

The Season of Pentecost 2025

Saint James Lutheran Church – Johnston, Iowa We're glad you're here and hope you will come again!

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God, you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life. Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of \oplus Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen.**

Gathering Song

July 19/20	#834 – Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
July 26/27	#520 – Dearest Jesus, at Your Word
Aug 2/3	#768 – Lead Me, Guide Me
Aug 9/10	#521 – O Day of Rest and Gladness
Aug 16/17	#796 – How Firm a Foundation
Aug 23/24	#556 – Morning Has Broken
Aug 30/31	#526 – God is Here!

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.**

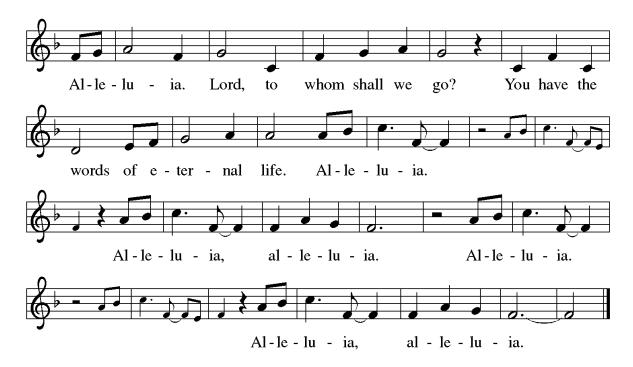
Prayer of the Day – see insert

WORD

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

Lessons – see insert

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel- see insert

Before: The Holy Gospel according to Saint... Glory to You, O Lord.

After: The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

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July 19/20	#771 – God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens
July 26/27	#749 – O God of Love, O King of Peace
Aug 2/3	#758 – You Are the Way
Aug 9/10	#764 – Have No Fear, Little Flock
Aug 16/17	#629 – Abide with Me
Aug 23/24	#617 – We Come to You for Healing, Lord
Aug 30/31	#522 – As We Gather at Your Table

The Creed

Let us confess our shared 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, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession – see insert

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

Offering

An offering is collected.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

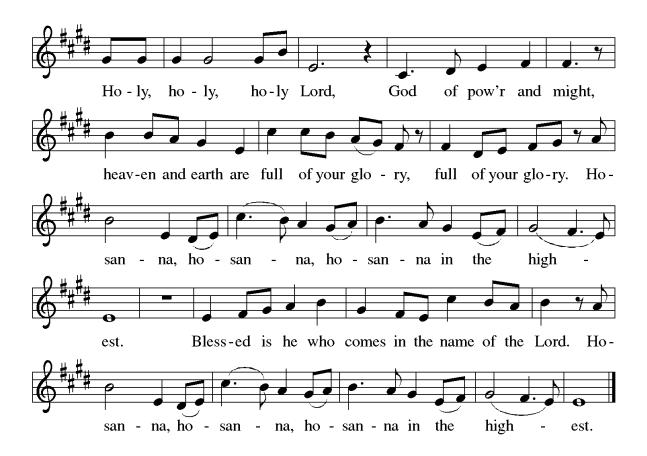
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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.

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:



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 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

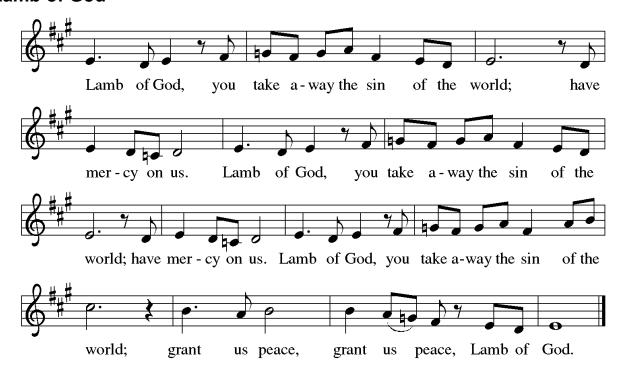
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The table is set. Come, eat and rejoice.

All are welcome at the Lord's table. We receive communion by dipping the bread into the cup.

Lamb of God



Communion Hymn #

#715 – Christ, Be Our Light
#742 – What a Friend We Have in Jesus
#515 – Break Now the Bread of Life
#502 - The King of Love My Shepherd Is
#491 – Come, Let Us Eat
#466 – In the Singing
#462 – Now We Join in Celebration

SENDING

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

Announcements

Post Communion Prayer

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

July 19/20	#208 – Praise to You, O God of Mercy
July 26/27	#543 – Go, My Children, with My Blessing
Aug 2/3	#650 – In Christ There is No East or West
Aug 9/10	#632 – O God, Our Help in Ages Past Vss. 1, 2, 3, 6
Aug 16/17	#805 – Lead On, O King Eternal!
Aug 23/24	#886 – Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing
Aug 30/31	#537 – On Our Way Rejoicing

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

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