

# LivingWord LutheranChurch

*Pentecost Sunday*

*May 20, 2018*



**PASTOR:** The Rev. Eric Hullstrom

**Sunday Morning Worship Service at 9 am at the Meridian Habitat & Community Center**

(Children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Study available during the school year)

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**Mission Statement:** "We, God's people of Living Word Lutheran Church, grounded in Holy Scripture, are called to follow and share the inspired Word of God in Christ, to live as faithful and obedient servants, reaching out to all people with the love of Jesus Christ."

**Motto:** "Grace Alone, Faith Alone, Word Alone."

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS /May 20-26, 2018

This week's activities:

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00 am 10:15 am</b>	<b>Worship Service Coffee Hour</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:00 am 6:45 pm</b>	<b>LWLC Prayer for Guidance</b> at the LWLC Office <b>Adult Bible Study</b> at the LWLC Office
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10:30 am 7:30 pm</b>	<b>Midweek Bible Study</b> at the LWLC Office <b>Choir Practice</b> at the LWLC Office
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Men's Ministry Breakfast</b> at Denny's Restaurant

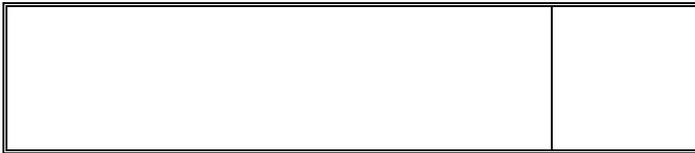
**The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God by Bill & Debbi Zavadil  
in celebration of their 23<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary.**

### Today's Worship Assistants

**Set up/Tear Down (Team 2)**- Al Auge, Ron Heilman, Gary Gjerstad, Joe Burdick, Jim Gronhovd, Daryl Olson, Ron Johnson, Duane Claiborne; **Ushers**- Bill & Debbi Zavadil; **Acolyte**-Lydia Auge;

**Lector**- Tony Deas, **Pentecost Readers**-Pastor Jepsen-**Greek**, Lin Jeffery-**Spanish**, Dan Owen-**French**, Chanya Temkampil (Pang)-**Thai**, Debbie Stankovich-**German**, Skip Whelan-**Latin**, Jothi Holmes-**Tamil**, Lydia Auge-**Hawaiian Pidgin**

**Communion Set-up/takedown**- Jan Halverson, Yvonne Olson; **Communion Assistants**- Jan Halverson, Tom & Denise Alvord; **Comm. Bread**- Gayla Fenimore; **Tellers** -Gary Gjerstad, Judy Krumwiede; **Coffee Hour**- Carole Williams-Wood, Laura & Kailan Burdick; **Altar Setup/Take Down**- Kitty Jepsen, Judy Ostendorf; **Sound System**-Ron Heilman  
**Parking Lot Duty**-Gary Gjerstad; **Flowers**-Bill & Debbi Zavadil; **Julian Estates Worship Leaders**-Pastor Eric, Jeff DeBord



There are many opportunities to remember and honor your loved ones, or in celebration of a special day. The following Sundays are still available: **July 15, August 12<sup>th</sup> and September 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Please call or email the church office 253-445-4292.



The Veterans of LWLC are responsible for the altar flowers for Memorial Day Sunday on May 27<sup>th</sup>. **Veterans are asked to make a donation by May 20<sup>th</sup>**, so we can honor our comrades in arms who died in service to our nation. Following the service, the flowers will be placed at the memorial statue in Pioneer Park by **Andy & Ruth Anderson**. If paying by check, make it payable to Living Word Lutheran Church (LWLC) and put in category "Memorial" (pink envelope

