

Worship Plan for Sunday, May 31, 2020

Day of Pentecost

HYMN SING *Borning Cry* (ELW 732)



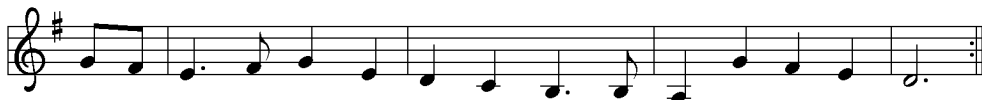
- 1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
- 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
- 3 "In the mid-dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.
you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."
I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



- 4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (ELW p. 94)

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people,
turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your
Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and
grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and
given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and
humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and
unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn
us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live
and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior
and Lord.**

Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us,
and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained
minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare
to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GATHERING SONG *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* (ELW 800)

1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;
 4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love,

wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
 all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
 one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame:

stoop to my weak - ness, strength to me im - part,
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no op - 'ning skies;
 I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling.
 the bap - tism of the heav'n - de - scend - ed dove,

and make me love you as I ought to love.
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!
 my heart an al - tar, and your love the flame.

Text: George Croly, 1780–1860
 Music: MÖRECAMBE, Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841–1897

GREETING (ELW p. 213)

P: 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Spirit of fire, your holy presence burns bright within this world. Spread your spirit throughout our communities, so that our hearts may burn with love and hope. Amen.

READING : Mark 1:4-8

P: A reading from Mark. ⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

C: Word of God, word of life.

P: Thanks be to God.

BRIDGING GOD'S STORY

READING: Acts 2:1-4

P: A reading from Acts. ¹When 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.

READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-13

P: A reading from 1 Corinthians.

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body — Jews or Greeks, slaves or free — and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

C: Word of God, word of life.

P: Thanks be to God.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Will You Come and Follow Me: The Summons* (ELW 798)



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

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CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

We call on your spirit of unity, giving thanks for our different vocations. Activate and utilize the diverse gifts present in your church, that they reveal your love for all. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We call on your spirit of life, present in air, wind, humidity, storms, and oxygen in our atmosphere, breathing energy into all things. Heal with your breath the whole creation, especially those who struggle to breathe due to air pollution. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We call on your spirit of righteousness. Wherever we as a people are divided, unite us. Wherever we are prideful, humble us. Give each one of us a heart for justice and empathy. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We call on your spirit of healing. Bless nurses, doctors, midwives, chaplains, counselors, and hospice workers as they care for those in need. We pray for all who long for comfort (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We call on your spirit of friendship. As Elizabeth welcomed Mary to her home, give us a spirit of welcome to those whom we meet in this congregation and outside these doors. Surprise us daily with unexpected grace, that we rejoice in every blessing you send. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Holy God, bless those among us who have birthdays this week, especially **Judy, Deanna, Phyllis, Richard, Carol, Peggy, Susan, Chris & Leslie**. Bless those who celebrate anniversaries this week especially **James & Linda, Robert & Jane**. Thank you for their lives in our congregation. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We call on your spirit of hope. As you have led your saints in all times and places, stir in us the desire to follow their example, leading us from death to new life in you. Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (ELW p. 221)

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**C: 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.**

BLESSING

P: May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing.

Almighty God, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

MISSION MINUTE

DISMISSAL

P: Christ is risen, just as he said.

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

~Weekly Message~

Hello East Koshkonong!

Happy Birthday, Dear Church! This is not East Koshkonong's birthday, but it is Pentecost, which is often considered the birthday of the church because it's when the people received the Holy Spirit and the people started organizing as Jesus followers after Jesus ascended to the sky.

To remember this day, I invite you to wear Pentecost red, which is the color of the day. It symbolizes the fire of the Holy Spirit that was placed on the heads of the people on Pentecost day in Acts 2. Do you have to wear red if no one is going to see it or understand it? No, but it might put you in a festive mood to remember that God's Spirit is with you, and that this is an incredible gift from God.

I would like to invite you to join me for lunch over the phone or video on Wednesdays at noon, or in the evening for "office hours" on Wednesdays, 5-7pm. If you'd like to connect with me in this way, please email me at pastor.brendalovick@gmail.com or call or text at 608-616-5085. If you'd like to connect with me at another time, no problem - let's schedule something to make it happen.

I also want you to know that on Sunday, June 7, Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton is providing a sermon for Trinity Sunday for pastors to have a Sunday off. I will be using that opportunity to have some much needed rest and renewal with my family. The video will be sent via email and posted on Facebook. I invite you to join another church in worship via Facebook, YouTube, or television and to pay attention to what Julie and I send you from Presiding Bishop Eaton.

God bless you all! As one of my very favorite pastor friends has said to her people: "Go in peace! Wash your hands. Thanks be to God."

Peace, Pastor Brenda Lovick

~Prayers~

To make a prayer requests: Please call church office 608-423-3017 or email eastkoshkononglutheranchurch@gmail.com before noon Tuesday. Requests will remain on this list for 3 weeks unless otherwise noted.

