# Messiah Lutheran Church

# PENTECOST

May 19, 2024 8:30am Worship Welcome to the Lord's House

# Class of 2024



**Welcome to Messiah!** Whether you're a member, a returning guest, or maybe this is your first time at Messiah, we welcome you to this time of worship. During our time together, we hope that you experience the presence and love of God in a profound and life-changing way! May the music we share stir you, may the prayers we offer comfort you, and may the proclaimed Word of God challenge you to live with a new passion and purpose. Again, we are honored that you have chosen to worship here today. Let's give God all glory and praise.

First-Time guests, we invite you to look through the "Welcome to Messiah" brochure found in the attendance card slot on the pew in front of you. If you have any questions, please talk to an usher. For families with young children, there is a cry room available in the back of the Sanctuary.

**Once we enter God's House,** we pray that our hearts are changed, and that His perspective becomes ours; that we release the cares of this world, and bask in the beauty of His holiness; that we give Him whatever burdens our heart, and find the Spirit's peace that passes all human understanding; that we learn more about Jesus through His Word, and the joy that comes from a closer walk with the Lord.

"Be thoughtful-be silent-be reverent; for this is the house of the Lord. Before the service, speak to the Lord; During the service, let the Lord speak to you; After the service, speak to one another."

If a song is being sung, words are provided on the screens at the front of the sanctuary. We invite you to sing along, or meditate on the song's message.

O God, You are my God; earnestly I seek You; my soul thirsts for You; my flesh faints for You, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory. Because Your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise You.

#### Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen.

The Day of Pentecost is more connected to Easter than to the Sundays after Pentecost. It is the fiftieth day of Easter, marking the new dawn under the guidance of the Spirit. The Lord works through the preached Gospel and our life together as the *baptized* around His Table to deliver what He has promised. Thus the ministry of the Spirit is not some ethereal reality experienced in our feelings but the concrete reality of the Word spoken into our ears to bring forth faith and the body and blood of Jesus received by faith in Holv Communion. This is the way the Spirit continues to work in us and for us and we continue to receive His ministry by faith and to celebrate this with great joy.

The Apostles'

**Creed** dates from about 75 AD and was used in the instruction of those to be baptized. We are confessing our personal faith.



### The Day of Pentecost

#### THE PRELUDE

#### **İ** THE GREETING

#### <mark>ኣ \_THE BAPTISM HYMN</mark>

Lord, take these children in Your hand, For they are Your little lambs.

Thank You that the names we're giving

Are within the book of heaven.

Precious children and Your heirs, keep them safe within Your care.

#### THE BAPTISMS

Heavenly Medellin Garcia

Logan Chase Johnson



#### WE CONFESS OUR FAITH-The Apostles' Creed

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

As their parents look to You, seek Your will in all they do, Help this family grow together, give their lives to You forever. May they here Your glory see 'til they reach eternity.

#### **I THE OPENING HYMN** "Come, Holy Spirit in Love"

Come, Holy Spirit in love shed on us from above Your own bright ray.

Divinely good You are; Your sacred gifts impart To gladden each sad heart. Oh, come today!

Come, dearest Friend and best, our most delightful Guest, With soothing pow'r.

Rest which the weary know, shade mid the noontide glow, Peace when deep griefs o'erflow, cheer us this hour!

Come, all the faithful bless; let all who Christ confess His praise employ.

Give virtue's rich reward, victorious death accord And with our glorious Lord, eternal joy!

#### THE INVOCATION AND OPENING SENTENCES

- P: We celebrate in victory today in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen. This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!
- P: On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.
- C: Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'"
- P: Now this He said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive.
- C: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

#### THE CONFESSION AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

- P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- j C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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

#### P=Pastor C=Congregation

#### In the Invocation,

we "invoke" God's presence by repeating the name in which we were baptized by the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

#### In the Confession,

we bare our souls before the Lord, admitting our sins and accepting responsibility for the harm they caused in our relationships with God and with each other. (1 John 1:8-9) Rom. 3:23) loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

- P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. Upon this your confession, I, as a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

#### **İ** THE KYRIE

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord:



The pastor then speaks God's Word to give the forgiveness Jesus won for us on the cross. (John 20:23)

The Kyrie is a Greek word meaning "O Lord." It is a cry to the Lord for help and strength. In ancient times, the crowds would shout, "Lord, have mercy" as the king entered their town.

