TODAY'S FOCUS

"We were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body" God tells us in 1 Corinthians 12:13. As Pastor Jerry McNamara leads us further into our summer series studying 1 Corinthians, we focus on the Spirit's role of enabling us to believe, empowering us with different gifts, and placing us in one unified Body, the Church. May we be eager for the greatest gifts we can share to strengthen one another!

+ COME UNTO THE LORD AND SING +

LSB 578 THY STRONG WORD

sts. 1-3

1 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;

At Thy speaking it was done.

For created light we thank Thee,

While Thine ordered seasons run.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia without end!

2 Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,

Dark as night and deep as death,

Broke the light of Thy salvation,

Breathed Thine own life-breathing breath.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia without end!

3 Thy strong Word bespeaks us righteous;

Bright with Thine own holiness,

Glorious now, we press toward glory,

And our lives our hopes confess.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise to Thee who light dost send!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia without end!

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INVOCATION

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

- P O Lord, I love the habitation of Your house,
- and the place where Your glory dwells.
- **P** Lord, restore the fortunes of Your people.
- Let all Your people rejoice and be glad!
- P From generation to generation, You are our God.
- Your Word shall be heard among our children and our children's children.

- **P** Let us ever share the joys of Jesus.
- Let us spread His grace and love to all the nations.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Indeed, it is good to be here, worshiping the Lord and receiving His gifts for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. Yet, we must admit that there have been times when we have taken God for granted. There have been times when we have sought our own honor or protection rather than honoring and protecting one another in Christ's living Body, the Church. Still, our heavenly Father invites us to come to Him and ask for forgiveness.

Silence for reflection.

- P Heavenly Father,
- we confess that we have not always looked to You for all good. We have sometimes been jealous of the gifts or positions of others, and forget that all that we are is from You. We confess our sins of thought, word, and deed. Forgive us, Father, for these weak failures. Renew us and lead us, so that we follow You and look to You for all good, for the sake of Jesus. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die and rise for You and because of Jesus forgives You all Your

sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen. We are forgiven in Christ. He is our true inheritance forever. Amen.

LSB 578 THY STRONG WORD

sts. 5-6

Give us lips to sing Thy glory,Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,

Throats that shout the hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy holy name.

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the light which Thou dost send

Fill our songs with alleluias,

Alleluias without end!

 \triangle 6 God the Father, light-creator,

To Thee laud and honor be.

To Thee, Light of Light begotten, Praise be sung eternally.

Holy Spirit, light-revealer,

Glory, glory be to Thee.

Mortals, angels, now and ever Praise the holy Trinity!

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SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

+ GOD'S HOLY WORD +

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Numbers 11:24–29 NIV

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people what the Lord had said. He brought together seventy of their elders and had them stand around the tent. ²⁵ Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took some of the power of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied—but did not do so again.

²⁶ However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders, but did not go out to the tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ A young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp."

- ²⁸ Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses' aide since youth, spoke up and said, "Moses, my lord, stop them!"
- ²⁹ But Moses replied, "Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put his Spirit on them!"
- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

¹Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to mute idols. ³ Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

- ⁴ There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵ There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord.
- ⁶ There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.
- ⁷ Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸ To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.
- ¹² Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

¹⁵ Now if the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹ If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" ²² On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, ²⁴ while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the parts that lacked it, ²⁵ so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. ²⁶ If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.

²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. ²⁸ And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues. ²⁹ Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰ Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹ Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.

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

HOLY GOSPEL

John 6:63-69 NIV

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

⁶³The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. ⁶⁴ Yet there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. ⁶⁵ He went on to say, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them."

- ⁶⁶ From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.
- ⁶⁷ "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve.
- ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."
- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

LSB 496 HOLY SPIRIT, LIGHT DIVINE

sts. 1-2, 4-5

1 Holy Spirit, light divine, Shine upon this heart of mine; Chase the shades of night away, Turn the darkness into day.

- 2 Let me see my Savior's face, Let me all His beauties trace; Show those glorious truths to me Which are only known to Thee.
- 4 Holy Spirit, joy divine, Cheer this saddened heart of mine; Yield a sacred, settled peace, Let it grow and still increase.
- Holy Spirit, all divine, Dwell within this heart of mine;
 Cast down ev'ry idol throne, Reign supreme, and reign alone.

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APOSTLES' CREED

the resurrection of the body,

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,

and the life + everlasting. Amen.

OUR PRAYERS TO OUR HEAVENLY FATHER

+ SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION +

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.

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 + blood, which

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

+ HYMN OF COMMUNION +

LSB 808 O SING TO THE LORD

sts. 1, 4-5s

- 1 O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.
 - O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.
 - O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.
 - O sing to our God, O sing to our God.
- 4 O shout to our God, Who gave us the Spirit.
 - O shout to our God, Who gave us the Spirit.
 - O shout to our God, Who gave us the Spirit.
 - O sing to our God, O sing to our God.
- 5s ¡Jesús es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya!

¡Jesús es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya!

¡Jesús es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya!

¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!

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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.
- C Amen.

BLESSED ASSURANCE

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine
Oh what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation purchase of God
Born of His Spirit washed in His blood (CHORUS)

CHORUS

This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

- Perfect submission perfect delight Visions of rapture now burst at my sight Angels descending bring from above Echoes of mercy whispers of love (CHORUS)
- 3 Perfect submission all is at rest
 I in my Savior am happy and blest
 Watching and waiting looking above
 Filled with His goodness lost in His love (CHORUS)

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