**MEMORIAL DAY**



### Next Week's (May 27th) Worship Assistants

**Set up/Tear Down (Team 1)**- Bill Zavadil, Andy Anderson, Skip Whelan, Dennis Krumwiede, Rick Fields, Larry Vollmer, Alex Burdick, Gary Heintz; **Ushers**-Jim & Sue Gronhovd; **Acolyte**-Kailan Burdick; **Lector**-Cynthia Faul;  
**Sound System**-Ron Johnson; **Tellers** -Sharon Johnson, Al Auge; **Communion Setup/Takedown**-Lorraine Stargel, Nancy Martin;  
**Communion Assistants**-Bob & Nancy Martin, Sharon Johnson; **Communion Bread**-Gayla Fenimore;  
**Coffee Hour**- Gaye Anderson, Rosie Heintz; **Altar Setup/Take Down**- Linda Schmidt, Judy Williams;  
**Flowers**-LWLC Veterans; **Parking Lot**-Tony Deas; **Julian Estates Worship Leaders**- Dave & Judy Ostendorf

**Please silence all electronic devices, including cell phones, upon entering the sanctuary.**

**Living Word Lutheran Church**  
Order for Worship

**When you hear the bell, please be seated for the announcements.**

**Announcements**

Please sign the attendance register and pass it down the row.

***Our worship begins with the prelude as we enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!  
Let us give thanks to him and bless his holy name!***

**Prelude**

**Opening Hymn**

**“O Day Full of Grace”**

**LBW #161**

***We Worship with Confession.***

Pastor: Remembering our baptism into Christ Jesus, we gather as we are to live – in the name of the Father, and of the (✠) Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation: Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for personal reflection and self-examination.*

P (facing altar which symbolizes God's presence): *Most Merciful God...*

**C: have mercy on us. We confess to You that we have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not trusted You with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In Your compassion forgive our sin and uphold us by Your Spirit that we may live and serve You in newness of life through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.**

P: (*facing the congregation declares God's grace*): With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in Jesus Christ.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

We are sent to make disciples of all nations (Matt. 28:19). We begin by sharing the peace of the LORD with one another.

***We Worship with the Setting from "Now the Feast and Celebration"***

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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.**

***Kyrie***

Cantor: In peace, in peace, Let us pray to the...  
**C:** ***LORD, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, LORD have mercy.***

Cantor: For Your people here, who have come to give You praise, for the strength to live Your Word, let us pray to the. . .

**C:** ***LORD, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, LORD have mercy.***

Cantor : For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all let us pray to the. . .

Cantor: Help, save and defend us, O God.

**C:** ***LORD, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, LORD have mercy.***

**C:** ***Amen.***

## Now the Feast

*Refrain:*

**Now the feast and celebration,  
all of creation sings for joy  
to the God of life and love and freedom:  
praise and glory forevermore!**

1. **Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,  
whose blood has freed and united us  
to be one great people of God. (Refrain)**

2. **Power and riches, wisdom and might,  
all honor and glory to Christ, forever. (Refrain)**

3. **For God has come to dwell with us,  
to make us people of God;  
to make all things new. (Refrain)**

P: *The LORD be with you.*

**C:** *And also with you.*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** (we pray together):

**Empowering God, You gave the church the abiding presence of Your Holy Spirit. Grant that, gathered and directed by Your Spirit, we may confess Christ as Lord and combine our diverse gifts with a singular passion to continue his mission in this world until we join in Your eternal praise. Amen.**

### We Worship by Reading God's Word

**This reading is from the Book of Ezekiel, the 37<sup>th</sup> chapter (ESV)**

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup> And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup> And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." <sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophecy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup> And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD."

<sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup> And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophecy to

the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live."

<sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

<sup>11</sup> Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.'

<sup>12</sup> Therefore prophesy, and say to them, thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup> And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup> And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

(Here ends this reading.)

**LWLC Choir**

**"Spirit, Come Down"**

**by Mark Hayes**

**This reading is from the Book of Psalms, Psalm 104 (ESV)**

(to be read responsively)

**Reader:** <sup>24</sup> O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all;

**Congregation:** the earth is full of your creatures.

R: <sup>25</sup> Here is the sea, great and wide,

**C:** which teems with creatures innumerable, living things both small and great.

R: <sup>26</sup> There go the ships,  
**C: and Leviathan, which you formed to play in it.**

R: <sup>27</sup> These all look to you,  
**C: to give them their food in due season.**

R: <sup>28</sup> When you give it to them, they gather it up;  
**C: when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.**

