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6 p.m. Sat., May 30, & 8:15 a.m. Sun., May 31, 2020



St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School

- a Family to Whom You Belong -

Our Mission is to: **Make More & Better Disciples**

THE DAY OF PENTECOST

(6 p.m. Sat., May 30 & 8:15 a.m. Sun., May 31, 2020)

Servants of God's House

Pastor: Rev. Kenny Hsu

Organists: 6 p.m. Sat., Joyce Seymour; 8:15 a.m. Sun., Mabel Huldeen

Ushers: Tim Draube Team

Missionaries: Rev. Shauen & Krista Trump, Rev. Tim & Lisa Beckendorf,
Rev. Paul Flo, Rev. Charles Cortwright

Readers: 6 p.m. Sat., Marlis Hilden; 8:15 a.m. Sun. Dallas Schulz

WELCOME! We are glad that you are here worshipping God with us. We pray for God's blessings to you and invite you to come back again soon.

AS WE GATHER Today we recall the Feast of Pentecost, fifty days after our Lord's resurrection. In God's wisdom, this is one of the feasts all were required to attend in Jerusalem. In this way God provided for the largest gathering from the farthest reaches where His people lived in order to discover what Pentecost was really all about. Today with the lavish outpouring of God Himself, the Holy Spirit, "the Lord and giver of life," would proclaim the glory of salvation and eternal life through Jesus, the Son of God.

So today we hear the Word of God spoken to us in our own language, that powerful, mighty Word through which the Holy Spirit creates and strengthens the gift of saving faith in us. This faith is like living water flowing through our entire being bringing the refreshment of the forgiveness of all of our sins and a new and godly purpose for the living of our days. The water Jesus gives is the true water of life.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP 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. Amen.

Worship Service

(The congregation is invited to respond with the words written in **bold**.)

The Ringing of the Bells

The Hand of Fellowship

Hymn of Invocation "Today Your Mercy Calls Us"
(stand as you are able for the last verse)

LSB 915

(The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their baptism.)

The Invocation *Matthew 28:19b; (18:20)*

P: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession and Absolution

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P: Even as we glory in the gift of eternal life, in that hope we spend our days in joyful repentance and faith. Let us confess our sin, the sin that still so easily besets us, and receive the full forgiveness our Lord daily provides for us.

**C: Had Christ, who once was slain,
Not burst His three-day prison,
Our faith had been in vain:
But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen;
But now has Christ arisen! (LSB 482 refrain)**

**We are Your baptized people. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us into our
Easter joy.**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you. And in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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

P: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,

C: and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

P: O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all;

C: the earth is full of your creatures.

P: These all look to you,

C: to give them their food in due season.

P: When you give it to them, they gather it up;

C: when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

P: When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,
C: and you renew the face of the ground.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son
C: and to the Holy Spirit;

P: as it was in the beginning,
C: is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,
C: and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

The Salutation and Collect of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with your Spirit.

P: Let us pray.
C: O Lord God, heavenly Father, we give You thanks that of Your great goodness and mercy Your only-begotten Son became incarnate to redeem us from sin and everlasting death. Enlighten our hearts by Your Holy Spirit that we may forever give You thanks for Your grace and be strengthened in all times of tribulation and temptation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The First Reading Numbers 11:24–30 (Moses prays for the Spirit upon all.)

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them 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 as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.
²⁶Now two 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, and so they prophesied in the camp.
²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.”
²⁸And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, 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, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!”
³⁰And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

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

The Gradual We praise God together in the words of the Gradual.

Acts 2:17b; Romans 10:10

I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy. With the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

The Epistle Lesson Acts 2:1–21 (The coming of the Holy Spirit)

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.

(Stand as you are able)

The Alleluia

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.

(Please remain standing for the Gospel and the Creed)

The Holy Gospel John 7:37–39 (Rivers of living water)

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 7th chapter.

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

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| <p>³⁷On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. ³⁸Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will</p> | <p>flow rivers of living water.’” ³⁹Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.</p> |
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P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to You, O Christ.

The Apostles’ Creed

(on the back cover of the hymnal)

(Please be seated)

Hymn of the Day “O Day Full of Grace”

LSB 503

Sermon

Offering of God’s People to their Beloved Savior

We honor God with the gifts He has given to us.

St. Paul’s members have pledged to support our ministry in their tithes and offerings.

To our guest: Thank you for joining us today and please do not feel that you are obligated to participate. We invite you to come back again.

Please put your **Welcome Card** in the box in the back of the church.

Matthew 5:23-24– So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Offertory Hymn “O Holy Spirit, Enter In”

LSB 913

(stand as you are able)

The Prayer of the Church

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

Lord God, heavenly Father, we offer before You our common supplications for the well-being of Your Church throughout the world. So guide and govern it by Your Holy Spirit, that all who profess themselves Christians be led into the way of truth and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Send down upon all ministers of the Gospel and upon the congregations committed to their care the healthful spirit of Your grace, that they please You in all things.

Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Behold in mercy all who are in authority over us. Supply them with Your blessing, that they be inclined to Your will and walk according to Your Commandments. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: We humbly ask Your abiding presence in every situation that You would make known Your ways among us. Preserve those who travel, satisfy the wants of Your creatures, and help those who call upon You in any need and sickness including Steve and Angie Brown, Sandra Johnson, Roy and Barbara Sampson, Andrea Hsu and Gerald Collins, that they have patience in the midst of suffering and, according to Your will, be released from their afflictions. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Merciful Father, Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, rose victorious over death and the grave. We remember with thanksgiving all Your servants who trusted in Christ and now stand in Your nearer presence, where all sorrows are turned to joy. Strengthen us in the confident hope of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come, that we await with joy our reunion in Your heavenly kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: For those celebrating their baptismal anniversaries that they remain faithful to your Word including; Jeff Johnson, Kellen Sulzbach, Chris Sulzbach, Janet Frederick, Candi Martin, Janice Meek, Erin White, Kevin Heinemann Jr., Jon Sulzbach and Gail Wiener. Lord, in Your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

(on the back cover of the hymnal)

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

The Closing Hymn

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

LSB 650

Silent Prayer

Postlude

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Living Water

Date: 05/31/2020

Text: John 7:37–39

Verse for Meditation

Jesus said, “Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” John 7:38

Points to Ponder

1. The Feast of Tabernacles:
2. God used this feast as an opportunity to remind His people that He would satisfy their spiritual thirst in _____.
3. John 4:14
... whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”
4. Every Sunday we celebrate:
