Prayer and Praises" is your personal invitation to join with the Prayer Ministry of our church in daily prayer. If you would like someone to stay on the prayer list, please call the church office at 760-247-7392, put your request on the prayer cards in the church, or go on-line at www.ascensionav.org. Otherwise, names will be removed after two months.

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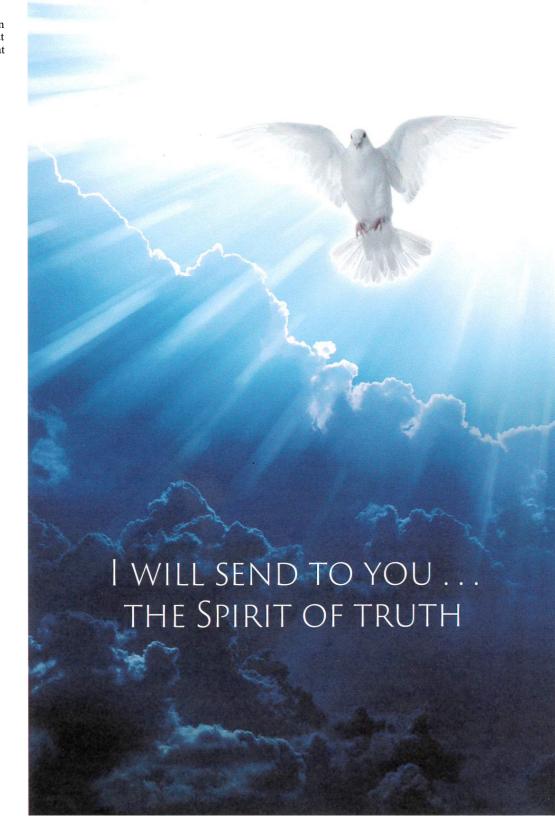
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About the Cover: On that first Pentecost morning, Jesus' promise of the Spirit was fulfilled. All that the disciples witnessed and heard from lesus prior to His cross and resurrection were brought out into the light like the heavens breaking open for the first time. The Spirit of truth descended and gave them boldness to proclaim the Gospel of forgiveness, life, and salvation in Jesus.



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DAY OF PENTECOST

9:00 a.m. Drive-In & Inside Service May 23, 2021

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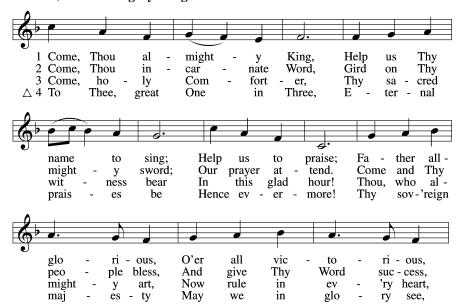
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Thoughts as We Gather

Pentecost was a major Jewish holiday that celebrated the harvest of grains and took this opportunity to remember God for His care of creation. Many godly Jews who were scattered throughout the Roman Empire went back to Jerusalem to worship the Lord at the temple. However, this Old Testament feast became significant also for the Christian Church, recast, ironically, into a day for the harvest of souls. Christ had prayed His high priestly prayer to God to protect His followers and to unify them as one. The Father responded by sending the Holy Spirit, the promised Paraclete. Father and Son, in fact, sent the Spirit of Jesus among the pilgrims to transform them into God's messengers.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

905 Come, Thou Almighty King



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitors are asked to sign the guest book in the Narthex, please include your address and home church. If this is your first time attending Holy Communion at Ascension, please speak with the Pastor or an Elder prior to the service.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be an Evangelism Committee meeting today, following the clean-up of the church after service.

PANTRY NEEDS

Thank you to all who have made donations to our pantry. Currently, we are only in need of peanut butter and spaghetti sauce. Thank you!

GRADUATION PARTY

There will be a graduation party with cake and drinks for Joshua Harris and Erik Robin after service on June 6. Everyone is welcome to attend.

THIS WEEK AT ASCENSION

Sun. (05/23) 9:00 a.m. Drive-In & Inside Worship Evangelism Committee Mtg.