The church has taken over this prayer to greet its King, Jesus Christ, in the church service. As the people long ago expected help from their king, so we Christians expect blessings from our Savior.

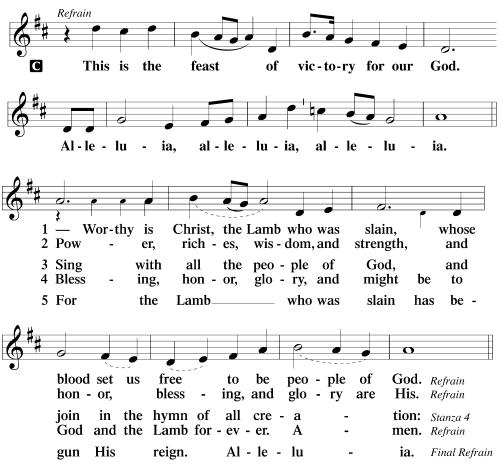
In the Kyrie we ask God for those things that only He can give. As we prayerfully sing the Kyrie, we recognize our dependence upon God for the greatest gift of allthe forgiveness of sins. P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



#### THE HYMN OF PRAISE



Now, we change from the quiet word and song, that was full of humility and repentance, into a song of exceeding joy, because our sins have been forgiven and God's mercy is on us!

When we sing the Hymn of Praise, we join the ranks of the angels in heaven and the *militant Christian church on earth*, lining up behind Jesus to go into battle against the powers of hell itself. One of the best ways to defeat the devil and his legions is to sing praises to God and proclaim Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. who is now seated at the right hand of the Father in power.

"This is the Feast" is based on Rev. 5:12-13



#### In the Collect,

The pastor and congregation greet each other as the angel greeted Mary at her annunciation. (Luke 1:28)

The phrase also indicates the special relationship between the pastor and the congregation.

We call this prayer a "Collect" because it collects the themes of the lessons and puts them into a prayer.

#### The First

Lesson is taken from a book of the Old Testament, and is found on page 724 in the pew Bible. It coordinates with the Gospel.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

#### C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C: Amen.

#### **THE FIRST LESSON** Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones.<sup>2</sup> And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. <sup>3</sup> And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." <sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup> And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD." <sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup> And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath;

prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army. <sup>11</sup> Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.' <sup>12</sup> Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup> And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup> And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD."

#### THE GRADUAL

- P: <sup>1</sup>O LORD, you have searched me and | known me!\*
- C: <sup>2</sup>You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts | from afar.
- P: <sup>3</sup>You search out my path and my | lying down\*
- C: and are acquainted with | all my ways.
- P: <sup>4</sup>Even before a word is on my tongue,\*
- C: behold, O LORD, you know it alto- gether.
- P: <sup>5</sup>You hem me in, behind | and before,\*
- C: and lay your hand up- | on me.
- P: <sup>6</sup>Such knowledge is too wonder- | ful for me;\*
- C: it is high; I cannot | attain it.
- P: <sup>7</sup>Where shall I go from your | Spirit?\*
- C: Or where shall I flee from your | presence?
- P: <sup>8</sup>If I ascend to heaven, you are there!\*
- C: If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!
- P: <sup>9</sup>If I take the wings of the | morning\*
- C: and dwell in the uttermost parts | of the sea,
- P: <sup>10</sup>even there your hand shall | lead me,\*
- C: and your right hand shall | hold me.

The Gradual is taken from Psalm 139, found on page 521 in the pew Bible.

- P: <sup>11</sup>If I say, "Surely the darkness shall | cover me,\*
- C: and the light about me | be night,"
- P: <sup>12</sup>even the darkness is not | dark to you;\*
- C: the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as | light with you.

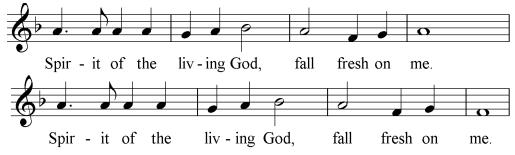
#### THE EPISTLE LESSON Acts 2:1-13

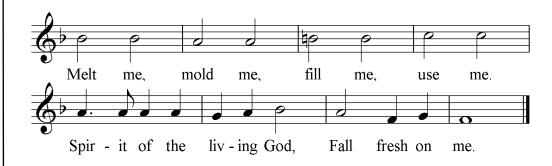
When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.<sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.<sup>3</sup> And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.<sup>5</sup> Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven.<sup>6</sup> And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup> And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup> both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." <sup>12</sup> And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

The Epistle Lesson is generally from St. Paul's letters, and is found on page 909 in the pew Bible. We may read through an entire book over several weeks.

