June 8, 2025

# Morning Worship — 9:30 a.m.

## Pastor Elshout — Pentecost Service

Votum and Salutation\*

Psalter 358:1-4\*

Reading of the Law—Exodus 20:1-20

Psalter 384:1, 5

Scripture: Acts 2:1-21

Pastoral Prayer

Psalter 290:1-5\*

Sermon Text: Acts 2:1-4

Sermon Theme: The Signs of the Outpouring of the Spirit

1. The sign of a mighty rushing wind

2. The sign of the tongues of fire

3. The sign of speaking in other tongues

Prayer

Psalter 415:2, 4\*

Benediction\*

Doxology: Praise God...\*

#### Family Sermon Discussion Questions—Acts 2:1–4 (AM Service)

- 1. Why can Pentecost, the outpouring of the Spirit, also be designated as the fullness of time?
- 2. What connection is there between the outpouring of the Spirit and the rending of the veil when Christ died on the cross?
- 3. What is the Holy Spirit's overarching objective in His saving ministry in sinners?
- 4\*. Why does the heart of fallen sinners require the mighty and irresistible ministry of the Holy Spirit?
- 5. What purifying effect does the saving ministry of the Holy Spirit have the hearts of men?
- 6. What is the evidence of a heart set aflame by the Holy Spirit?
- 7\*. How does the Holy Spirit's saving ministry also manifest itself in the use of our tongue?
- 8. Why is Pentecost called the reversal of the curse of Babel (Gen. 11)?

#### **Question for Self-reflection**

# Is there biblical evidence in our lives that we have been savingly wrought upon by the Holy Spirit?

<sup>\*</sup> Please stand as you are able

<sup>\*</sup> Questions for younger children

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# Evening Worship — 6:00 p.m.

## Pastor Elshout — Baptism Service

Votum and Salutation\*

Psalter 415:6, 7\*

Scripture: Isaiah 44:1-8; 59:19-21

Confession: Belgic Confession, Art. 26 (pp. 17–18)

Psalter 134:2, 3 Pastoral Prayer

Psalter 251: All\*

Sermon text: Isaiah 44:3-4

Sermon Theme: Jehovah's Promise Regarding His Spirit

1. A promise for a sinful seed

2. A promise flowing out of His heart

3. A promise of abundant blessing

Psalter 94:1–4

Reading of the Form for Baptism (p. 126)

Psalter 431:4

Administration of the sacrament of Holy Baptism

Psalter 425:5

Prayer

Psalter 393:1, 3\*

Benediction\*

Doxology: May the grace...\*

#### Family Sermon Discussion Questions—Isaiah 44:3–4 (PM Service)

- 1. What humbling truth regarding our seed, our children, is reaffirmed by the administration of the sacrament of Baptism?
- 2. Why was the seed of Abraham present at the outpouring of the Holy Spirit so utterly unworthy of this divine favor?
- 3\*. Why are we the living proof of the ongoing fulfillment of Isaiah 44:3?
- 4. How does Isaiah 44:3 affirm that the **LORD** (!) does what He does because He is who He is?
- 5. On what basis can God bestow His blessing (!) on our sinful offspring?
- 6\*. How is the annual renewal of the earth (Psa. 104:30) a wonderful picture of the saving ministry of the Holy Spirit?
- 7. How does Isaiah 44:3–4 affirm that it is God's delight to grant sinners an abundant measure of His blessing?
- 8. Why is Jesus Christ the sum and substance of God's abundant blessing to sinners?

#### **Question for Self-reflection**

# How does Baptism affirm that there is expectation for our seed?

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<sup>\*</sup> Questions for younger children

We welcome you as we gather to hear His Word on this special day commemorating the day of **Pentecost**.

### **Prayer Requests and Thanksgiving**

- A spiritual awakening in our nation
- Our persecuted brothers and sisters
- Those with burdens and suffering
- PRTS, PCS and GCA

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There will be an informational meeting about the Vacation Bible School for our families in the fellowship hall following **the morning service**.

This evening the sacrament of Holy Baptism will be administered. *Crew Arie Timmermans* will be baptized.

At the last Consistory meeting Paul Nieuwenhuis and Allison Thies were approved for making public confession of faith to become full members of our congregation. If no lawful objections are received, this will take place in the morning service of June 22.

At the last congregational meeting, the following brothers were elected; Kevin DeVries to the office of elder and Jeff Timmer to the office of deacon. If there are no lawful objections these brothers will be installed on June 22 in the evening service.

A Women's Autumn Coffee and Encouragement meeting is planned for Wednesday, September 24, at 9:00 am. Further details will be coming in late summer.

Our church is now in possession of a new and official pulpit Bible. It was anonymously donated. Many thanks to the donors.

## Dates & Events D.V.

- June 9 The VBS Planning committee will meet at 7:30 p.m.
- June 15 Student Karsten Koopman will serve us in the morning service, and Dr. J. Beeke will serve us in the evening service.
- June 23 Immanuel Fellowship Church is hosting Ukrainian pastors at 7:00 p.m. See the calendar.
- July 14-18 KRC Vacation Bible School.
- Aug 19 -21 Young Men Retreat at PRTS in Grand Rapids.
   See the calendar for more details.

The great promise of the Old Testament in connection with the advent of the Messiah was, that the Holy Spirit should then be abundantly communicated to men. Christ is said to have redeemed us in order that we might receive this promised Spirit. And the only evidence of a participation of the benefits of redemption, recognized by the Apostles, was the participation of the Holy Ghost, manifesting itself either in the extraordinary powers which he then communicated, or in those lovely fruits of holiness which never fail to mark his presence...It ceases to be the Gospel if we abstract from it the great truth, that the Spirit of God, as the purchase and gift of Christ, is ever present with his people guiding their inward exercises and outward conduct, and bringing them at last, without spot or blemish, to the purity and blessedness of heaven.

~Charles Hodge

## **Nursery**

June 8 a.m. Infants: Liz DeVries (T) Jessica Thies, Maybelle S. Toddlers: Infants: Sarah Blok June 8 p.m. Kari Scholten, Moriah Mol Toddlers: June 15 a.m. Infants: Liz DeVries (VG) Toddlers: Heather Ferguson, Maria DeVries June 15 p.m. Infants: Carolyn DeVries

Brianna Dingemans, Macy VanD.

<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Morning</u>	Evening
June 8 June 15	Tim N Jake G	Fred D Tom V
June 22	Bill T	John K

Toddlers:

### **Collections**

The Education Fund will be collected each Sunday.

June 8 Discretionary June 15 Parsonage

June 22 General

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And it shall come to pass afterwards, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions ~ Joel 2:28