

FIRST READING. Acts 2:1-21 ¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.”

¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” ¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon 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 upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. ²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’ ”

SECOND READING. Romans 8:14-17 ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs: heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

GOSPEL. John 14:8-17 ⁸ Philip said to [Jesus,] “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. ¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.



Sunday June 8, 2025

Welcome!

We hope our worship will be a blessing to you. Our Lord’s Supper is being celebrated today. Everyone is welcome to receive this Holy Sacrament.

You are invited to come forward via the centre aisle and form a single line across from the steps leading to the altar area. Once you have communed and the pastor has spoken the communion blessing, you may place your used wine glass into the bowl on the stand near the side aisle. Then you may return to your seat via the side aisle.

If you missed last week’s sermon, it is available on our website.

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THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

In the name of + the One who was, who is, and who is to come.
Amen.

Baptized into Christ’s death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.
Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit’s power.
Baptized into you, O Living One,
make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.
Amen.

Weekly Calendar:
Monday: Pastor’s day off
Tuesday: Pickleball 9:30 am to 11:30 am
Pastor in Port Colborne
Wednesday: Rose City Quilters 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm (first of the month)
Pastor in Welland
Thursday: Pastor in Welland
Friday: Pickleball 9:30 am to 11:30 am
Pastor in Port Colborne



Do you have a favourite hymn? Perhaps you sang it at Sunday School, around a campfire or during a worship service at church. Perhaps it is a hymn or song that you have been singing for years or maybe it is a new one. Perhaps it brings back memories of a special occasion. We hope that you will send us a short story about your favourite hymn for our June newsletter. You might include why you like it, how it makes you feel or where you first sang it. Please email your story to dianne.yungblut@gmail.com or telephone Dianne at 289 697 5943 and tell her your story **asap**. We will be singing as many of your hymns as possible during our summer worship services.

Upcoming Events & Dates To Remember
Our Lutheran Women (LW) is inviting all ladies to join us for our June Luncheon on **Wednesday June 18, 2025 @ 11:30 am** at Dominic’s on 20 Restaurant (Hwy 20 & Rice Road), Fonthill. Contact Anna Bosak for reservation, 905-732-4807 or email: boxbeme2010@gmail.com. Bring a friend and enjoy fellowship, fun and food!
Next Executive Committee of the Church Council will meet on Thursday June 12 @ 10:00 am.

Next Church Council Meeting is Thursday June 19 @ 10:00 am.
Worship leaders, ushers and counters for this week’s service:
Scripture Reader Bobbye Goldenberg
Prayers Darlene Mackler
Usher/Greeter Bob Hansen
Counters Bob Hansen & Carole McLeod
Worship leaders, ushers and counters for next week’s service:
Scripture Reader Bobbye Goldenberg
Prayers to be confirmed
Usher/Greeter Norm & Carole McLeod
Counters Bob Hansen & Carole McLeod

Attendance Sunday June 1 – 15, 1 year ago 19

Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Service of the Word

GATHERING
Thanksgiving for Baptism.....(in worship guide)
Gathering Hymn.....**ELW # 401**
“Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading”
Kyrie.....**ELW** Page 213
Canticle of Praise.....**ELW # 399** vv. 1
Prayer of the Day

WORD
First Reading.....Acts 2:1-21
Psalm **104:24-34, 35b**..... **ELW**
Second Reading.....Romans 8:14-17
Gospel Acclamation.....**ELW** Page 216
“Glory to you O Lord”
GospelJohn 14:8-17
“Praise to you, O Christ”
Sermon
Hymn of the Day.....**ELW # 403**
“Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song”
Nicene Creed.....**ELW** Page 104
Prayers of Intercession
Sharing the Peace

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD
Hymn of Thanksgiving**ELW # 689**
“Praise and Thanksgiving”
Thanksgiving for the Word.....**ELW** Page 220
Lord’s Prayer.....**ELW** Page 221

SENDING
Announcements
Blessing
Sending Hymn.....**ELW # 400**
“God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind”

Dismissal: Go in peace. Live in hope.
“Thanks be to God”