R: <sup>29</sup> When you hide your face, they are dismayed;  
**C: when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

R: <sup>30</sup> When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,  
**C: and you renew the face of the ground.**

R: <sup>31</sup> May the glory of the LORD endure forever;  
**C: may the LORD rejoice in his works,**

R: <sup>32</sup> who looks on the earth and it trembles,  
**C: who touches the mountains and they smoke!**

R: <sup>33</sup> I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;  
**C: I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

R: <sup>34</sup> May my meditation be pleasing to him,  
**C: for I rejoice in the LORD.**

R: <sup>35</sup> Let sinners be consumed from the earth,  
 and let the wicked be no more!  
**C: Bless the LORD, O my soul! Praise the LORD!**

**This reading is from the Book of Acts, the 2nd chapter (ESV)**

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language.

Select members of the congregation read John 3:16 in different languages –German, Greek, French, etc., – to illustrate how the Gospel went forth on Pentecost.

*Then all will join in reciting:*

**“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”**

<sup>7</sup> And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?

<sup>9</sup> Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup> both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” <sup>12</sup> And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup> But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. <sup>15</sup> For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup> But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> “And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men

shall dream dreams;

<sup>18</sup> even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup> And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

<sup>20</sup> the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

<sup>21</sup> And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

(Here ends this reading.)

The congregation stands and sings:

***Alleluia, Alleluia. LORD to whom shall we go?***

***You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia!***

**The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th & 16th chapters. (ESV) C: Glory to You, O LORD**

<sup>26</sup> "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. <sup>27</sup> And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

<sup>16</sup> "I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away. <sup>2</sup> They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God. <sup>3</sup> And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor me. <sup>4</sup> But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup> But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' <sup>6</sup> But because I have said these things to you,

sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup> Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup> And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup> concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup> concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup> concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

<sup>12</sup> "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup> When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup> He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup> All that the Father has is mine; therefore, I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

(The Gospel of Our LORD)

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

***We Worship By Confessing Our Faith in the Words of the Apostles' Creed***

**I BELIEVE** in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

**I BELIEVE** in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our LORD. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I BELIEVE** in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Hymn of the Day***

***"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"***

***LBW #499***

**Sermon**

**Pastor Eric Hullstrom**

**We Worship in Thanksgiving by Offering Our Gifts**

**Offertory**

*The offering is received.*

The congregation stands as the ushers bring the offering forward.

**As the Grains Of Wheat**

Refrain:

**As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill were gathered into one to become our bread; so may all Your people from all the ends of earth be gathered into one in You.**

1. **As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst, may we share the presence of Your love.** (Refrain)
2. **Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come when all creation shares this feast with You.** (Refrain)

*We pray together the offering prayer:* P: Merciful God, **C:** everything in heaven and earth belongs to You. We joyfully release what You have entrusted to us. May these gifts be signs of our whole lives returned to You, dedicated to the healing and unity of all creation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Prayers of the Church** (Each petition ends with "LORD, in Your mercy"; the congregation responds, "Hear our prayer".)

**We Worship by Receiving Our LORD in His Holy Meal**

**The Great Thanksgiving** (Spoken):

P: *The LORD be with you.*

P: *Lift up your hearts.*

P: *Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.*

**C:** *And also with you.*

**C:** *We lift them to the LORD.*

**C:** *It is right to give Him thanks and praise.*

P: It is our duty and delight... (*Here the minister continues with the preface:*)

**Holy, holy, holy are You, God of power and might;  
Heaven and earth are filled with Your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is the One who comes in Your name.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

**The Words of Institution & 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 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.**

**(Please be seated)**

**Holy Communion:** Lutherans believe the LORD's Supper is a holy sacrament in which Christ comes to us with His grace, love, compassion, and forgiveness. The crucified and risen Christ is present in, with, and under the bread and wine – He promises: "This is my body... This is my blood". Therefore the Apostle Paul says we should examine ourselves lest we eat or drink in an unworthy manner (1 Cor. 11:27ff.). Martin Luther wrote, "Anyone who does not believe these words ('this is My body given for you... this is My blood shed for you.'). is neither prepared nor worthy; for the words, 'FOR YOU' requires simply a believing heart." Therefore, all (including children who have received instruction) who believe in Jesus Christ as Savior and LORD and who see His presence in the sacrament are welcome to commune with us.

