

# Pentecost 31 May 2020 Redeemer Lutheran Church

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### We Set Our Minds on the Things of God

In John 14, Jesus says, "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you." The primary role of the Holy Spirit, then, is to teach us and remind us of all that Jesus said—perfect communication. When Peter had confessed Jesus to be the Messiah, Jesus said immediately to Peter: "the Son of Man must suffer many things . . . be killed, and on the third day be raised" (Luke 9:22). Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. This is the word that the Holy Spirit reminds us of week after week in Scripture, hymns, preaching, and Holy Communion. It is this word of Jesus that brings us down a notch when we are arrogant and lifts us up when we are brought low by our sin. Christ, crucified for sinners and risen, is perfect communication. This is precisely what the Holy Spirit breathes into our ears.

# **ENTRANCE**

#### Stand

- $\overline{\mathbf{V}}$  In the name of the Father and of the  $\mathbf{T}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.
- V Come, Holy Spirit; send from highest heaven radiance of Your light.
- Come, Father of the poor; come, Giver of all gifts; come, Light of every heart.
- V Of comforters the best, dear Guest of every soul, refreshment ever sweet.
- In our labors rest, coolness in our heat, comfort in our grief.
- V O most blessed Light, fill the inmost hearts of Your faithful ones.
- **©** Without Your holy presence, all is dark, nothing free from sin.
- **V** What is soiled cleanse; what is dry refresh; what is wounded heal.
- **©** What is rigid bend; what is frozen warm; guide what goes astray.
- **V** Give Your faithful ones who in You confide sevenfold hallowing.
- **G**ive goodness its reward; give journey safe through death; give joy that has no end.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

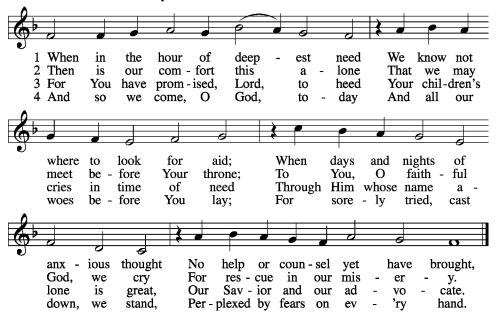
- When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said, "What shall we do?"
- "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of your sins and you will receive the Holy Spirit." *Acts* 2:36-38
- **V** Let us make confession of our sin in humble repentance.

(Silence for meditation and self-examination)

- P Most merciful God,
- We confess that without You, we are in the darkness of sin. Cleanse us from the filth of our sin. Refresh us from the dryness and lifelessness of our spirits. Thaw our frozen hearts, unable to love. Bend our inflexible will and foolish pride to Your will. Guide us who are so apt to stray from Your commands. Fill us, Holy Spirit. Forgive us, Lord Jesus. Gift us, heavenly Father.
- The promise is for you and your children, for all whom the Lord will call, and the promise is full and free forgiveness of all of your sins, given for the sake of Jesus Christ. Receive the promised forgiveness with joy. I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the 14 Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen. Thanks be to God. Come, Holy Spirit.

Sit

# When in the Hour of Deepest Need



- O from our sins, Lord, turn Your face;
  Absolve us through Your boundless grace.
  Be with us in our anguish still;
  Free us at last from ev'ry ill.
- So we with all our hearts each day To You our glad thanksgiving pay, Then walk obedient to Your Word, And now and ever praise You, Lord.

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# **EXHORTATION**

#### Stand

#### **Salutation**

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

### **Collect for Pentecost Day**

- V 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.
- Amen.

Sit

# **Old Testament Reading**

Numbers 11:24-30

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My lord Moses, stop them." But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!" And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

- **V** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Psalm Psalm 25:1–15

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust;

let me not be put to shame;

let not my enemies exult over me.

Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my quilt, for it is great.

Who is the man who fears the LORD?

Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose.

His soul shall abide in well-being, and his offspring shall inherit the land.

The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him, and he makes known to them his covenant.

My eyes are ever toward the LORD, for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

Epistle Reading Acts 2:1–21

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

"'And in the last days it shall be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams;
even on my male servants and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.
And I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;
the sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

- **V** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

### **Verse for Pentecost Day**

Liturgical Text

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Alleluia.

Stand

Holy Gospel John 7:37–39

- **V** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventh chapter.
- G Glory to You, O Lord.

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. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

- **V** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

#### Nicene Creed - The Third Article

- 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.
- **V** What does this mean?
- I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.



Great woes may o - ver - take me, Yet He will not for - sake me. I build on Christ, who loves me; From this rock noth - ing moves me. It speeds my life's en - deav - or To live with Christ for - ev - er. You suf-fered death to save us Be - cause Your love would have us



My trou-bles He can al - ter; His hand lets noth-ing fal - ter.

