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#### PENTECOST MAY 23, 2021 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# WELCOME

HYMN: "O Holy Spirit, Enter In" (LSB #913)

O Holy Spirit, enter in, And in our hearts Your work begin, Your dwelling place now make us. Sun of the soul, O Light divine, Around and in us brightly shine, To joy and gladness wake us That we may be Truly living, To You giving, Prayer unceasing And in love be still increasing.

Give to Your Word impressive pow'r, That in our hearts from this good hour As fire it may be glowing, That in true Christian unity We faithful witnesses may be, Your glory ever showing. Hear us, cheer us, By Your teaching; Let our preaching And our labor Praise You, Lord, and serve our neighbor.

O mighty Rock, O Source of life, Let Your dear Word, in doubt and strife, In us be strongly burning That we be faithful unto death And live in love and holy faith, From You true wisdom learning. Your grace and peace On us shower; By Your power Christ confessing, Let us see our Savior's blessing. (Public Domain)

#### INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: The Spirit of the Lord fills the world.

People: Alleluia! Alleluia!





Pastor: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful;

People: And kindle in us the fire of Your love.

Pastor: The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good tidings to the

afflicted;

People: He has sent me to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound. (Isaiah 61:1)

Pastor: Now the Lord is the Spirit,

People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. (2 Cor 3:17)

Pastor: Come, Holy Spirit,

People: The spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. (Isaiah 11:2)

Pastor: The Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name,

People: Will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to You. (John 16:13)

Pastor: No one can say "Jesus is Lord"

People: Except by the Holy Spirit. (1 Cor 12:3)

Pastor: Come, Holy Spirit, come:

People: And by the Holy Spirit we confess and proclaim, "Jesus is Lord!"

PRAYER: (Spoken together)

Holy Spirit, poured out at Pentecost, the power of God for salvation, continue to call, gather, enlighten, and sanctify the whole Christian church on earth that she may be a fitting and proper bride for our Lord who loves her. This we pray through Jesus Christ, who with You and the Father, are one God with dominion and power forever. Amen.

SONG: "Spirit of the Living God" (Pete Sanchez Jr.)

Spirit of the Living God, we affirm Your presence here, Spirit of the Living God, we affirm Your power here. To heal us, and to deliver us, To fill us and to change us, Spirit of God.

Spirit of the Living God,
we affirm Your presence here,
Spirit of the Living God,
we affirm Your power here.
To rest on us, and to empower us,
To work through us and to reveal in us,
Jesus the King.

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# OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ezekiel 27:1-14

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup> He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. <sup>3</sup>He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" I said, "O Sovereign LORD, you alone know." <sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! 5 This is what the Sovereign LORD says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. <sup>6</sup> I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the LORD." <sup>7</sup>So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. 8 I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe into these slain, that they may live." <sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army. <sup>11</sup> Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' 12 Therefore prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: O my people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup> Then you, my people, will know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. <sup>14</sup> I will put my Spirit in you and you will live. and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the LORD have spoken, and I have done it, declares the LORD.""

# **EPISTLE READING: Acts 2:1-21**

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. <sup>5</sup> Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. <sup>7</sup> Utterly amazed, they asked: "Are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? 8 Then how is it that each of us hears them in his own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome <sup>11</sup> (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" <sup>12</sup> Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine." <sup>14</sup> Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. <sup>15</sup> These men are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: 17 "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. 18 Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. 19 I will show wonders in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. <sup>20</sup> The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. <sup>21</sup> And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

HYMN: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (LSB #805)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. (Public Domain)

#### CHILDREN'S LESSON

## GOSPEL READING: John 7:37-39

<sup>37</sup> On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. <sup>38</sup> Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him." <sup>39</sup> By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

# **CONFESSION OF FAITH: (Spoken together)**

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.

HYMN: "Holy Spirit, Light Divine" (LSB #496)

Holy Spirit, light divine, Shine upon this heart of mine; Chase the shades of night away, Turn the darkness into day.

Let me see my Savior's face, Let me all His beauties trace; Show those glorious truths to me Which are only known to Thee.

Holy Spirit, all divine, Dwell within this heart of mine; Cast down ev'ry idol throne, Reign supreme, and reign alone. (Public Domain)

SERMON: Psalm 143:7-10 "The Spirit's Guidance"

**OFFERING** 

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Pastor: O Lord, You have blessed us with the peace of Christ and our hearts are glad.