Wed. (05/26) 9:00 a.m. Bible Study

Thurs. (05/27) 6:00 p.m. NAMI Family to Family

Sun. (05/30) 9:00 a.m. Drive-In & Inside Worship

ATTENDANCE:

05/16/2021 9:00 a.m. 70

OFFERING:

Needed weekly: \$ 3,737.00 Received 05/16/21 \$ 2,254.08 Short \$ (1,482.92)

SERVING SERVICE TODAY:

ELDER Ken Porter **HEAD USHER** Bruce Benson

SUNDAY READINGS

The readings for Sunday, May 30, 2021 are:

Isaiah 6:1-8

Psalm 29 (antiphon: v.2) Acts 2:14a, 22-36 John 3:1-17

STEWARDSHIP: May 23 – Pentecost

Acts 2:1 – "When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place." Pentecost was the Old Testament harvest festival – a time of thanksgiving, bounty, and the giving of gifts. How appropriate that the New Testament takes on the meaning of a new harvest – the ripe fields of the nations. This includes bringing in the elect of every tribe and tongue to sing the Lord's praise. Every farmer knows that it is God who gives the increase and that the harvest calls for thanksgiving.



Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- who made heaven and earth.
- **P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
 - and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Stand

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT

Psalm 104:24, 27-28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text

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

O LORD, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom have You made them all;

the earth is full of Your creatures.

These all look to You,

to give them their food in due season.

When You give it to them, they gather it up; when You open Your hand, they are filled with good things.

When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created, and You renew the face of the ground.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

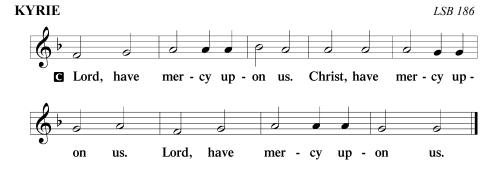
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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





as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.



500 Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid



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The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra-cious un - to you.



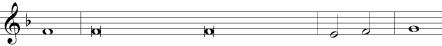
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



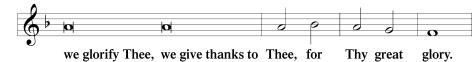




P Glory be to God on high: C and on earth peace, good - will toward

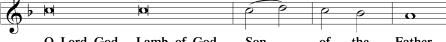


men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee,

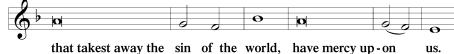








O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

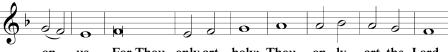


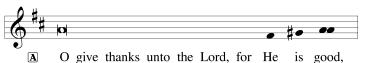


Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-







Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one

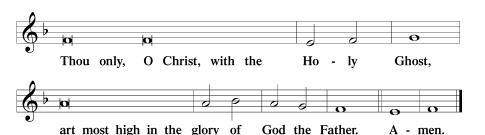


God, now and forever.

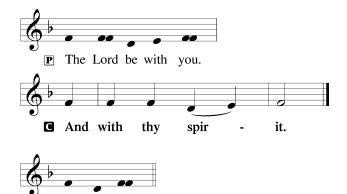








SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY



P 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.



P Let us pray.

Sit

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

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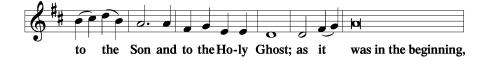














¹The hand of the LORD was upon me, and He brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And He led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, You know." ⁴Then He said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And 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."

⁷So 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. ⁸And 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. ⁹Then 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." ¹⁰So I prophesied as He commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army.

¹¹Then 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 clean cut off." ¹²Therefore 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. ¹³And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O My people. ¹⁴And 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."

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

PSALM

Psalm 139:1–12; antiphon: v. 17

O LORD, You have searched me and known me!

²You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You discern my thoughts from afar.

³You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

⁴Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, You know it altogether.

⁵You hem me in, behind and before, and lay Your hand upon me.

⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.

⁷Where shall I go from Your Spirit?
Or where shall I flee from Your presence?
⁸If I ascend to heaven, You are there!
If I make my bed in Sheol, You are there!
⁹If I take the wings of the morning
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
¹⁰even there Your hand shall lead me,
and Your right hand shall hold me.
¹¹If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,
and the light about me be night,"
¹²even the darkness is not dark to You;
the night is bright as the day,
for darkness is as light with You.

This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

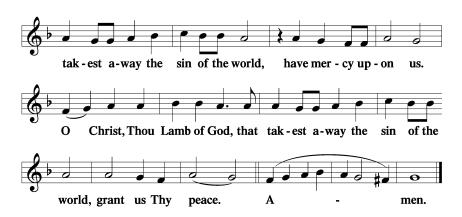
Acts 2:1–21

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

17" 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;
18 even on My male servants and female servants



Sit

DISTRIBUTION

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table





THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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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 Holood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PAX DOMINI LSB 197



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



AGNUS DEI

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O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that

in those days I will pour out My Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above

and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood.

before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

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

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

Stand



HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.



²⁶[Jesus said:] "When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness about Me. ²⁷And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning. . . .

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷Nevertheless, 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. ⁸And when He comes, He will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; ¹⁰concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see Me no longer; ¹¹concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

12"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13When 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. 14He will glorify Me, for He will take what

is Mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is Mine; therefore I said that He will take what is Mine and declare it to you."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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.

It is truly meet, 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, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. 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 LSB 195

ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth; ho ly,



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He.



bless-ed is He, bless-ed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

P Our Father who art in heaven,

LORD'S PRAYER

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:

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and lead us not into temptation.

but deliver us from evil.

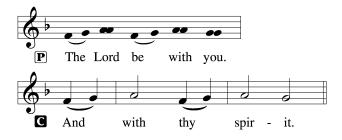
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Communion Statement

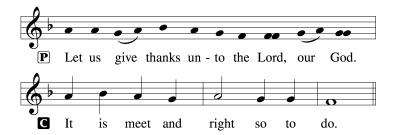
The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the Pastor or an Elder.

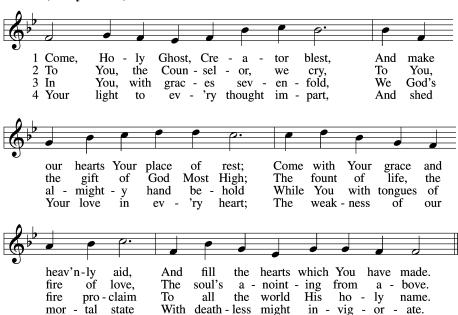
PREFACE LSB 194







498 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest



- 5 Drive far away our wily foe, And Your abiding peace bestow; With You as our protecting guide, No evil can with us abide.
- 6 Teach us to know the Father, Son, And You, from both, as Three in One That we Your name may ever bless And in our lives the truth confess.
- △ 7 Praise we the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, with them One, And may the Son on us bestow

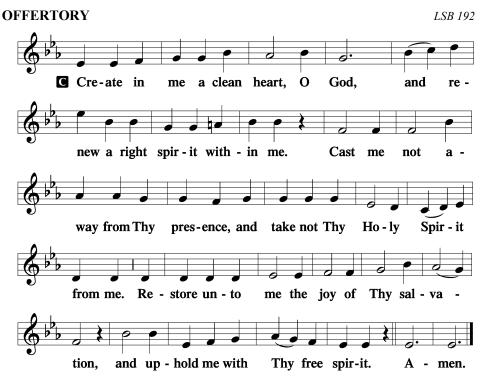
 The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

SERMON TEXT: Acts 2:1-21

SERMON THEME: "The Outpouring of the Holy Spirit"

- P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.
- C Amen.

Stand



Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- **P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For gladness in the Holy Spirit, who fills the world with the remembrance of everything Christ Jesus has spoken, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

- That the name of Jesus would be glorified among us in word and deed, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the Holy Church established on the proclamation of Christ, that His Spirit would sustain the apostolic preaching to the ends of the earth, and that in every tongue the mighty works of God would be heard, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For hope in the midst of this world of death and despair; that God would put His Spirit within us to believe, to live and to serve according to His promises and commands; and that He would lead our homes to confess confidence in His power to raise the dead now and at the Last Day, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- To beat back Satan's lies and deadly work, that we would know and believe that this world's ruler is judged; for good government and leaders who are both honest and faithful; and for faith that looks eagerly for Christ's quick return, let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- For the help and salvation of all [especially]; that the Spirit would renew the face of the earth, look with favor on His creatures and fill the hearts of the faithful, kindling in them the fire of His love, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For all who commune, that God would send His Holy Spirit upon His faithful people to convict us of our sin and convince us also that Christ's righteousness is ours, that in such repentance and faith we would receive the things of Christ declared to us in His Supper: the holy body and precious blood for the forgiveness of our sins; and that He would unite us by the Spirit of truth in faith and confession, comforting us with the knowledge that this world's prince is judged, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- E Lord God, heavenly Father, through Your Son You promised Your Holy Spirit, who would convince the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. Enlighten our hearts so that we confess our sins, obtain everlasting righteousness through faith in Christ and, through every trial and temptation, abide in the consolation that Christ is Lord over the devil, death and all things, and that He will graciously deliver us from all affliction to make us partakers of eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.