

AS WE GATHER

On the Day of Pentecost, the crowd experienced another promise made by Jesus being fulfilled, and all believers get to experience the promised Holy Spirit helping us to believe in and live with God!

+ ALL GLORY TO GOD +

LSB 905 COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

- 1 Come, Thou almighty King, Help us Thy name to sing;
Help us to praise;
Father all-glorious, O'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.
- 2 Come, Thou incarnate Word, Gird on Thy mighty sword;
Our prayer attend.
Come and Thy people bless, And give Thy Word success,
And let Thy righteousness On us descend.
- 3 Come, holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour!
Thou, who almighty art, Now rule in ev'ry heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.
- △ 4 To Thee, great One in Three, Eternal praises be
Hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty May we in glory see,
And to eternity Love and adore.

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INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P The Holy Spirit has worked faith in our hearts so that we may hear the good news about our Savior, but our sins are always before us. Let us therefore confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We are helpless to amend our sinful lives without You, gracious God. For Jesus' sake, forgive us, renew our faith, and turn our feet to paths pleasing to You.**

P In Eden, God created our first parents from the clay of His good earth. When they ate the forbidden fruit, the Word became clay Himself to pay for our sins and to rise victorious. Our heavenly Father has molded you, Christ's peace is with you, and the Spirit is in you to enkindle your faith. I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God, on this day, You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit.

C 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;

P through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

+ GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY +

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 11:1–9 NIV

^{11:1}Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. ²As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.

³ They said to each other, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth.”

⁵ But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. ⁶ The Lord said, “If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.”

⁸ So the Lord scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. ⁹ That is why it was called Babel —because there the Lord confused the language of the whole world. From there the Lord scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Gethsemane Adult Choir

"Holy Spirit" by Keith Getty

SECOND READING

Acts 2:1–21 NIV

^{2:1} When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. ⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken.

⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans?
⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language?
⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and
Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the
parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts
to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of
God in our own tongues!” ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one
another, “What does this mean?”
¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much
wine.”
¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the
crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this
to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you
suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the
prophet Joel:
¹⁷ *“In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.
¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in
those days, and they will prophesy.
¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.
²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.
²¹ And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”*

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Gethsemane Adult Choir

"Wake Up, Church, Wake Up" by Pepper Choplin

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

^{14:23} Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. ²⁵ “All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. ²⁸ “You heard me say, ‘I am going away and I am coming back to you.’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe. ³⁰ I will not say much more to you, for the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold over me, ³¹ but he comes so that the world may learn that I love the Father and do exactly what my Father has commanded me. “Come now; let us leave.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

LSB 503 O DAY FULL OF GRACE

sts. 1, 3–4

1 O day full of grace that now we see
 Appearing on earth’s horizon,
Bring light from our God that we may be
 Replete in His joy this season.

God, shine for us now in this dark place;
Your name on our hearts emblazon.

3 For Christ bore our sins, and not His own,
When He on the cross was hanging;
And then He arose and moved the stone
That we, unto Him belonging,
Might join with angelic hosts to raise
Our voices in endless singing.

4 God came to us then at Pentecost,
His Spirit new life revealing,
That we might no more from Him be lost,
All darkness for us dispelling.
His flame will the mark of sin efface
And bring to us all His healing.

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MESSAGE

CREED

Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,**

**very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and
the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✝ of the world to come. Amen.**

RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

John 14:26

+ SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION +

INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNION

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.

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

LSB 703 HOW CAN I THANK YOU, LORD

sts. 1, 3–5

1 How can I thank You, Lord, For all Your loving-kindness,
That You have patiently Borne with me in my blindness!
When dead in many sins And trespasses I lay,
I kindled, holy God, Your anger ev'ry day.

3 Lord, You have raised me up To joy and exultation
And clearly shown the way That leads me to salvation.
My sins are washed away; For this I thank You, Lord.
Now with my heart and soul All evil I abhor.

4 Grant that Your Spirit's help To me be always given
Lest I should fall again And lose the way to heaven.
Grant that He give me strength In my infirmity;
May He renew my heart To serve You willingly.

△ 5 O Father, God of love, Now hear my supplication;
O Savior, Son of God, Accept my adoration;
O Holy Spirit, be My ever faithful guide
That I may serve You here And there with You abide.

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BENEDICTION

P 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.

LSB 650 HOLY SPIRIT, EVER DWELLING

- 1 Holy Spirit, ever dwelling In the holiest realms of light;
Holy Spirit, ever brooding O'er a world of gloom and night;
Holy Spirit, ever raising Those of earth to thrones on high;
Living, life-imparting Spirit, You we praise and magnify.
- 2 Holy Spirit, ever living As the Church's very life;
Holy Spirit, ever striving Through us in a ceaseless strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming In the Church the mind of Christ:
You we praise with endless worship For Your gifts and fruits unpriced.
- 3 Holy Spirit, ever working Through the Church's ministry;
Quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving, Setting captive sinners free;
Holy Spirit, ever binding Age to age and soul to soul
In communion never ending, You we worship and extol.

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