Office Hours: Pastor Bob may be reached at the church office, 715-772-3150, Wednesday through Friday, and Saturday morning. In the event of an emergency or hospitalization, he can be reached at 715-235-4900 (home), 612-270-3838 (cell), or by email at PastorBob@wwt.net.

Pastor's Vacation: Pastor Bob will be taking some vacation time beginning Monday, June 13 returning to the office Wednesday June 29. Pastor Dave Natzke will preside at worship of June 19 and 26. In case of emergency, Pastor Bob may be reached on his cell phone at 612-270-3838.

Wilson WELCA: WELCA meetings are cancelled until further notice.

Wilson Council: The next regular meeting is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. Thursday, June 9. All members of the church are welcome to attend.

May 12, 2022 Council Meeting Highlights: (Complete minutes are available in the church office.)

- Thank you notes were passed around from Spring Valley Community Cancer Fund, Spring Valley
 Food Pantry, Elmwood Food Pantry and Zion Lutheran Food Pantry for donations from Easter
 Lilies and Lent Offering.
- Synod Assembly was attended by Pastor Bob via Zoom.
- Pastor Bob attended Boundaries Training on May 10.
- Chancel rail communion will start the first Sunday of June.
- There was no summer camp sign up.
- David Powers will check into getting two signs made with cemetery guidelines to be posted.
- Council members will provide coffee and snacks for Sunday, May 15 when Bishop Laurie will be guest preacher.
- Casual Sundays will begin Sunday, June 5 for the summer months.
- Newsletters for July and August will be combined.
- Louanne made a motion to not have a council meeting in July, second by Jerry. Motion carried.

Summer Worship: Remember the "Service of Word and Prayer" in the <u>With One Voice</u> hymnal, the blue one that's been hanging out in the pew hymnal holders for so many years. Well, it's back! After a couple of years hiatus, caused by a summer of not being able to worship together and pastor's poor memory last summer, we'll be using it this summer for our non-communion Sunday worship during June, July and August. June 26 will be the first Sunday. Welcome back WOV!

Tuesday Community Supper: First Reformed Church will be handing out supper from 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 in the Gethsemane parking lot. Drive by to pick up a meal of pulled pork sandwich, lettuce salad, chips and a bar.

The Tuesday Community Supper is served the first Tuesday of the month at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 1350 Florence Street, Baldwin, Wisconsin. This is a free meal open to anyone in the community. Area churches, businesses and organizations take turns preparing and serving good nutritious food.

Food Pantry Support: Thank you for you continuing support of our Food Pantry program serving the five area food pantries: Baldwin, Elmwood, Glenwood City, Spring Valley, and Woodville. People are continuing to seek help from food pantries, so your contributions are especially welcomed. Don't forget to include items like paper products and personal care supplies.

Your Generous April donations again filled the Food Pantry box and went to support the Woodville Food Shelf. June contributions will go to the Spring Valley Food Shelf.

THANK YOU NOTES RECEIVED

WOW! Thank you so very much for sharing this year's Lenten offering of \$1400 with the Spring Valley Community Cancer Fund. We are so honored and blessed.

Your generous donation will help us continue our mission to support members of the Spring Valley community receiving treatments for cancer. Currently we a sending support to eight community members. Members of the SVCCF Committee.

Virtual Easter Lily Food Shelf Donations

Thank you so much for the recent donation of \$164 from you Virtual Easter Lily donations. We truly appreciate you continued Support. Happy Spring! Elmwood Food Pantry

The Spring Valley Community Food Pantry thanks you for your generous monetary gift from you Virtual Easter Lily donations. Blessings to all of you!

Thank you so much for your continued support! Virtual Easter Lilies was a great idea. God Bless you all. Zion Lutheran Church (Woodville Food Shelf)

Birthdays Anniversaries Mary Brandt June 18 Mike and Sherry Ellefson June 2 Maxx Wittmer June 2 Jolene Finder Rex and Janet Brandt June 4 June 18 Nicole Witter June 13 June 4 Pat Butler June 22 **David Gedatus** June 14 Darren and Heidi Peterson June 4 Phillip Eng June 22 Connor McVey June 17 Doug and Mary Brandt June 5 Kelly Arlen Kerr June 23 Jaimie Wittmer June 25 Ben and Nicole Lamb Luke Deppa June 8 June 27 Barb Lamb June 25 Doug and Michelle Larson June 10 Don Spielman June 28 Karen Keck June 26 Paul and Kari Deppa June 12 **Abigail Pomasl** June 29 Shirley Rostamo June 12 Becky Stahl June 29 Debrah Tolvanen June 13 Jesse Lamb June 29 Dennis Blegen June 13 Milo Curtis June 30 Chad Langer June 15 Kerry Wittmer June 30 Ryan Peterson

PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES – June 2022

GETTING OLDER

- I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited!
- Age 60 may be the new 40, but 9:00 p.m. is the new midnight.
- When I say, "The other day", I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago.
- Old age is when you still have something on the ball but you're just too tired to bounce it.
- I've been thinking about making a fitness video for people my age. I'd call it "Pumping Rust".

ACOLYTE and READER SCHEDULE

Month	Date	Acolyte	Reader	
June	5	Ryan Peterson	Tracy Davis	
	12	Billy Gray	Darren Peterson	
	19	Cade Lamb	Linda Powers	
	26	Ryan Peterson	Sherry Ellefson	
July	3	Cade Lamb	Kathy Borton	
	10	Ryan Peterson	Ginny Overland	
	17	Billy Gray	Dean Rambo	
	24	Cade lamb	Doug Faber	
	31	Ryan Peterson	Don Hogenson	

ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP

Month	Altar Care	Communion Assistant	Ushers	Sundays
June	Dean and Linda Rambo	Dean Rambo	Doug Faber and Louanne Anderson	4 Sundays Father's Day
July	Help Needed	Help Needed	Help Needed	5 Sundays

Please contact the church office if you are unable to serve as scheduled.

July Worship Help

Worship Assistants are needed for July. If you are unable to serve all the days during the month, consider serving at one or more of the services. Please contact the office if you are able to help.





Wyatt Jerome Faber, his parents Trenton and Danielle Faber and Sponsors Dustin Hanson and Austin Faber, celebrated the sacrament of Holy Baptism for Wyatt on Sunday, April 24. Welcome to God's family Wyatt.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES RECOGNIZED



Xen Larson, son of Doug and Michelle Larson, was recognized for his high school graduation on Sunday, May 1. Xen is a graduate of Spring Velley High School.

Xen also received a special blessing from the congregation for his enlistment in the U.S. Air Force. Xen left for basic training on May 17.



Matthew Finder, son of Kevin and Mona Finder, Emma Lamb, daughter of Matt and Chandra Lamb, and Coy Stasiek, son of Dan and Mandy Stasiek, were recognized of their high gradation on Sunday, May 8. Matt is a graduate of Menomonie High School. Emma is a graduate of Glenwood City High School. Coy is a graduate of Spring Valley High School. Congratulations Matt, Emma and Coy on your milestone achievement.

Graduates are recognized with a special prayer and blessing, and receive a quilt as a gift of the congregation.

I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older. Then it dawned on me. They're cramming for their finals. As for me, I'm just hoping God grades on a curve 😊.



