



Pentecost

May 24, 2026

WELCOME! We are blessed to worship with you today!
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SERVING TODAY:

Reader: Ann Caine
Prayer Leader: Debi Musick
Ushers: Robert Adair, Russ Bainbridge, Steve Krause, Benji Sitton & Kenrick Veit
Children's Message: Dawn Finnicum
Altar Guild: Kathy Knox
Communion Assistants: Anne Caine, Roger & Debi Musick, Ann Lawton, Amy Bandi, Paula Schopflin & Carolyn Behrens
Video assistant: Tracy Caine
Acolyte & Crucifer: Viktor & Pippa Teske

PRELUDE: ***Blessed Assurance*** Ron Wallace & Marilyn Rosfeld

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. ***Amen.***

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *(Pause for silent reflection)*
Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may serve you in the newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

God who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together in Christ. By grace we have been saved and in the name of Christ your sins are forgiven. ***Amen.***

OPENING HYMN: #400 ***God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind*** vs 1, 2 & 4

God of tempest, God of whirlwind, as on Pentecost descend!
Drive us out from sheltered comfort; past these walls your people send!
Sweep us into costly service,
there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!

God of blazing, God of burning, all that blocks your purpose, purge!
Through your church, Christ's living Body, let your flaming Spirit surge!
Where deceit conceals injustice,
kindle us to speak your truth, kindle us to speak your truth!

God of passion, God unsleeping, stir in us love's restlessness!
Where the people cry in anguish, may we share your heart's distress.
Rouse us from content with evil;
claim us for your kingdom's work, claim us for your kingdom's work!

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Kyrie 3 & 4

Refrain



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
hun - gry and the poor; that
friends and fam - i - ly; for
wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
life and for love, for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Let us pray. O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgement in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Numbers 11:24-30

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord, and he gathered seventy of the elders of the people and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders, and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.

²⁶Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!"

³⁰And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM 104:24-34, 35b

²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number,

living things both small and great.

²⁶There go the ships to and fro,

and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

²⁷All of them look to you

to give them their food in due season.

²⁸You give it to them; they gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

²⁹When you hide your face, they are terrified;

when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;

and so you renew the face of the earth.

³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever;

O LORD, rejoice in all your works.

³²You look at the earth and it trembles;

you touch the mountains and they smoke.

³³I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

I will praise my God while I have my being.

³⁴May these words of mine please God.

I will rejoice in the LORD.

³⁵Let sinners be consumed from the earth and the wicked be no more.

Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING Acts 2:1-21

²When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, 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, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine.

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷In 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. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Word of God, Word of Life. ***Thanks be to God.***

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

The image shows a musical score for the Gospel Acclamation. It consists of a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The vocal line is written in a simple, rhythmic style with lyrics: 'Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!' repeated three times. The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic and rhythmic foundation.

Repeat

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

GOSPEL READING **John 20:19-23**

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE **Dawn Finnicum**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

Jonathan Hicks w/Ron Wallace & Marilyn Rosfeld

MESSAGE

Pastor Stefanie Rowinski

HYMN

We are God's People

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,
born of His spirit, established by His word.

Our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in Him we stand;
O let us live transparently and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are the body of which the Lord is head,
called to obey Him, now risen from the dead.

He wills us be a family diverse, yet truly one;
O let us give our gifts to God and so shall His work on earth be done.

We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,
formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's grace.

We die alone, for on its own each ember loses fire;
yet joined in one the flame burns on to give warmth and light and to inspire.

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake, he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. AMEN.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Come from the four winds, O Spirit,
and breathe upon us that we may live.

We praise you and we bless you, our risen Lord Jesus, King of glory, for you promised that your disciples would be baptized with the Holy Spirit and now we see the fulfilment of your promise. Fill us afresh with your Spirit today, revive your Church, and renew the face of the earth. (*Brief silence for personal prayer.*) To you, Lord Jesus, giving to your people the greatest gift of all, be honor and glory, now and forever.

Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life: Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Almighty and ever-living God, you fulfilled the promise of Easter by sending the gift of your Holy Spirit. Look upon your people gathered in prayer, open to receive the Spirit's flame. May it come to rest in our hearts and heal the divisions of word and tongue, that with one voice and one song we may praise your name in you and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

COMMUNION

The Lord be with you. **And also, with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true, promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to the glory of your Name:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to all of them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

THE 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. AMEN

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS

Let us pray. ***Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.***

THE BLESSING

May the Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

Ron Wallace

SENDING - Go in Peace. Share the good news. ***Thanks be to God.***

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAVORITE HYMNS

Our Music Director, Nancy Krause, is responsible for picking the hymns each week for worship services. During the months of June, July and August, she'd like to program your favorite hymns. If you have 1 or more favorites, either write them on the form you'll find on the Visitor's Table in the Narthex, or email Nancy at: music@stpaulsokc.com. We will do our best to incorporate them into the summer worship Sundays!

CAMP SHILOH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to cook burgers at Camp Shiloh on Friday, June 12. Cooking begins at 4:00 p.m. to serve approximately 350 children and parents. Based in OKC, Camp Shiloh is dedicated to transforming the inner city with the love of Christ through sports, arts and meaningful relationships. If you can help contact Keith Kilpatrick, 826-4861.

SPLC AT THE BALL PARK

We are having all church night out at the ballpark. The dates to choose from are July 11th and July 31st. There will be fireworks after the game on the 31st. Signup sheets will be available on the information booth in the Narthex. Please sign up for the date you would like to go, and we will choose the winning date. These sheets will be out here until June 7th. Please reach out to Abby Davis with any questions.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

MAY

5/24- 9:30- Worship - Pentecost
5/25- Memorial Day - Office Closed

5/31- 9:30- Worship
6/3- WOW – OKC Zoo

JUNE

6/7- 9:30- Worship
6/10- WOW – OK Science Museum

6/21- 9:30- Worship
6/24- WOW – Leonardo's

6/14- 9:30- Worship
6/17- WOW – Orr Family Farm

6/28- 9:30- Worship