<u>**Prayer:**</u> 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.**

Bell

Blessing, Benediction and Sending Forth of Graduates (See attached page).

Nora high school graduates are Abby Weible, daughter of Stacie & Curt Weible, and Reed Volden, son of Dawn & Scott Volden.

Sending Hymn: If You But Trust in God to Guide You (LBW#453) (vss. 1-3-4)

If you but trust in God to guide you and place your confidence in him, You'll find him always there beside you to give you hope and strength within. For those who trust God's changeless love build on the rock that will not move.

In patient trust await his leisure in cheerful hope, with heart content To take whate'er your Father's pleasure and all discerning love have sent; Doubt not your inmost wants are known to him who chose you for his own.

Sing, pray and keep his ways unswerving, offer your service faithfully, And trust his word; though undeserving, you'll find his promise true to be. God never will forsake in need the soul that trusts in him indeed.

Mark your calendars:

- May 26 9:30 am at Kirkebo
- June 2 9:30 am at Nora
- June 9 930 am at Kirkebo

Perley Parish Day of Pentecost May 19, 2024

Prelude and Bell

Gathering Hymn: Holy Spirit, Truth Divine LBW# 257 (vss 1-3-5)

Holy Spirit, truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine; word of God and inward light, wake my spirit, clear my sight.

Holy Spirit, pow'r divine, fortify this will of mine; by your will I strongly live, bravely bear and nobly strive.

Holy Spirit, right divine, King within my conscience reign; be my guide and I shall be firmly bound, forever free.

<u>Welcome and Announcements:</u> Today we will be celebrating and honoring our high school graduates at Nora

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, +one God, who greets us in this and every season, whose word never fails, whose promise is sure. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of our neighbors. Righteous God, we confess that we have sinned. We have failed to be honest. We have lacked the courage to speak. We have spoken falsely. In the name of Jesus, forgive us and grant us your mercy. Amen.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst. God offers boundless grace when we fail. Claim the gift of God's mercy: you are freed and forgiven in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day. Amen.

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (read responsively)

O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great. There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it. These all look to you to give them their food in due season; when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust. When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground. May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; may the LORD rejoice in his works— who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke. I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD. Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21 Second Reading: Romans 8:22-27

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel according to John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 Glory to you O Lord The Gospel of our Lord, Praise to you, O Christ

Message

<u>Hymn of the Day/Offering: Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart (LBW #486</u> vss 1-3-5)

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth, through all its pulses move; Stoop to my weakness, strength to me impart, and make me love you as I ought to love.

Have you not bid me love you, God and King; all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength and mind? I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling. Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!

Teach me to love you as your angels love, one holy passion filling all my frame: The baptism of the heav'n descended dove, my heart an altar and your love the flame. **Offering Response**: We give thee but thine own, whatever that gift may be. All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O, Lord, from thee.

Apostle's 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 the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the people (God of grace, hear our 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. **Amen**

As brothers and sisters in Christ, let us pray together the prayer that 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. 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

<u>Meal</u>

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. Amen

Words of Institution

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

At Jesus's table, heaven and earth are joined as one. Come and see.