The Gospel Verse may change weekly or the ordinary verse is from John 6:68.

#### **Í** THE GOSPEL VERSE





#### THE HOLY GOSPEL John 16:5-15

P: The Holy Gospel according to John the sixteenth chapter.



But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' <sup>6</sup> But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. <sup>7</sup> Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup> And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup> concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup> concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup> concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. <sup>12</sup> "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup> When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup> He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup> All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.





We rise for the Holy Gospel as we would stand for Jesus Himself, since the Gospel is His living Word to us.

The Holy

Gospel is selected according to the season or festival Sunday of the Church Year, and is found on page 902 in the pew Bible.

We respond to the reading of the Gospel with an acclamation of praise.

#### The Children's Time: We invite children ages 3 through 5th grade to come forward for the Children's Time. A children's song is sung that is based on the theme of the day.

The Sermon Hymn may coordinate with the Gospel lesson, or with the pastor's sermon topic.

Today we celebrate the ascension of our Lord on the fortieth day after His resurrection. We rejoice that Jesus rules in power at God's right hand and sends us His Spirit, the Comforter.

#### The Sermon

applies God's Word to our lives and helps to equip us to fulfill our baptismal calling to new life in Christ.

The pastor preaches both the LAW (God's judgment on our sin), and the GOSPEL (God's love and forgiveness for our sins). We then share the same grace with those around us, as well as the Good News of salvation!

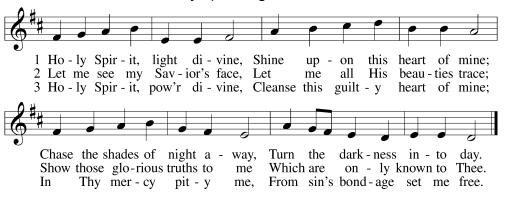
#### **ζ** THE CHILDREN'S TIME "I'm Gonna Sing"

I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing, I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing, I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing, And obey the Spirit of the Lord.



I'm gonna preach when the Spirit says preach, I'm gonna preach when the Spirit says preach, I'm gonna preach when the Spirit says preach, And obey the Spirit of the Lord.

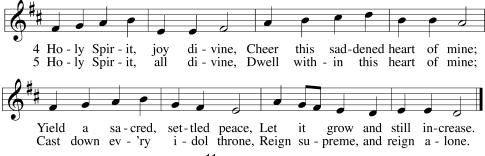
#### THE SERMON HYMN "Holy Spirit, Light Divine" LSB 496



#### THE SERMON "The Presence of the Holy Spirit" Acts 2:4

- 1. Guidance
- 2. Comfort
- 3. Strength

#### **!** WE RESPOND TO GOD'S TEACHING



#### After the Offering Prayer, we ask all of those present to please fill out an attendance card.

If you are a guest with us today, please fill out the front and back of the card. If you have any special prayer requests, you will find a space for this on the back of the card. Thank you.

**Prayer** is one of the marks of the congregation gathered in worship, according to Acts 2:42.

Here the congregation, established and gathered by God according to His purpose, agrees together on earth that it may be done for them by the Father in heaven.

#### لم THE OFFERING PRAYER

#### WE HONOR OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES "You Say"

I keep fighting voices in my mind that say I'm not enough, Every single lie that tells me I will never measure up. Am I more than just the sum of every high and every low? Remind me once again just who I am, because I need to know.

Chorus: You say I am loved when I can't feel a thing. You say I am strong when I think I am weak. You say I am held when I am falling short. When I don't belong, You say I am Yours. And I believe, I believe what You say of me. I believe.