As you come forward for communion, you are invited to dip your fingers in the water of the baptismal font and then make the sign of the cross on your forehead as a reminder of Christ's claim upon you through your baptism.

(For those with gluten allergies, we now have gluten-free wafers available for Communion on the Baptismal Font.)

**Lamb of God**

1. **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**
2. **Lamb of God, You break the chains of hatred and fear: have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**
3. **Lamb of God, You are the way of justice and peace: have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**
4. **Lamb of God, You are the way of mercy and love: have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.**
5. **Lamb of God You take away the sin of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**Communion Hymns:**

**“What Wondrous Love Is This”** **LBW #385**

**“I Love to Tell the Story”** **LBW #390**

**“Have No Fear, Little Flock”** **LBW #476**

P: May the grace of our LORD Jesus Christ and the gifts of His body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

**Post Communion Canticle**

**Praise to You, O God of mercy,  
Thanks be to You forever!  
Raising high the weak and lowly:  
Thanks be to You forever!**

**Strong is Your faithfulness,  
Strong is Your love, rememb'ring  
Your covenant of life with us.**

**From of old You loved and sought us,  
Thanks be to You forever!  
Truth and justice You have taught us:  
Thanks be to You forever!**

**Praise to You, O God of mercy,  
Thanks be to You forever!  
Raising high the weak and lowly:  
Thanks be to You forever,  
Thanks be to You forever!**

**The Post Communion Prayer**

**C: Amen.**

**The Benediction (Pastor)**

The congregation sings the **3-fold “Amen”**

<b>On Our Way Rejoicing!</b>
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**Closing Hymn**

**“Onward, Christian Soldiers”**

**LBW #509**

<b>We Worship By How We Live During the Week</b>
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P: Go in peace; serve the LORD! **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

Musician: Mary Kaye Owen    Choir Director: Dan Owen

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**Thank you for worshipping with us this morning!**

*If you are a visitor, please sign the Guest Book. We encourage you to pick up a ‘Welcome’ packet at the Visitor’s Table to introduce you to our church. Coffee hour will follow the worship service. Please join us.*

**Next week’s Scriptures:**

Isaiah 6:1-8	Psalm 29
Romans 8:12-17	John 3:1-17

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. *2Chronicles 7:14*

**Prayers for those who are serving our country (military, firefighters & police) and their families and keep them safe:** Josh Jepsen, Chase, Seth Hearld, Powell, Evan Gregory Blodgett, Ken Solbrack, Michael Elliott, Chris Berentson, Cole Lufkin (Gjerstad's grandson), Brady Woodman (Relma Burmeister's grandson), Devlin Durkin, Damien Benigno (Lydia Auge's brother); Curtis & Riley McKenzie, Brandon Bules (Carole Williams cousin), Jacob Ramsey (Fenimore's grandson), pray for safety and draw close to God.



*Our prayers for all those in harm's way are urgently needed during this time of turmoil and strife in this country.*

**Prayers for those who have recently lost a loved one.** Prayers for the **Jack Larson Family** (Carole Williams' cousin) who recently passed away.

**Prayers for those with cancer or long-term illness.** Dixie (Sharlene Parker's sister). Judy Ostendorf. Jeff (Don & Carol Brennan's son). Don Minnick (Harold & Clarice Liemohn). Pastor Dave Steffenson (Dave Ostendorf). Hank Anderson (friend of Kaye Sims). Bob Lungberg (Bob & Nancy Martin), Aunt Glenda (Lorraine Stargel), Cousin Sandy (Lorraine Stargel). Snookie Pankrantz. Elaine Kroger (Bob & Nancy Martin). Taessa (Dennis & Judy Krumwiede's daughter-in-law) John Paul Webber (Heidi Sturdivant). Bob Ostrom (Steves' daughter-in-law's father), Elaina (Ron & Gaye Anderson). **Tony Horne** (Bob Martin & Hal Martin) who has been diagnosed with cancer. **Robert Hawthorne** (Jim & Mei Barker) suffering from advanced prostate cancer, pray for his comfort at this difficult time. Sister-in-law **Wanee** (Sharlene Parker), doctor's discernment on her cancer treatment and that it will be successful.