To Him I will sur - ren - der, To Him, my soul's de-fend - er.

He gives me joy in sor - row, Come death now or to - mor - row.

Be heirs of heav'n-ly glad - ness When ends this life of sad - ness.

5 "So be it," then, I say
With all my heart each day.
Dear Lord, we all adore You,
We sing for joy before You.
Guide us while here we wander
Until we praise You yonder.

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Sermon Wait!

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# **EUCHARIST**

# **Prayers of the Church**

V Lord, have mercy upon us. Filled with the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the needs of all.

O Holy Spirit, whose ways are mysterious and mighty, guide Your Church into truth, wisdom, compassion, and zeal for Your Word, we pray,

- Come, Holy Spirit.
- V O Holy Spirit, who convicts the world of righteousness, work among the leaders of our nation, the president, congress, and magistrates, that our nation may be a place where the most vulnerable—the poor, the not-yet-born, and the elderly—may be provided for and protected. Bring winds of change to the nations of the world where oppression and violence reign. Comfort military personnel who are far from their families. Turn the hearts of our enemies toward peace. We pray,
- **C** Come, Holy Spirit.
- ▼ O Holy Spirit, comforter of the weak and oppressed, come to the aid of all who are in distress: those who are in the hospital, those who face life-changing illness, those who struggle with unemployment, those who mourn [including . . .]

  For these and others known to You alone, we pray,
- Come, Holy Spirit.
- O Holy Spirit, who intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words, hear our prayers for those in need of whom we are aware. We pray,
- Come, Holy Spirit.
- Let us pray to rejoice with those who rejoice today, [especially . . .] that their joy and ours may be full. We pray,
- Come, Holy Spirit.
- O Holy Spirit, who appeared to the disciples in tongues as of fire, work on us to purify our hearts and minds through Christ, that we may be renewed for our task of loving others as Christ has loved us. We pray,
- **©** Come, Holy Spirit.

# **Lord's Prayer**

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;
and 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.

You may be seated as the Altar is prepared.

### The Lord's Prayer

Chris Jager, Acoustic Guitar

#### Stand

#### **Preface**

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.
- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- **1** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

#### Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose Spirit was poured out in abundance on young and old, male and female, rich and poor. The Spirit clearly communicates to us the wonders of Your love for us: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### Sanctus

**G** Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

# **Prayer of Thanksgiving for Pentecost Day**

In these last days, You have poured out Your Holy Spirit on Your Church that Your sons and daughters might proclaim the wonders of Your salvation in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon Your gathered people that, faithfully eating and drinking the body and blood of Your Son, we may go forth to proclaim His salvation to the ends of the earth.

#### The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My I blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

### **Proclamation of Christ**

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- Amen. Come. Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. Remember us in Your kingdom we pray.
- G Amen.

### **Pax Domini**

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- G Amen.

### **Agnus Dei**

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

You may be seated until invited forward

#### Distribution

Stand

#### **Nunc Dimittis**

Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of every people: A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

# **Post-Communion Prayer**

- P God of mercy, in this Holy Communion, You lift us up when we are downtrodden, You forgive us when the Spirit convicts of sin, and You gather us together as the body of Christ. Nourished by Christ's body and blood and emboldened by the Holy Spirit, send us out as Your renewed people, so that the words of our lips and the actions of our lives may declare Your mercy to the world around us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **G** Amen.

#### **Benediction**

- The Lord bless you and keep you.
  The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
  The Lord look upon you with favor and → give you peace.
- Amen.



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#### Announcements

Birthday this week: Howard Jeffrey 4th

**Anniversary** this week: Eric & Michele Brinkert 6<sup>th</sup>

Please continue to send your **tithes and offering** to the church office, counting is continuing on a regular basis. Also email any **prayer requests** that you would like included in the Prayer of the Church and sent out on the prayer chain.

"There are no clues we can assemble, no plot we can reason out, to understand how our great God is the thrice holy Three in One. We can only confess as we do in the creeds: 'I believe.' The Triune God who exists apart from time acted in time and history in Christ to save us. For that mystery we will give thanks and praise to our Triune God for all eternity, joining the saints and angels in endless praise: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!' (Revelation 4:8b)." Dr. Carol Geisler – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

AND WHEN THEY DO, THEY HEAR THE SOUND OF WIND I'LL SAY! KINDA MAKES THE APOSTLES TELLING OF AND THE SIGHT OF FIRE ME WISH I'D PAID MORE AND EVERYONE COMES JESUS IN ALL THE LANGUAGES ATTENTION IN MY OF THOSE GATHERED. RUNNING TO SEE SPANISH CLASS! WHAT'S GOING ON. THAT'S THE MIRACLE OF PENTECOST! W.AGNUSDAY.ORG ACTS 2:1-21