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Welcome to worship!

Throughout the service, you will be invited to sit, stand, or kneel as you are able and as you feel comfortable. Offering plates will not be passed during the service; if you are moved to give a monetary gift this morning, you may place it in the silver offering plate at the back of the center aisle, or you can hand it to an usher. Details about giving electronically are included toward the end of this bulletin.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion, for it is Christ who does the inviting. An usher will let you know when it is your row's turn to come forward. Bread, gluten-free wafers, red wine, and white juice are all available. Please tell the pastor you need a gluten-free wafer when it is your turn.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY TIME OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

PENTECOST LITANY FOR DIVERSITY- *The congregation is invited to stand, sit, or kneel, as able.*

God, you have made people of every imaginable kind:
colors and shapes, privileged and marginalized, rich and poor.

**We have differences of every imaginable kind:
perspectives and worldviews, languages and cultures, philosophies and theologies.**

We acknowledge that we tend to fear what we do not understand,
And that love is more powerful than fear.

We acknowledge that we must work to understand each other,
And that this work is Kingdom work.

We acknowledge that each perspective brings your nature into clearer picture,
And that we need each point of view.

Help us to love one another, even though we are different.

Help us to celebrate one another, even though we may not agree.

Help us to be kind to one another, even when we have been hurt.

Help us to open the doors to our churches, homes, organizations, governing bodies, and dinner tables, even when it feels awkward and impractical.

We know that the diversity of the people of the world is a good gift, for our growth and guidance; to help us see your vision for the world: **where there are neither slave nor free, male nor female, one race nor another, but we are all free, beloved, and united, in the peace of Christ Jesus. Amen.**

Adapted from Fran Pratt, Call and Response: Litanies for Congregational Prayer, Outpost Press 2018.

Spirit of Gentleness

Refrain



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.

Refrain



“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

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WORD -*The congregation may be seated.*

FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'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. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning together as it suffers together the pains of labor, and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words. And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION - *The congregation is invited to stand, as able.*

Gospel Acclamation *Celtic Alleluia*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

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The holy gospel according to John, the 15th chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify, because you have been with me from the beginning.

But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me, yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you, but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Spirit of the living God

Musical notation for the first system of the hymn. It consists of a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me,". Chords are indicated above the treble staff: F, Gm⁷/B^b, D/A, Gm, F/C, C⁷, F.

Musical notation for the second system of the hymn. It consists of a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me." Chords are indicated above the treble staff: F, Gm⁷/B^b, D/A, Gm, F/C, C⁷, F.

Musical notation for the third system of the hymn. It consists of a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me." Chords are indicated above the treble staff: B^b, F, G⁷, C, F/C, C⁷.

Musical notation for the fourth system of the hymn. It consists of a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me." Chords are indicated above the treble staff: F, Gm⁷/B^b, D/A, Gm, F/C, C⁷, F.

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The assembly is invited into prayer:

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news. *(A brief silence)*

After each petition, "God of grace, hear our prayer."

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The congregation greets one another with the words "peace be with you" or "God's peace" and a sign of peace—a wave, a handshake, a peace sign, etc.

MEAL

SPECIAL MUSIC

“The Spirit Says Sing” Ruth Elaine Schram

Choir

OFFERING PRAYER

Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit.
May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine.
Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING- *The congregation is invited to stand, as able.*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The presiding minister continues:

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Blessed are you, O God of the universe.
Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.
Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.
Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.
Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness
to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this
for the remembrance of me.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe
new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars,
we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread.

Come and eat at God's table.

DISTRIBUTION

Father, I adore you

Musical score for the hymn "Father, I adore you". The score is written in 4/4 time and consists of two staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is composed of quarter and eighth notes. Above the staff, the following chords are indicated: F (with a 1* above it), Gm, C, F, Gm (with a 2 above it), and Gm. The lyrics for the first staff are: "1 Fa - ther, 2 Je - sus, I a - dore you, lay my life be -". The second staff continues the melody with chords C, F, Gm (with a 3 above it), C, and F. The lyrics for the second staff are: "fore you; how I love you."

**may be sung in canon*

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend. **Amen.**

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always. **Amen.**

Canticle of the Turning

Verses



1. My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the God of my heart is great,
2. Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me,
3. From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a stone will be left on stone.
4. Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re - mem - ber who holds us fast:



And my spir - it sings of the won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
 And your mer - cy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
 Let the king be - ware for your jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant from his throne.
 God's mer - cy must de - liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my weak - ness you did not spurn,
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn,
 The hun - gry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can nev - er earn;
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the prom - ise which holds us bound,



So from east to west shall my name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 You will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 There are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 'Til the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.

Refrain



My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn!

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

We invite you to remain seated quietly for the postlude. If you exit during the postlude, please refrain from conversation until you are outside of the sanctuary. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in Luther Hall immediately following the service.

POSTLUDE

"Canticle of the Turning" Text: Luke 1:46-58; Rory Cooney, b.1952 Music: STAR OF THE COUNTY DOWN; Irish traditional; arr. by Rory Cooney, b.1952 © 1990, GIA Publications, Inc.

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher/Presider: Pr. Casey Kloehn Dunsworth

Assisting Minister: Anne Voth

Musicians: Justin Hershey and Max Chodos

Lector: Karla Strazicich-Cain

Ushers: Kelly Black and Vicki Petsche

All are welcome! As a community of the people of God, the members of San Marcos Lutheran Church are called to welcome all people, regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28)

Are you new to San Marcos Lutheran Church? Pastor Casey would love the opportunity to get to know you, and has put together a short, confidential, online form. Your smartphone's QR reader can take you to it using this code.

If technology isn't your cup of tea (or if it just isn't working for you today) there are cream-colored cards in the pew in front of you, which you can fill out and put in the silver offering plates, hand to an usher, or hand to Pastor Casey after the service. We're glad you're here!



Let Us Keep These People in Our Prayers: Eleanor Adcock, the Arney family and daughter, Dawn, Christine Buma, Susan Guenzel, Donna Huber, Mike Hudlow, Karen Johns, Pete Johnson, Jim Kent, Linda Kent, Susan Kent, Gary Kloehn, Deborah McGregor, Melinda Nelson. Alvar Roy, Marie Schilke, Larry Serafin, Roy Smith, Vern Soderstrom, Dawn Steele, Beth Sullivan, Megan Toler, Nick Torres. Let us pray for our homebound members: Dottie Black, Beverly Gift, Janice Phillips, and Carol Schwartz. We also continue to pray for: Pacifica Synod Bishop David Nagler and ELCA Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton.

Thank you for supporting the ministry of San Marcos Lutheran Church! **Your generosity enables us to do God's work in our community.** Your contributions to our general fund support our budgeted expenses—we cannot do it without your support!

You can contribute in any of the following ways:

- Place a check or cash in the silver offering plates at the back of the sanctuary on Sundays;
- Mail a check to the church office (3419 Grand Ave. San Marcos, CA 92078);
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- Make a one-time or recurring donation with your credit or debit card or bank account through Vanco, our online giving portal. Visit sanmarcoslutheran.org/donate to get started.

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Outdoor Office Hours with Pastor Casey on Thursday, May 23

Pastor Casey's outdoor office hours return to the afternoon for the summer! Meet up any time between 4pm and 6pm at the Karl Strauss Outpost (1293 Armorlite Drive, San Marcos) for a beverage—beer, wine, and non-alcoholic drinks are all served—and conversation. Kids and dogs are welcome, and there's a food truck if you need a snack. See you there!

Community Time, May 26- guest speaker Rev. Maria Santa Cruz

Join us on Sunday, May 26th, at Community Time as we welcome special guest speaker Rev. Maria Santa Cruz. Pastor Maria Santa Cruz was born and raised in Mexico until 19 years old. She was ordained in 2000 and served a congregation in San Diego from 1996 until 2022. She has worked extensively in Latino Ministry in the Pacifica Synod. She currently serves in the Pacifica Synod as Assistant to Bishop David Nagler for the Latino Ministry.

Have you ever wondered how we at SMLC can reach out and minister more effectively to our surrounding community? This is a wonderful opportunity to broaden our understanding of the Latino culture and discuss ways to make our church a more welcoming place to our surrounding Latino neighborhood. Please come and join us in the conversation.

Summer Socials

As we transition into the summer, we hope to find several opportunities to gather purely for the joy of it. A barbecue, a walk on the beach, a trip to the movies, a game night, a meet-up for ice cream—it's up to you. Is there a Summer Social you want to see happen? Do you want to host it or organize it? Do you want to help others organize events? Talk to Pastor Casey about how to make fun stuff happen.

Help plan for the 4th of July!

In order to host our friends and neighbors for a fun, festive, and safe 4th of July, we need to start planning now. If you're willing and able to wrangle things like food, games, marketing, safety, set-up/clean-up, etc., we want you on our team! Call the office 760-727-1509 or email office@sanmarcoslutheran.org to let Aimee know you're interested and in what area you would like to help.