



Erickson Lutheran Church
30 – 3rd Street S. W.

Sunday, May 24, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.
Lay Service
Day of Pentecost, Year A

Welcome

Indigenous Land Acknowledgement

Children's Song

"Christ is Risen From the Dead"

Christ is risen from the dead, glory, hallelujah! 2X
Jesus Christ is risen, glory, hallelujah! 2X

God the Spirit dwell within us, glory, hallelujah! 2X
God the Spirit with us, glory, hallelujah! 2X

King of kings and Lord of lords glory, hallelujah! 2X
Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah! 2X

Celebration Candle

Confession and Forgiveness

Gracious God,
have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Gathering Hymn 800 *"Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart"*

Prayer of the Day

O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Song of Praise *"Faith begins by Letting Go" (hymn of the month)*

Faith begins by letting go, giving up what had seemed sure,
Taking risks and pressing on, though the way feels less secure:
Pilgrimage both right and odd, trusting all our life to God.

Faith endures by holding on, keeping mem'ry's roots alive
So that hope may bear its fruit; promise-fed, our souls will thrive,
Not through merit we possess but by God's great faithfulness.

Faith matures by reaching out, stretching minds, enlarging hearts,
Sharing struggles, living prayer, binding up the broken parts;
Till we find the commonplace ripe with witness to God's grace.

Text: Carl P. Daw Jr., b. 1944

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Scripture Readings

***Numbers 11:24-30, Psalm 104:24-34, 35b,
Corinthians 12:3b-13***

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

(in your red hymnals after page 338)



Gospel Hymn

“Breathe On Me Breath of God”

Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life anew,
That I may love all that you love and do what you would do.

Breathe on me, breath of God, until my heart is pure,
Until with you I will one will to do and to endure.

Breath on me, breath of God, unite my soul with Thine,
Until this earthly part of me, glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God; so shall I never die,
But live with you the perfect life of your eternity.

Text: Edwin Hatch, 1835-1889

Gospel

John 20:19-23

Word of God

Word of Life

Thanks be to God

Reflection

Rhonda Demeulemeester, Lay Leader

Hymn of the Day

396 “Spirit of Gentleness”

Apostles Creed

tune Nettleton

We believe in God the Father, God almighty, by whose plan
Earth and heaven sprang to being all created things began.
We believe in Christ the Saviour, Son of God in human frame,
Virgin-born, the child of Mary upon whom the Spirit came.

Christ, who on the cross forsaken, like a Lamb to slaughter led,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate, He descended to the dead.
We believe in Jesus risen, heaven's King to rule and reign,
To the Father's side ascended till as judge He comes again.

We believe in God the Spirit; In one church, below, above:
Saints of God in one communion, one in holiness and love.
So by faith, our sins forgiven, Christ our Saviour, Lord and friend,
We shall rise with Him in glory to the life that knows no end.

Prayers for the People

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace:

May the Peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Offering Hymn

"Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.
Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me.
Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Words: Daniel Iverson

Offering Prayer

The Lord's Prayer *(in your red hymnal page 221 right hand column)*

Blessing

Sending Hymn

650 *"In Christ There is No East or West"*

Announcements

Activities for the Week May 25 to May 31

Wednesday, May 27 – S2S Exercises at 1:30 PM

Thursday, May 28 – Romp n' Rhyme 10:00 AM

Sunday, May 31 – Gospel Sing Service followed by Coffee

Sunday, May 31 – **ELCIC Day of Action, ELCIC 40th Birthday**

Sunday, May 31 – **The Holy Trinity**

Dismissal

Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Upcoming Commemorations Renewers of Faith

**Nicolaus Copernicus, died 1543; Leonhard Euler, died 1783; scientists,
May 24, 2026**

These two men were both scientists who helped to explain the wonders of God's universe. Copernicus is best known for promoting the idea that the sun, not the earth, is at the center of our solar system. Euler was one of the founders of pure mathematics and contributed to many other fields.

**John Calvin, renewer of the church, died 1564 Wednesday, May 27,
2026**

Gifted both as a systematic theologian and as an interpreter of scriptures, Calvin embraced the Reformation, and as a preacher in Geneva,

Switzerland, brought a theocratic government to it. He is regarded as the father of the Reformed churches.

Jiri Tranovský, hymnwriter, died 1637 Friday, May 29, 2026

Tranovský is the father of Slovak hymnody as well as an important reformer of the Slavic church. He translated the Augsburg Confession (the basis of Lutheran teachings) and published a collection of Slovak hymns.



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To God Be The Glory!

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