The only thing that matters now is everything You think of me. In You I find my worth, in You I find my identity. **Chorus** 

Taking all I have and now I'm laying it at Your feet. You have every failure God; You'll have every victory. **Chorus** 

#### I THE PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

- P: Gracious Lord, we praise You for the blessings You bestow on us daily. We feel Your love and care all around us. We come before You now humbly in prayer, laying our concerns at Your feet.
- C: May You grant to us what we truly need, forgiveness, life, and salvation, through Your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- P: God of life and peace, You gave us the Bible so that we may know that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing we may have life in His name.
- C: Give to each of us a zeal for studying and learning Your Word. Bless and give the guidance of Your Holy Spirit to those who preach and teach, so that together we can joyfully proclaim that Jesus is our Lord and our God.

- P: Alpha and Omega, we acknowledge that You hold us and all things in Your good hands. When we become overwhelmed, help us to trust that You are always good and You are at work to accomplish Your purposes in our lives.
- C: Strengthen our faith in Jesus, that we may know the fullness of joy that comes from abiding in Your love.
- P: O Holy Comforter, be with all Your faithful people, both Christian and Jew, who suffer discrimination, hatred, violence and death at the hands of the servants of evil. In all corners of the earth, Your faithful ones are being targeted for their unwavering faith in You.
- C: Strengthen their resolve to stand fast, as they face uncertainty. Comfort them in their grief for loved ones taken by violence, and place Your mighty hedge of protection around them.
- P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C: Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors (pause); and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

#### THE BENEDICTION

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
  - The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with His favor and give you His peace.
- C: Amen.

putting His name 25; Matt. 18:19-



More prayer

requests are

found in the Announcement

Guide. Please take them with you

to use for your

praver time this

week.

The Lord's Prayer

is the praver Jesus taught to His disciples and to us in His Word. (Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:2-4)

Think about God's priorities for you and others as revealed in the Lord's Praver, and take some opportunities this week to pray on them more. Take the Amen as a chance to get up and turn them into action.

Then follows the Aaronic Benediction in which the Lord recognizes us as His people, on us, and fulfilling all promises in His пате. (Numbers 6:24-20)

#### THE SILENT PRAYER

Blessed are You, Lord our God, King of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. He it is who has bestowed on us life and health and salvation through His innocent suffering and death and His victorious resurrection. Gathered now on this Lord's Day and in His name, we ask that Your Holy Spirit keep us strong in the full Gospel message of life in Your name so that we may freely share this with all we meet.

#### ት THE MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE

#### I THE CLOSING HYMN "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

We enter to pray and praise and we leave with a renewed commitment to serve and witness!

You are welcome to take this bulletin home and use it for personal devotions this week. Otherwise, we ask that you return it to an usher. Thank you! There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord. There are sweet expressions on each face, And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

**Chorus:** Sweet, holy Spirit, sweet heavenly dove, Stay right here with us, filling us with Your love. And for these blessings, we lift our hearts in praise. Without a doubt we know that we have been revived When we shall leave this place.

There are blessings you cannot receive 'Til you know Him in His fullness and believe. You're the one to profit when you say: "I am going to walk with Jesus all the way." **Chorus** 

#### THE POSTLUDE

### Serving in the Lord's House Today

PREACHER	Rev. Dr. Victor Kollmann
LITURGIST/ CHILDREN'S TIME	Rev. Matthew Allen Lee
ELDER CAPTAIN	John Douglas
ALTAR COMMITTEE	Team 4
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ANTHEM	Ginny Wilson
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### Our Response to the Lord Last Week

Weekly Worship Attendance	600
Adult Bible Class	219
Sunday School Attendance	79

#### **Church Faith Budget**

Given last week	
Given year to date	
Given year to date last year	

## Building FundGiven last week\$ 1,120Given year to date\$ 152,469



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Services available on our Website/YouTube

Sunday Worship in the Sanctuary: 8:30 & 11:00AM (Holy Communion every 2nd and 4th Sunday)

♥ Sunday School & Adult Bible Class: 9:45-10:40AM

MESSIAH LUTHERAN **†** Wednesday Worship in the Sanctuary: 7:00PM (Holy Communion every Wednesday)



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#### With the help of the Holy Spirit, we will share God's light as we:

Gladly enter God's House weekly (Worship) —Psalm 122:1 Listen for God's voice. (Discipleship-Bible Study, Quiet Time, Prayer)— John 10:27 Open my heart and hands to serve God. (Ministry) —1 Samuel 12:24 Wholeheartedly love God and my neighbor. (Evangelism/Fellowship-Outreach) —Luke 10:27