-Thanks for **New Guinea missionaries John and Amy Lindstrom, and Lutheran Disaster Response.**

-Healing and comfort to **Sylvia** (Gerlach), **Judy** (Rusch), **Verdal** (Anderson), **Eric** (Krueger), **Gary** (Krueger), **Walter** (Furseth), **Jeff** (Walheim), **Sara** (Depies) & **Kevin** (Porter).

-For the grieving families of **Ralph** (Proctor) *Linda Dieckhoff's father*, **Lois** (Heise) & **Hunter** (Kottke)

-For veterans and those deployed, especially **Axel Gaarder.**

~Calendar~

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday

8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

During this time of the *Safer at Home* order most office hours are done remotely. Please know during office hours you can always reach the Church office by email. You may also leave a message on the church answering machine, it is being checked regularly during office hours. God Bless you.

Sunday, May 31, 2020

9:00am Worship: Live Stream Facebook & YouTube

Monday, June 1, 2020

Facebook Book Study: *Everything Happens for a Reason and Other Lies I've Loved* by Kate Bowler.

4:30pm Conference Call Worship Committee

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

8:30am Zoom Staff Meeting

9:30am Prayers for our People Live Stream Facebook

1:30pm Zoom Book Study: *Outlaw Christian: Finding Authentic Faith by Breaking the 'Rules'* by Jacqueline Bussie.

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

10:00am Assembly planning meeting

12:00pm-1:00pm Virtual Lunch with Pastor Brenda (Call/Text Pastor Brenda 608-616-5085 or email: pastor.brendalovick@gmail.com)

1:30pm Zoom Local Pastor Meeting

4:00pm Zoom Book Study: *Mirror for the Soul: A Christian Guide to the Enneagram* by Alice Fryling.

5pm-7pm Virtual Office Hours (Call/Text Pastor Brenda 608-616-5085 or email: pastor.brendalovick@gmail.com)

Thursday, June 4, 2020

10:00am Zoom Conference Meeting

Friday, June 5, 2020

Pastor's Day Off

Sunday, June 7, 2020

9:00am Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton is providing a sermon for Trinity Sunday. Look for an email with link next week.

~Announcements~

Give Plus – You may make a secure offering donation to EKLC by online giving: **Church website**, **Download the Give Plus App** on your smartphone or

Scan QR Code:



You may also mail your offering to EKLC, 454 East Church Rd., Cambridge, WI 53523

Check out our new website! www.eastkoshkonong.org

Phone Calls, Conference Calls and Video meetings can happen at any time. If there are youth that want to meet together, adults who want to connect about resources or studies or committee meetings or just talking to each other, we can schedule private meetings via Zoom (Zoom can be by video or phone) at any time. Private meetings with Zoom are safer and secure than public meetings as you've been hearing in the news. We are fortunate that we can connect with each other in this way.

Fireside Christian Fish Fry Cancelled. Due to the uncertainty of gathering events and our health, the EKLC Women of the ELCA have decided to cancel the July Fireside event.

Summer Worship and Study Series: Our summer sermon series (June 14-September 6) will focus heavily on the book of Romans, and Pastor Brenda will be using this book as a guide for our conversation: *Lutheran Questions, Lutheran Answers* by Martin Marty. ISBN-13: 978-0806653501 If you'd like to order the book to follow along with Pastor, you are welcome to order it from Amazon, or Barnes and Noble, or wherever you purchase your books. This purchase is not necessary for the sermon series, but you are welcome to get it and follow along.

Current Book Studies at EKLC We have many book studies going on right now. These are not limited to EKLC, invite a friend! Books may be ordered from Amazon or Barnes and Noble. If you don't have access to those resources, let Pastor Brenda know, and she can order one for you. (608-616-5085 or pastor.brendalovick@gmail.com) There are two formats for these studies. The first is a Facebook conversation, all on your time, no meetings. The others are conference call or video call format, no Facebook. You can call in either by phone or by video.

Studies begin the week of 4/20. This first week will only be introductions and schedule of readings. Order your book and jump in at any time!

- Join our Facebook group for 11 weeks, to study *Everything Happens for a Reason and Other Lies I've Loved* by Kate Bowler. ISBN-13: 978-0399592089. For this study, there are podcasts to listen to and videos to watch.
- **Tuesdays at 1:30 pm:** For 7 weeks, discuss *Outlaw Christian: Finding Authentic Faith by Breaking the 'Rules'* by Jacqueline Bussie. ISBN-13: 978-0718076641.
- **Wednesdays at 4:00 pm:** For 7 weeks discuss: *Mirror for the Soul: A Christian Guide to the Enneagram* by Alice Fryling. ISBN-13: 978-0830846320.

Contact Pastor Brenda and let her know which study you'd like to join. She will include you in the group that you want to be part of.

If you have a book or a Bible study you'd like to talk about with others please let Pastor Brenda know!

FUTURE OF IN-PERSON WORSHIP AT EKLC

As we approach the end of the Safer at Home order in Dane County next week, many questions and concerns still exist. We are keeping the best interest of our membership and communities in mind by continuing to suspend in person services at EKLC.

