

Pentecost

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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.

Invocation

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

Confession and Absolution

- L When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said, "What shall we do?"
- C "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)

- L Most merciful God,
- C 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.
- L 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. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, God gives the power to become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.
- C Thanks be to God. Come, Holy Spirit.



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.

Stand

Salutation

- L The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

Collect for Pentecost Day

L 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.

Old Testament Reading

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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C 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 guilt, 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.

Numbers 11:24–30

Acts 2:1–21

Epistle Reading

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."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

V The Holy Gospel according to John, the seventh chapter.

C 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.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

In God, My Faithful God

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Until we praise You yonder.

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed - The Third Article

- C 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.
- L What does this mean?
- C 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.

Prayers of the Church

- L 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,
- C Come, Holy Spirit.
- L 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.
- L 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,
- C Come, Holy Spirit.
- L 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,
- C Come, Holy Spirit.
- L Let us pray to rejoice with those who rejoice today, [*especially* . . .] that their joy and ours may be full. We pray,
- C Come, Holy Spirit.
- L 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,
- C Come, Holy Spirit.

Lord's Prayer

 C 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.

Sit

Offering

Pentecost Day Collect

L O God, you taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit. Grant us, by the same Spirit, to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction

L 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 T give you peace.

C Amen.

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord



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