People: But in our gladness, we have not always heard clearly enough the call to share our joy with others.

Pastor: As we get caught up in lives lived for ourselves,

People: We reject the gift of Your Spirit which enables us to go forth in Christ's name.

Pastor: Forgive us for depriving ourselves of the joy of serving others.

People: Forgive us for depriving others of knowing the peace of Christ.

Pastor: Have mercy on us,

People: And forgive us gracious God.

Pastor: Breathe upon us the breath of new life earned on the cross by our Savior Jesus, and given us through Your Holy Spirit.

People: Through the Spirit grant us forgiveness and strength that we may be Your faithful and fruitful people - a living church! Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF GRACE:

Pastor: The Holy Spirit does bring forgiveness to you! In Christ your sins are forgiven!

People: The burden of our guilt has been lifted off us by Jesus. In Him we live in the joy and peace of new life, and proclaim what great things God has done for us!

HYMN: "Oh That I Had a Thousand Voices" (LSB #811)

Oh that I had a thousand voices
To praise my God with thousand tongues!
My heart which in the Lord rejoices
Would then proclaim in grateful songs
To all, wherever I might be,
What great things God has done for me.

O all you pow'rs that He implanted,
Arise, keep silence now no more;
Put forth the strength that God has granted!
Your noblest work is to adore.
O soul and body, join to raise
With heartfelt joy our Maker's praise.
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# **PRAYERS**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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.

### **BLESSING**

SONG: "Thy Word" (Amy Grant, Michael W. Smith)

Refrain: Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid,
Think I've lost my way,
Still You're there
right beside me.
And nothing will I fear,
as long as You are near.
Please be near me to the end. (Refrain)

I will not forget,
Your love for me and yet,
my heart forever is wandering.
Jesus be my guide,
hold me to Your side,
and I will love you to the end
, to the end. (Refrain)
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#### **BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES**

# Sunday Morning at 10:45 in the Sanctuary

LOOKING AHEAD IN OUR SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS: "The End and Revelation!"

#### To access via Zoom.

Topic: Holy Emmanuel - Sunday Bible Study

Time: This is a recurring meeting Sunday's 10:45am

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#### Missional Living Learning Group:

Wednesday check the bulletin for dates at 6:00PM

Our goal will be to continue the discovery process as to what missional living means; or, how do we become more Christ like in our own zip code. In the meantime, if you have any questions please let me know. Blessings, Chuck Squires (612-799-5315 Cell) or squir008@msn.com





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# MASKS ARE NOT REQUIRED for FULLY VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS

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Wednesday Evenings
5:30 Food & Fellowship
6:30 Study & Kid's Time
Watch future
Bulletins and the
Announcer for more
Information



A shared experience

What comes to mind when you hear the word Pentecost? Many people think of a mighty wind, tongues of fire and multiple languages. But Acts 2 begins with another detail that's just as key: Jesus' disciples "were all together in one place." Because they were together physically and spiritually, the early believers didn't miss the lifechanging, world-changing birth of the Church.

The pandemic, while changing our definition of gathering, also highlighted our need for interaction. If Jesus' first followers hadn't been assembled on Pentecost, they would've missed the outpouring of God's power and the indescribable joy God had for them. Think about what believers today might miss if we neglect to worship with other friends of Christ. Who would want to miss God's blessings, promises and joy?

# PENTECOST Psalm 143:7-10

12. What does Jesus assure is awaiting us in God's word?

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<sup>7</sup> Answer me quickly, O LORD; my spirit fails. Do not hide your face from me or I will be like those who go down to the pit. <sup>8</sup> Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul. <sup>9</sup> Rescue me from my enemies, O LORD, for I hide myself in you. <sup>10</sup> Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; may your good Spirit lead me on level ground.

1.	When are we moved to cry out to the Lord in prayer?
2.	What do we tend to do after our prayers?
3.	Why do we sometimes wonder if God is at work?
4.	What gives us hope for good things to come?
5.	What is the message of God's unfailing love?
6.	How does the Holy Spirit rescue us?
7.	What are some of the ways the Holy Spirit led people in the past?
8.	What guidance does God call us to look for in our daily life?
9.	How does the Holy Spirit's guidance work?
10.	What can we do when the Holy Spirit guides us?
11.	Why does the Holy Spirit plead with us?