We all look forward to the time when we can safely gather again for worship, however, it will look very different in the immediate future. Restrictions will be based on recommendations from public health officials. Please remember, we are an older, more vulnerable congregation. Health and safety during this pandemic are our first and foremost concern as a faith community. When the time comes that it is deemed safe by the public health department and Church Council, there will be some changes for our in-person worship. We ask your prayers, patience, and understanding as we implement these health precautions against the COVID-19 virus:

1. Physical distancing will be maintained. Some pews will be roped off, you may not be able to sit in your normal spot. Please sit with family household members only.
2. Attendees should plan to wear masks.
3. Hymnals, bibles, pens etc. will be removed from the pews.
4. There will be no singing, passing of the peace or Communion.
5. The offering plate will not be passed, it will be located in the narthex.
6. No congregating in the Friendship Hall before or after worship, no food.
7. Everyone will be required to sanitize their hands before and after worship.
8. Everyone is expected to arrive, sit, worship, and then leave immediately following worship.
9. We will disinfect the sanctuary, doors, bathrooms, and other spaces we use.

Pastor Brenda will continue online services on Sundays, and Prayers for our people on Tuesday. We are discussing various ideas of how to gather together in the future while remaining safe. We are researching the possibility of having a “drive in” service in June sometime, where members could stay in their cars and tune in to Pastor Brenda preaching outside at church – Stay Tuned!

We will continue to monitor the situation over the coming weeks, and are looking forward to the time when it is safe for groups of 50 to gather. This is more feasible to attempt worship than restricting to 25 or fewer.

We will communicate plans as quickly as we can on all platforms. We ask you to communicate with church friends who do not use the internet or computer – this is the most important things we can do right now! Stay in touch with them and keep them informed so they are not left out!

During this challenging time, let’s keep identifying the blessings we have in our lives. Pray for all those combatting this virus, and for the time when we can all be together to worship again soon.

Your Church Council

DEVOTIONS

Think about devotions as a continuation of our common worship. The following basic pattern could be one way of forming your household's devotions. Adapt as necessary.

GATHERING

✦ Light a candle to help you focus this time as "God time."

✦ Prayer of the Week

Dear God, you are indeed the giver of all good gifts. You have gifted each of us with different talents. Help us to use our gifts in this world so that we may be instruments of your love. Make our gifts known to us so that we can serve others in need. Amen.

CARING CONVERSATION

Take a moment to check in with each other or to use the questions below.

- ✦ **Highs & Lows:** Name something that happened that felt like a gift to you today. Name something that did not feel like a gift to you.
- ✦ **Thinking About This Week's Story:** Paul writes that God's Spirit has given each person special gifts to serve other people. What gifts did you see today in action? Did you see someone help another person? What about a healer like a doctor or a dentist? Did you see someone pray? Did you hear someone say kind words? How did you share your gifts today?

DAILY BIBLE READING

Read aloud from the DAILY BIBLE READING from the front. What do you want to remember from this reading?

PRAY TOGETHER

✦ Have each person finish this prayer: Dear God, I am good at [name one thing you are good at]. Help me with [name one thing you are not good at]. Amen.

CLOSING

✦ If you used a candle, extinguish it as a sign of the end of the devotion time.

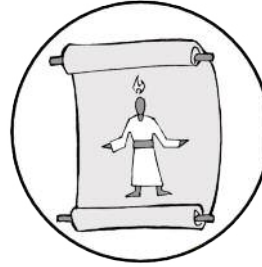
✦ Rituals & Traditions: A Blessing to Share

Mark one another with the sign of the cross on each other's hands or forehead, and say, "Go and share your gifts with those you meet today. Amen."

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Acts 2:1-4; 1 Corinthians 12:1-13



Sharing GOD'S STORY @ home

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.
- 1 Corinthians 12:7

MEALTIME PRAYER

God, you give us the best gifts. Some people have a gift of listening. Some people have a gift of making others laugh. Some people have a gift of making others feel loved. Whatever our gifts, we thank you for them. Amen.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

As you read the stories for the week, ask yourself: **What is the point or gift of each reading?**

Sunday	1 Corinthians 12:1-13	Many Gifts, One Spirit
Monday	1 Corinthians 12:14-26	One Body, Many Members
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 12:27-31	You Are the Body of Christ
Wednesday	Ephesians 1:15-23	Thanksgiving for Faith
Thursday	Ephesians 2:1-10	Saved by Grace through Faith
Friday	Ephesians 2:11-22	Made One in Christ
Saturday	Ephesians 6:10-17	The Armor of God

If your household includes younger children, use a child-friendly Bible. You might find that the children's Bible you are using may not include the very story assigned for the DAILY BIBLE READINGS. **Read to your kids anyway. Just pick a story!**

SERVICE CHALLENGE

SERVICE is how we enact God's great love for the entire world.

Have everyone from your household place their names into a hat. Each person draws one name and plans a special gift for their person sometime during the week. The gift cannot cost money and no one can draw their own name. Reveal who has whose name at the end of the week.