Revised Common Lectionary Daily Readings – Year C June 2022

Date	Day	Psalm	First Reading	Second Reading	Gospel
1	Wednesday	Psalm 29	Ezekiel 3:12-21		Luke 9:18-27
2	Thursday	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Isaiah 32:11-17	Galatians 5:16-25	
3	Friday	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Isaiah 44:1-4	Galatians 6:7-10	
4	Saturday	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	2 Kings 2:1-15a		Luke 1:5-17
5	Sunday Pentecost	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Acts 2:1-21	Romans 8:14-17	John 14:8-17, 25-27
6	Monday	Psalm 48	Joel 2:18-29	1 Corinthians 2:1-11	
7	Tuesday	Psalm 48	Ezekiel 11:14-25	1 Corinthians 2:12-16	
8	Wednesday	Psalm 48	Numbers 24:1-14		Luke 1:26-38
9	Thursday	Psalm 8	Proverbs 3:13-18	Ephesians 1:17-19	
10	Friday	Psalm 8	Proverbs 3:19-26	Ephesians 4:1-6	
11	Saturday	Psalm 8	Proverbs 4:1-9		Luke 2:41-52
12	Sunday Holy Trinity	Psalm 8	Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31	Romans 5:1-5	John 16:12-15
13	Monday	Psalm 124	Proverbs 7:1-4	Ephesians 4:7-16	
14	Tuesday	Psalm 124	Proverbs 8:4-21	Ephesians 5:15-20	
15	Wednesday	Psalm 124	Daniel 1:1-21		Luke 1:46b-55
16	Thursday	Psalm 22:19-28	Isaiah 56:9-12	Romans 2:17-29	
17	Friday	Psalm 22:19-28	Isaiah 57:1-13	Galatians 3:15-22	
18	Saturday	Psalm 22:19-28	Isaiah 59:1-8		Matthew 9:27-34
19	Sunday	Psalm 22:19-28	Isaiah 65:1-9	Galatians 3:23-29	Luke 8:26-39
20	Monday	Psalm 64	Job 18:1-21	1 Corinthians 1:18-31	
21	Tuesday	Psalm 64	Job 19:1-22	Ephesians 2:11-22	
22	Wednesday	Psalm 64	Ezekiel 32:1-10		Luke 9:37-43a
23	Thursday	Psalm 16	Leviticus 9:22-10:1	2 Corinthians 13:5-10	
24	Friday	Psalm 16	2 Kings 1:1-16	Galatians 4:8-20	
25	Saturday	Psalm 16	Deuteronomy 32:15-27, 39-43		Luke 9:21-27
26	Sunday	Psalm 16	1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21	Galatians 5:1, 13-25	Luke 9:51-62
27	Monday	Psalm 140	Genesis 24:34-41, 50-67	1 John 2:7-11	
28	Tuesday	Psalm 140	Jeremiah 3:15-18	Ephesians 5:6-20	
29	Wednesday	Psalm 140	Jeremiah 23:16-22		Matthew 10:16-25
30	Thursday	Psalm 66:1-9	2 Kings 21:1-15	Romans 7:14-25	

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Prayer Ventures June 2022

- **1** *LGBTQ Pride Month* Give thanks for the gifts, wisdom and faith of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer neighbors and siblings in Christ. Ask the Spirit to stir and embolden us to advocate for laws, practices, values, and institutional and social change that address injustice, bias and exclusion.
- **2** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Central/Southern Illinois, Nebraska, North Carolina and Sierra Pacific synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders, proclaim the gospel, serve our neighbor and do God's work in the world.
- **3** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Florida-Bahamas, Lower Susquehanna, Montana, Northwestern Ohio, South Dakota, Southeastern and Western North Dakota synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders, proclaim the gospel, serve our neighbor and do God's work in the world.
- **4** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Eastern North Dakota, Metropolitan Chicago, Northwest Washington and West Virginia-Western Maryland synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders, proclaim the gospel, serve our neighbor and do God's work in the world.
- **5** Day of Pentecost Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Northern Illinois and Upstate New York synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders, proclaim the gospel, serve our neighbor and do God's work in the world.
- **6** Pray for an end to the invasion of Ukraine and the violence inflicted upon its citizens, for the safety and wellbeing of its refugees, for the healing of its communities and for the restoration of its infrastructure.
- **7** The ELCA World Hunger Global Farm Challenge is a youth-focused campaign to accompany our neighbors who live with the threats of hunger and poverty. Pray that our church will meet its fundraising goal of \$500,000 to equip communities around the world and in the U.S. with the

- resources needed to turn hunger into hope and selfsufficiency.
- **8** Remember your baptism and give thanks that, in Christ and through the Spirit, our new identity as children and heirs of God is revealed, shaped and guided so that we might live our faith with confidence and joy and serve our neighbor with compassion, mercy and generosity.
- **9** Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Central States, Indiana-Kentucky and New England synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders, proclaim the gospel, serve our neighbor and do God's work in the world.
- 10 Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Grand Canyon; La Crosse Area; Northeastern Pennsylvania; Metropolitan Washington, D.C.; Northeastern Iowa; Northwestern Pennsylvania; and Southwestern Texas synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders, proclaim the gospel, serve our neighbor and do God's work in the world.
- 11 Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Southwestern Minnesota, Southwestern California and Allegheny synods, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders, proclaim the gospel, serve our neighbor and do God's work in the world.
- **12** Holy Trinity Sunday Celebrate and pray for our faith to deepen as we embrace the mystery of the Holy Trinity Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, always present for us.
- 13 Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assembly of the South Carolina Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders, proclaim the gospel, serve our neighbor and do God's work in the world.
- 14 "When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?" (Psalm 8:3-4). Give thanks and praise that God shows no bias, understands our human complexities and is not constrained by human borders, rules or traditions.

