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SUNDAY WORSHIP – AT HOME COPY



THE DAY OF PENTECOST



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Worship Notes The Day of Pentecost – June 8, 2025

We welcome our members and guests who are worshiping with us today, and pray God's rich blessings upon you during this time of worship!

THEME

The Scriptures this day witness the remarkable releasing of the Holy Spirit. The mighty works of God are declared in countless languages. Fire blazes mysteriously above the disciples' heads. Outrageous confusion, mayhem, and chaos pave the way for global mission, ministry, and confession. The Holy Spirit teaches all things, equipping preachers to preach and people to listen. He is the Divine Helper, instilling within the Church an unrelenting confession of Jesus and His deeds of mercy and redemption.

ORDER

This weekend we follow a special *Service of the Word* as our order of worship. Our confession of faith this weekend is the Third Article of the Apostles Creed, along with Martin Luther's explanation from his Small Catechism.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Undoubtedly one of the greatest and most powerful hymns of the Lutheran Church is *Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord*. Dr. Martin Luther based it on what was a well-known pre-Reformation German antiphon, which in turn was based on an earlier Latin antiphon for the Vigil of Pentecost. Luther not only polished and improved the original German version, which is now the first stanza, he also amplified it with the addition of two more stanzas, so neatly crafted that one cannot distinguish the old from the new. The tune is based on the original German antiphon, this form appearing in Erfurt in 1524.

The Season of Pentecost

Pentecost, a major feast day in the Christian Church, marks the fiftieth day after Easter and commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles. In the Lutheran tradition, Pentecost is celebrated with joy and festivity, symbolizing the culmination of the Easter season and the beginning of the Church's mission.

The Lutheran Church emphasizes that Pentecost is not just a historical event but a continuing reality, as the Holy Spirit empowers believers to live out their faith and share the good news of Jesus.

Pentecost is a reminder that the Holy Spirit is a vital part of the Christian life, empowering believers to understand the scriptures, confess their faith, and live out the gospel.

It also underscores the importance of the church as a community of believers who are equipped by the Spirit to proclaim the message of salvation and serve others.

For us as a congregation, Pentecost is a celebration and reminder of the ongoing presence of God in the our world and a call to us to live in a way that reflects the power and love of Christ.

Our paraments on the altar are reminders to us of the coming of the Holy Spirit, telling of His work and power. The descending dove, a symbol of the Spirit, is on the left, while the right we see cascading flames, like the flames that rested on the disciples that first Pentecost. This should be a reminder to us to constantly implore the Holy Spirit to be in our hearts and kindle in *us* the fire of His love, as we ask in our Introit today!



The Day of Pentecost

A Service of The Word

Prelude, Ringing of the Church Bells, & Welcome to Worship

The 10:30 service begins on page 8 with the hymn

(8:00 Service) The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Baptized TodayJosephus White
Rose WhiteSon & daughter of Jacob and Laura White

Please stand and face the back of the church.

- In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.C Amen.
- Dearly beloved, Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." In the last chapter of Mark our Lord promises, "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." And the apostle Peter has written, "Baptism now saves you."

The Word of God also teaches that we are all conceived and born sinful and are under the power of the devil until Christ claims us as His own. We would be lost forever unless delivered from sin, death, and everlasting condemnation. But the Father of all mercy and grace has sent His Son Jesus Christ, who atoned for the sin of the whole world, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

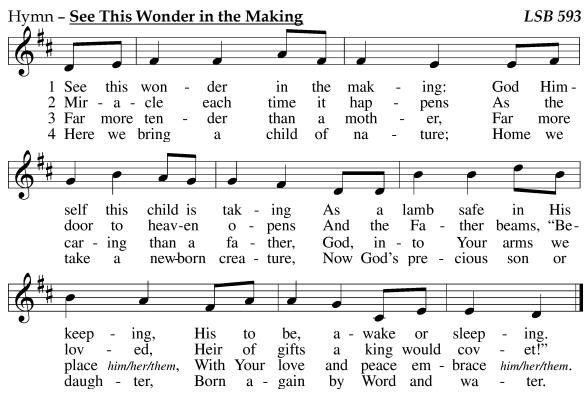
- **P** How is this child to be named?
- **R** Josephus.

- P How is this child to be named?
- **R** Rose.

To the candidates to be baptized:

Rose, receive the sign of the holy cross both upon your forehead + and upon your heart + to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

The baptismal group processes during the singing of the hymn



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To the sponsors:

It is your task as sponsors to confess with the whole Church the faith in our God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, in whose name these children are to be baptized. After these children have been baptized you are at all times to remember them in your prayers, put them in mind of their Baptism, and, as much as in you lies, give your counsel and aid, especially if they should lose their parents, that they be brought up in the true knowledge and worship of God and be taught the Ten Commandments, the Creed, and the Lord's Prayer; and that, as they grows in years, you place in their hands the Holy Scriptures, bring them to the services of God's house, and provide for their further instruction in the Christian faith, that they come to the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood and thus, abiding in their baptismal grace and in communion with the Church, they may grow up to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Jesus Christ.

This, then, you intend gladly and willingly to do?

- **R** Yes, with the help of God.
- God enable you both to will and to do this faithful and loving work and with His grace fulfill what we are unable to do.
- P Hear how our Lord Jesus Christ has opened the kingdom of God to children.

People were bringing little children to Jesus to have Him touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, He was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

 In order to implore the blessing of our Lord Jesus Christ upon the gathering of these children into the family of our Father, let us with all the family pray the prayer He gave us.

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.

- The Lord preserve your coming in and your going out from this time forth and even forevermore.
- **C** Amen.
- We shall all, together with these children, sponsors and parents, faithfully speak in testimony of the forgiveness of sin and the birth of the life of faith which God our Father bestows in and through Baptism.
- **P** Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?
- **C** I do renounce them.
- **P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?
- **C** Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
- **P** Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son?
- C Yes, I believe 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.
- **P** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

- **P** Who brings these children to be baptized?
- **R** We do.
- P Josephus, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit +.

C Amen.

P Rose, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ...

C Amen.

P The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life + everlasting.

C Amen.

A baptismal candle is lighted from the paschal candle and given to each of the newly baptized:

P Let us pray.

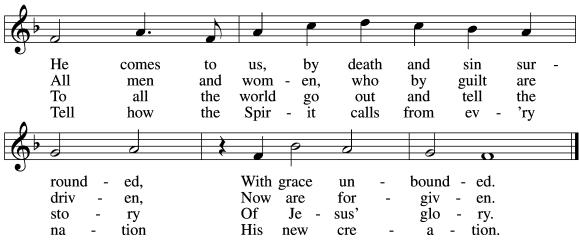
Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Josephus and Rose the new birth in Holy Baptism and made them members of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and heirs of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as they have now become Your children, You would keep them in their baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure they may faithfully grow up to lead godly lives to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

- Through Baptism God has added Josephus and Rose White to His own people to declare the wonderful deeds of our Savior, who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.
- **C** We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as fellow members of the body of Christ, children of the same heavenly Father, to work with us in His kingdom.
- ▶ And you, Josephus and Rose, the Lord bless you in all your ways from this time forth and even forevermore.

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C Amen.
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Hymn - Rise, Shine, You People
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(10:30 Only) Invocation

⊥ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Introit

- **L** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,
- **C** and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.
- L O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all;

Psalm 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text

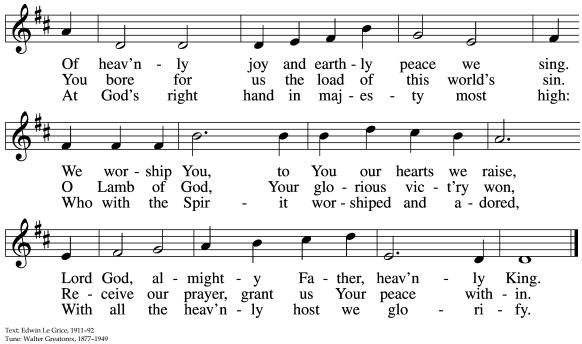
- **C** the earth is full of your creatures.
- **L** These all look to you,
- **C** to give them their food in due season.
- L When you give it to them, they gather it up;
- **C** when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

- L When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,
- **C** and you renew the face of the ground.
- **C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- L Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,
- **C** and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

Confession of Sins and Prayer for Grace

- **L** Let us 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 have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- L Almighty God, merciful father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- **C** Amen.





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Old Testament Reading

The Tower of Babel

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." ⁵And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. ⁶And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." ⁸So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

Genesis 11:1-9

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

The apostles receive the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

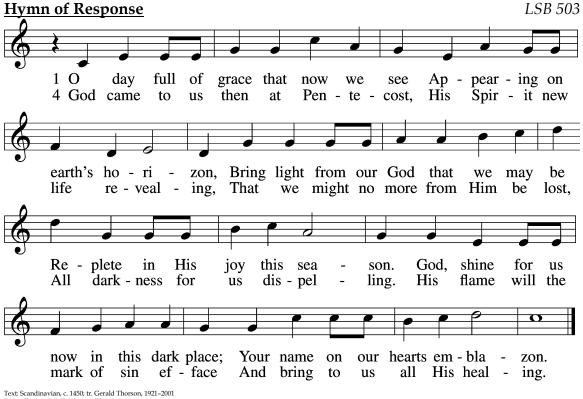
⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and 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, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians – we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this

is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

^{17"'}And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on 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 on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; ²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. ²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

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



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The Holy Gospel

Iohn 14:23-31

"The Helper, the Holy Spirit, ... will teach you all things."

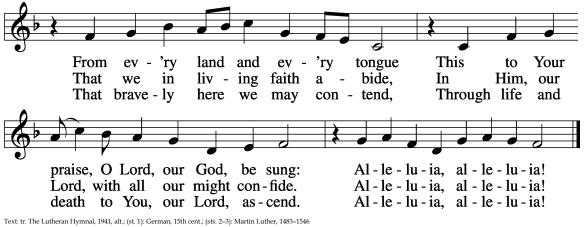
²³Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me. ²⁵"These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. ²⁸You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. ³⁰I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming.

He has no claim on me, ³¹but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here."

- **L** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.
- Sit

Children's Message





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Sermon

We Worship the Lord with Our Offerings

Offering Anthem - Lord, I Need You (Matt Maher)

Lord I come, I confess, bowing here, I find my rest. Without You, I fall apart; You're the one that guides my heart.

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You, every hour, I need You. My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You.

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more. Where grace is found is where You are. And where You are, Lord, I am free, holiness is Christ in me.

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You, every hour, I need You. My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You.

So teach my song to rise to You when temptation comes my way. And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You; Jesus, You're my hope and stay.

Lord, I need You, oh, I need You, every hour, I need You. My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You. You're my one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You. My one defense, my righteousness, oh God, how I need You.

Stand

Confession of Faith - Sanctification

- L We confess our faith with the words of the Third Article of the Apostles Creed and its explanation.
- **C** I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

Collect of the Day

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

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

C Amen.

Prayers

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

After each petition:

L Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Our prayers conclude:

- I Almighty Father, with Your Son, Jesus Christ, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts through Your Word to rule and govern us according to Your will. Comfort us in every temptation and misfortune and defend us against every error, that we may continue steadfast in the faith, increase in love and good works, and trusting firmly in Your grace obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- **C** Amen.

(10:30 Only) Lord's Prayer

- **L** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- **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.

Benediction

- The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.
- **C** Amen.

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Silent Prayer, Announcement, and Postlude

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Serving This Morning:

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Liturgist:	8:00 – Pastor Rory Karg 10:30 – Vicar Joshua Horst
Preacher:	Vicar Joshua Horst
Organist:	Lori Steingraber
Anthem:	Lori Steingraber & Members of Psalm 100 Ensemble
Elders:	8:00 – Luke Burkemper 10:30 – Pete Seddon
Acolytes:	8:00 – Henry Greatens & Gabe Radke
	10:30 – Jeremy Tian & Connor Wells
Ushers:	Team C – Andy Kruse & Gregg Knehans, Head Ushers

Chancel Flowers

The flowers in the chancel this weekend are given to the praise and glory of God by Barbara and Casey Kiehl in thankfulness for His many years of blessings as they celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary!

The special center bouquet is given with praise and thanksgiving to God by Walt May in loving memory of Helen and in commemoration of their 68th wedding anniversary!

> IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PLACE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL THE CHART IS AVAILABLE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL!