



Sunday, July 5, 2020 - 9:00 am

Pastor Justin Grimm

Theme: The Book of Acts – The Holy Spirit Moves!

Drive-In/ Outdoor/ Online Worship

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Welcome & Worship Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father,
and of the ✝ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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 loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

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.
Amen.

Hymn: "Lord, I Need You" The Band

Lord, I come, I confess
Bowing here, I find my rest
And without You
I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Where sin runs deep
Your grace is more
Where grace is found
Is where You are
And where You are
Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Lord I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

So teach my son to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand
I'll fall on You
Jesus, You're my hope and stay
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

Lord I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour I need You
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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

You are great, O God, and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in
you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our
Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.*

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice, rejoice, people of Zion! Shout for joy, you people of Jerusalem!
Look, your king is coming to you! He comes triumphant and victorious,
but humble and riding on a donkey— on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

¹⁰The LORD says, “I will remove the war chariots from Israel and take the horses
from Jerusalem; the bows used in battle will be destroyed.

Your king will make peace among the nations; he will rule from sea to sea, from
the Euphrates River to the ends of the earth.” ¹¹The LORD says, “Because of my
covenant with you that was sealed by the blood of sacrifices,
I will set your people free— free from the waterless pit of exile. ¹²Return, you

exiles who now have hope; return to your place of safety. Now I tell you that I will repay you twice over with blessing for all you have suffered.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Acts 6:8-7:2a; 51-60

⁸ Stephen, a man richly blessed by God and full of power, performed great miracles and wonders among the people. ⁹ But he was opposed by some men who were members of the synagogue of the Freedmen^[a] (as it was called), which had Jews from Cyrene and Alexandria. They and other Jews from the provinces of Cilicia and Asia started arguing with Stephen. ¹⁰ But the Spirit gave Stephen such wisdom that when he spoke, they could not refute him. ¹¹ So they bribed some men to say, "We heard him speaking against Moses and against God!" ¹² In this way they stirred up the people, the elders, and the teachers of the Law. They seized Stephen and took him before the Council. ¹³ Then they brought in some men to tell lies about him. "This man," they said, "is always talking against our sacred Temple and the Law of Moses. ¹⁴ We heard him say that this Jesus of Nazareth will tear down the Temple and change all the customs which have come down to us from Moses!" ¹⁵ All those sitting in the Council fixed their eyes on Stephen and saw that his face looked like the face of an angel. ⁷ The High Priest asked Stephen, "Is this true?" ² Stephen answered, "Brothers and fathers, listen to me!

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gospel: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

¹⁶ "Now, to what can I compare the people of this day? They are like children sitting in the marketplace. One group shouts to the other, ¹⁷ 'We played wedding music for you, but you wouldn't dance! We sang funeral songs, but you wouldn't cry!' ¹⁸ When John came, he fasted and drank no wine, and everyone said, 'He has a demon in him!' ¹⁹ When the Son of Man came, he ate and drank, and everyone said, 'Look at this man! He is a glutton and wine drinker, a friend of tax collectors and other outcasts!' God's wisdom, however, is shown to be true by its results." ²⁵ At that time Jesus said, "Father, Lord of heaven and earth! I thank you because you have shown to the unlearned what you have hidden from the wise and learned. ²⁶ Yes, Father, this was how you were pleased to have it happen. ²⁷ "My Father has given me all things. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no

one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸“Come to me, all of you who are tired from carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke and put it on you, and learn from me, because I am gentle and humble in spirit; and you will find rest. ³⁰For the yoke I will give you is easy, and the load I will put on you is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Children’s Sermon

Message: Pastor Justin Grimm

Hymn of the Day: Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory ELW 890

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
he is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
he has loosed the fateful lightning of his terrible swift sword:
his truth is marching on.

Refrain

Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
Glory, glory! Hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
he is sifting out the hearts of men before his judgment seat.
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer him; be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on. *Refrain*

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me.
As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
while God is marching on. *Refrain*

Prayers of intercession

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving Dialog

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.

Words of Institution

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.

Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

(All take communion at the same time in their cars)
The body of Christ, given for you.
The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

St. Paul Lutheran Breakthrough Prayer

O God of hope and love,

Thank you for your people of St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Move us by the Holy Spirit to live for you alone.

Take us outside ourselves, make us open, and remind us that you are our center and our purpose.

Break down barriers of anger, fear, grief, hurt, and whatever else is holding me back from being open, and holding us back as a congregation.

Use me to do your work.

Use each of us for the plans you have for your church.

Through the abundant love of your Son, Jesus, we pray.

Amen.

SENDING *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Announcements

Blessing

The holy Three, the holy One
increase your hope,
strengthen your faith,
deepen your love,
and + grant you peace.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

Thanks be to God.

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July 3, 2020 – News & Updates

- The SPLC Safety Team is up and running! They research, evaluate, and make recommendations for safe and healthy use of the building, grounds, and personal interactions. See Covid-19 Updates on the website for more information. <https://www.sharingchristlove.org/covid-19-update.html>

- Due to the Stay Safe Minnesota Order, Pastor Sarah and Mellissa continue to work from home most days. Beginning this week when you call the office phone number during regular business hours, your call will be forwarded to Mellissa. The phone number is 651-462-5212. Office hours are T, W, Th 9am-4pm and F 9am-12pm. You can also email pastor@sharingchristsllove.org and admin@sharingchristsllove.org.
- We have a limited number of Christ in Our Home Devotionals available on Sunday mornings. If you would like a copy mailed, please call 651.462.5212.
- A new Hospitality Station is available Sunday mornings. A limited number of masks, gloves, and individual, pre-packaged communion kits, are available for those who need them. The Sunday bulletin and hand sanitizer is also available.
- If you have a reason to be in the building, please sign in/ out on the building sign in sheet located in the Narthex.
- Please join us for **Book of Acts Bible Study** Wednesdays at 7 pm via Zoom. Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040f45a8ab22a7fc1-book>.
- We need volunteers to clean our church. Sign up is available on sign up genius here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d48a9ad28a5fc1-church>. One household per date.
- Please join us for Zoom Coffee Hour Sundays at 11:00 am, Zoom Bible Study on Sunday's readings is on Wednesdays at 12:00 pm

This week we are praying for:

Arnie	Jan B.	Carrie R.
Vicki & Her family	Mitchell	Wendy & her mom
Amanda	Brian S.	Mgoli and Mtera parishes
Larry	Kim O.	COVID medical/frontline staff
Andre	Greg	Military members
Tilly E.	Jessica & her family	Law enforcement
Cyndi	Fran D.	Fire & EMS professionals
Bill E.	Katie E.'s mom	