- **15** Pray that our hope and strength will be grounded and renewed in God's boundless and unfaltering love, especially in times when we feel uncertain, discouraged or powerless to impact what goes on in the world today.
- 16 Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assemblies of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders, proclaim the gospel, serve our neighbor and do God's work in the world.
- 17 Emanuel Nine, martyrs Today we remember the members of Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, N.C., who were killed by a self-professed white supremacist while gathered for Bible study. Pray that we as individuals, a church and a society will reaffirm our commitment to repent from the sins of racism and white supremacy, and that the Spirit will change our hearts and lead us to value, love and welcome all people as the wonderful handiwork of God.
- 18 Pray for the leaders, voting members and others gathering for the assembly of the Upper Susquehanna Synod, that the Spirit will strengthen, guide and encourage them as they reflect on the mission of the church, choose leaders, proclaim the gospel, serve our neighbor and do God's work in the world.
- 19 Juneteenth This day of celebration commemorates the end of slavery in the United States, an observance dating back to June 19, 1865. Give thanks to God for the diversity of humankind and pray that God will help, guide and strengthen our commitment to work for the full inclusion of all people in the church, in our society and throughout the world.
- **20** On Father's Day, give thanks and pray for fathers, stepfathers, foster fathers, fathers struggling with parenting, and men without children of their own who serve as loving and caring adults in the lives of children and youth.
- **21** Remember in prayer seasonal workers, often working behind the scenes, who are in transition throughout the year; pray that they will find safe and sustaining employment, affordable housing and a sense of community in our congregations.
- **22** Give thanks and praise that God is at work to reclaim, transform and unite us as children of God through our baptism in Christ.
- 23 Pray that summer programs and community ministries of our congregations will stir faith and hope and attend to

- the needs of communities. Give thanks for volunteers who share their enthusiasm, faith, time and gifts to help summer ministries thrive.
- **24** John the Baptist Though we may lack the single-mindedness, fervor and sacrificial spirit of John the Baptist in proclaiming Christ, give thanks that God uses our unique qualities and gifts to serve our neighbor and share the life-changing gospel with whomever we encounter in our daily life.
- 25 Pray for programs and partners of the ELCA churchwide organization that support young adults as they grow in faith and discover who God is calling them to be in the world, including ELCA Young Adult Ministry, Young Adults in Global Mission, Young Adult Justice Network, Campus Ministry, and outdoor ministries.
- **26** Pray that we might follow Christ with passion and commitment, sharing the good news, inviting others into faith and showing grace toward our neighbor when we encounter resistance, difficulty or disbelief.
- **27** Pray that God will hear our concern and yearning for our communities and schools to be safe from gun violence; pray that the Spirit will transform that concern and yearning into advocacy for common-sense gun laws, community conversations and initiatives, and loving care for those impacted by gun violence.
- **28** Give thanks and pray for the safety of firefighters, first responders, members of the National Guard, disaster response volunteers, relief agencies and neighbors who respond to individuals and communities in times of severe weather and natural disaster.
- **29** Peter and Paul, apostles Peter and Paul disagreed with each other yet were united in their commitment to spread the good news of Jesus Christ and encourage communities of faith. Pray that we will be united in our faith as siblings in Christ, moving beyond our differences and using our unique gifts and perspectives to do God's work in the world, together.
- **30** Pray for the churchwide organization staff and volunteer leaders across the country preparing for the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans, and for the congregations, youth and adults anticipating this rich experience of worship, community, faith formation, learning and service.

JUNE 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5 Day of Pentecost 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion	6 Pastor's Sabbath	7 Pastor's Day Off	8	9 12:30 Council Meeting	10	11
12 Holy Trinity 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion	13 Pastor Vacation ——	14	15	16	17	18
19 Pastor Vacation 9:00 Worship with Holy Communion – Pastor Natzke	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Pastor Vacation 9:00 Worship – Pastor Natzke	27	28	29	30	July 1	2