

# WELCOME TO Lombard Mennonite Church

June 8, 2025

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

*Genesis 11: 1-9; Acts 2: 1-18*

A worshipping community rooted in God's love: Following Jesus • Seeking peace and justice • Serving others

## GATHERING

WELCOME.....Barbara Krehbiel Gehring

SONG OF PRAISE Hilary Rhodes, Song Leader  
*\*My Life Flows On* ..... *Voices Together* 605

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the beginning, the Spirit hovered over creation, then breathed life into it.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit. Hover over your church breathing life into us.**

Leader: Despite the community's unfaithfulness, the Spirit fell upon many leaders guiding your people out of bondage into dignity.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit. Raise up Spirit-filled leaders in our communities today.**

Leader: The resurrected Jesus offered peace to his followers by breathing the Spirit into them and by commissioning them to be a people bringing healing and hope to the world.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit. Breath your peace and healing into us this day so that we may accept our commission and share that peace and healing with the world.**

Leader: The Holy Spirit came on Pentecost breaking down divisions and inviting all.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit. Break down the walls that divide us that we may be inviting to all.**

### OPENING PRAYER

### PRAISING

*\*Over My Head* ..... *Voices Together* 594

*\*Beautiful Things* ..... *Voices Together* 551

### OFFERING PRAYER

*\*Please rise in body or spirit.*

Hearing assistive devices and a larger print hymnal and Bible are available outside the doors to the sanctuary. Childcare (birth-age 2) is provided in the nursery at the back of the hall on this level.

## CONFESSING

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

MUSIC OF INVITATION ..... Jeremy Botts, Dave Kuhlmann Taylor  
*Come On Up To the House* (Tom Waits)

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING ..... Ken G Kabira

Leader: Hear the word of God.

**People: Our ears and hearts are open.**

Genesis 11: 1-9 (p. 14); Acts 2: 1-18 (p. 1330)

Leader: Give thanks to the One whose word is life.

**People: Blessed be God forever!**

SERMON ..... Derek Brown

LISTENING FOR THE SPIRIT (*silent time of reflection*)

SONG OF RESPONSE

*\*Could It Be That God Is Singing* ..... *Voices Together* 42

## ORDAINING

### Illinois Mennonite Conference Ordination Service of Nathan Perrin

INTRODUCTION ..... Cal Zehr, Conference Minister

EXAMINATION AND WORDS OF ORDINATION

PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF THE ORDINATION CERTIFICATE AND MENNO SIMONS FRAKTUR

RESPONSE BY NATHAN PERRIN

LITANY OF BLESSING

Leaders: Blessed is he who believed that there would be a fulfillment  
of what was spoken to him by the Lord.

**All: May your spirit rejoice in God who does great and marvelous things.**

**Men:** May you speak with the voice of the voiceless,  
and give courage to those in despair.

**All:** May your spirit rejoice in God who does great and marvelous things.

**Women:** May you feed the hungry of mind and heart,  
and send away satisfied those who are empty.

**All:** May your spirit rejoice in God who does great and marvelous things.

**Women:** May you not be alone, but find support in your struggle,  
and sisters and brothers to rejoice with you.

**All:** May your spirit rejoice in God who does great and marvelous things.

**Men:** May your vision be fulfilled, in company with us;  
may you have brothers and sisters on your journey.

**All:** May your spirit rejoice in God who does great and marvelous things.

Leaders: Blessed is he who believed there would be a fulfillment  
of what was spoken to him by the Lord.

**All:** May your spirit rejoice in God who does great and marvelous things.  
In the name of Jesus, our Lord, Savior, and Friend, amen!

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION..... Jeremy Botts, Dave Kuhlmann Taylor  
*Nothing But a Child* (Steve Earle)

## SHARING IN COMMUNITY

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS  
CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER  
Leader: Lord, in your mercy/goodness,  
**People:** hear our prayer.

WORK OF THE CHURCH  
*Please come to the front row and use the microphone to make your announcement.*

## SENDING

SENDING SONG  
*\*Great Is Thy Faithfulness* ..... *Voices Together* 419

\*BENEDICTION

## TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

Directly after the service, join us downstairs for a celebration reception—complete with cake, ice cream sundaes, coffee, and tea—for Nathan Perrin's ordination!

Sunday school classes are on break for the summer.