



# Day of Pentecost

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Welcome to Worship! Words in **bold** are said together. We will be sharing in Communion, please prepare bread and wine/juice.

*Welcome*

*Confession and Forgiveness*

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

**C: Amen**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

L: God, our provider,

**C: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trust in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

L: Siblings in Christ: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, we are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, the bread of life, we are shown God's mercy. Trust in the Spirit's work within you to bring forgiveness and healing and move you into faith. Amen.

*Opening Song – Awesome God* (Lyrics will appear on screen)

**Prayer of the Day – Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*Scripture Readings*

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, "They are filled with

new wine.”<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

<sup>24</sup>O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**<sup>25</sup>Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.**

<sup>26</sup>There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

**<sup>27</sup>These all look to you to give them their food in due season;**

**<sup>28</sup>when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.**

<sup>29</sup>When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

**<sup>30</sup>When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.**

<sup>31</sup>May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works—

<sup>32</sup>who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

**<sup>33</sup>I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

<sup>34</sup>May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord.

**<sup>35</sup>Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!**

Romans 8:22-27

<sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. <sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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The holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John 15:26-27, 16:4-15

<sup>26</sup>“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup>You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. →

<sup>4</sup>“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. <sup>12</sup>“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Children’s Message*

Nancy Uptgraft

*Sermon*

Jacoppi Pahkamaa

*Song of the Day – All God’s Critters*

*Apostle’s Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Prayers of God’s People*

Each petition ends “Lord in your mercy,” please respond: **hear our prayer.**

*Offering*

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- ◇ Online: “giving” tab at [www.lordoflifeak.com/giving](http://www.lordoflifeak.com/giving) or the QR Code →
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*Offering Song – Bind Us Together*

**Offering Prayer – Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us and strengthen us in this meal. Make us be what we receive here: your body for the life of the world. Amen.**

*Communion* \* Eat and drink together at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer.

We pray together with confidence the prayer our Lord Jesus taught us to pray,  
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever, amen.**

*Announcements*

- Next Sunday is a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, our youth have planned and will lead worship that day! Please join us in supporting their gifts and the Spirit's work through them!
- Thank you to Jacoppi for today's sermon!

*Blessing and Dismissal*

L: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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