**Prayers for healing and strength for those with health concerns and those facing or recovering from surgery.**

**Janet** (Carole Williams-Wood friend), pray for doctor's discernment and good results from tests concerning her back pain. **Gerri** (Carole Williams-Wood friend), pray for strength and quick recovery from surgery. Prayers for **Linda Johnson** (Debbi Zavadil) recovering from pancreatitis. Prayers for successful open-heart surgery for my friend **Terry** (Cynthia Faul) and for his healing and recovery. **Betty Larson** (Carole Williams' Aunt) prayers for speedy recovery after hip surgery. Prayers for quick recovery and healing for **Gaye** after hip replacement surgery. Pray for comfort and healing for **Carole Williams** who is suffering from a terrible reaction to food and also a broken toe.

**Prayers for faith, strength and guidance.** God's continued guidance and blessings in our search for a new church home. God's guidance and peace between nations of the earth especially between the U.S. and North Korea. God's love to overcome hate and fear in hearts around the world. Prayers for safe travels this month for **Jim & Mei Barker** as they visit their son in Indiana.



*Thank you to my congregation family for the meals, cards, visits and prayers. Your support gives me great comfort and strength. Love, Snookie Pankrantz*

## Peanut Butter Sunday-June 3rd

Global Church (Shalom Church), who feeds the homeless and low income has a truck every Friday at the Meridian Habitat at 1:00 pm. Peanut Butter is the best food because it doesn't need to be refrigerated. It is nutrient rich and can effectively alleviate hunger and malnutrition. Living Word would like to have a Peanut Butter Drive on June 3rd to help support Global Church in their ministry.



### **Pentecost power**

Ten days after Jesus ascended into heaven, the Holy Spirit descended onto Jesus' disciples. While they were gathered in Jerusalem to celebrate the Jewish festival of Pentecost, the disciples saw flames among and on them, heard a rushing wind and began talking in many languages. As a result, the disciples were able to share the good news of Jesus in the native tongues of all the pilgrims assembled in the city.

Even today, the power of the Holy Spirit fuels the "flame" that ignites Christians' outreach efforts. Only by the Spirit's power can we know Christ and make him known throughout the world. Poet William Blake (1757-1827), who's been described as a passionate, Pentecost kind of person, wrote this poem about the Spirit's power:

**Unless the eye catch fire, The God will not be seen.  
Unless the ear catch fire, The God will not be heard.  
Unless the tongue catch fire, The God will not be named.  
Unless the heart catch fire, The God will not be loved.  
Unless the mind catch fire, The God will not be known.**

### **How to Plant Your Garden?**

**First, you come to the garden alone, while the dew is still on the roses.**

FOR THE GARDEN OF YOUR DAILY LIVING,  
PLANT THREE ROWS OF PEAS :

1. Peace of mind                      2. Peace of heart                      3. Peace of soul

PLANT FOUR ROWS OF SQUASH:

1. Squash gossip      2. Squash indifference      3. Squash grumbling  
4. Squash selfishness

PLANT FOUR ROWS OF LETTUCE:

1. Lettuce be faithful      2. Lettuce be kind      3. Lettuce be patient  
4. Lettuce really love one another

NO GARDEN IS WITHOUT TURNIPS:

- 1.. Turnip for meetings      2. Turnip for service      3. Turnip to help one another

TO CONCLUDE OUR GARDEN WE MUST HAVE THYME:

1. Thyme for each other      2. Thyme for family      3. Thyme for friends

**WATER FREELY WITH PATIENCE AND CULTIVATE WITH LOVE. THERE IS MUCH FRUIT IN YOUR GARDEN  
BECAUSE YOU REAP WHAT YOU SOW.**

