Day of Pentecost May 31, 2020

This is the day the Lord has made!



Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the Holy Spirit as God's presence within and among us.

In Acts the Spirit arrives in rushing wind and flame, bringing God's presence to all people.

Paul reminds us that though we each have different capacities, we are unified in the Spirit that equips us with these gifts.

Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on his disciples, empowering them to forgive sin.

We celebrate that we too are given the breath of the Holy Spirit and sent out to proclaim God's redeeming love to all the world.

Badlands Conference Evangelical Lutheran Worship With Holy Communion

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May 31, 2020 10:30 am

Preaching: Pastor Mike Pretzer **Presiding:** Pastor Joe Natwick Pastor Lisa Lewton, Pastoral Intern Colin Neuharth

Organist: Cheryl Hewson

- Gathering -

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are glad you are joining us for worship today! This is a great day to wear RED, symbolizing flames as the Spirit of God. Maybe you could light a candle at home this morning to remind you of the Holy Spirit's presence in your life and remind you to be aware of the work God is doing today, within us and in the world.

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF PRAISE

- L: O Divine Voice,
- A: You sing and the universe comes into being;
- L: O Divine Breath,
- A: You breathe and all things spring to life;
- L: O Divine Word,
- A: You call and creation is sustained;
- L: O Divine Flesh,
- A: You are born among us, and the Creator is clothed in creation;
- L: O Divine Spirit,
- A: You fill all that has been formed:
- L: O Divine Life,
- A: You are the pulse of all that is.
- L: And so, in amazement and awe, in wonder and celebration we marvel at this mystery: In You all things live and move and have being,
 - In all things, You live and move and express your Divine artistry;
 - And so we join with creation in the eternal song of worship and wonder...
- L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

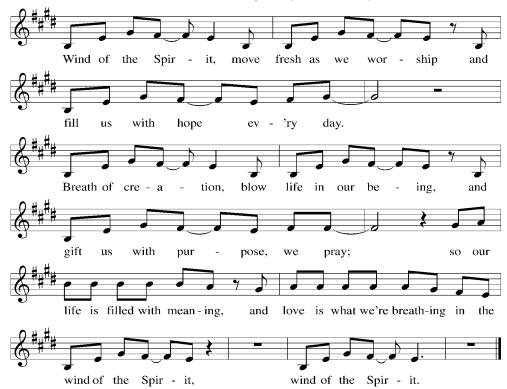
A: Amen.

L: Almighty God, perhaps we have not been ourselves these last few weeks. We are exhausted by this pandemic and eager to return to normal. Speak in our hearts, that we may confess our sin and faithfully walk in your ways. **A: Amen.**

- L: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another, after a moment of silence.
- L: Most merciful God,
- A: each new day is a gift from you. But these pandemic days are wearing us down. We yearn for normal. We dream of hanging out with friends, shopping without a mask, and planning summer vacations anywhere we want to go. We are grumpy with family and tired of screens. We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart, or loved our neighbors as ourselves. Abide with us and awaken us to your love. Amen.
- L: Jesus promised, "I will not leave you." He promised a Spirit of truth to guide us through uncertain days like these. Trust in God's promise, that the love of God has already been poured into the world and in the name of + Jesus Christ, you have been freed from the power of sin. Child of God, you need not yearn for days gone by, or for a sense of normal. God is with you today and every day, inviting you to live abundantly.

A: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN Wind of the Spirit (W&P # 157)



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GREETING

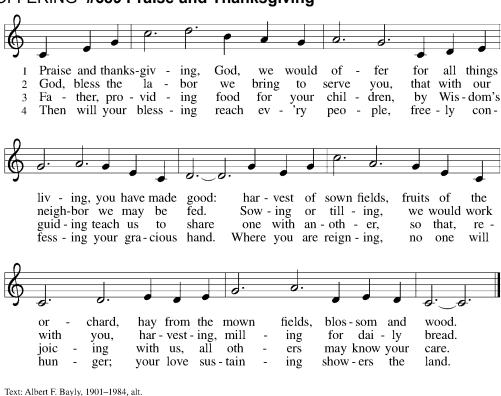
L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

A: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- L: The Lord be with you. A: And also with you.
- L: 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 judgment 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**.

OFFERING #689 Praise and Thanksgiving



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Thank you to those of

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OFFERING PRAYER

L: Let us pray. Merciful God, our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration, but you make of them an abundance, just as you do with our lives. Feed us again as we come to your table today, for service in your name, in the strength of the risen Christ.

A: Amen

– Word –

God speaks to us in Scripture, reading, preaching and song.

FIRST READING: Acts 2: 1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] 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 nation 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, "Men of Judea 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:

¹⁷'In 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.'"

L: The word of the Lord. A: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104: 24-34, 35b (please read the bold print)

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.

May 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.

^{35b}Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

Pentecost was a Jewish harvest festival that marked the fiftieth day after Passover. Luke portrays the Holy Spirit being poured out upon the disciples before the gathered and astonished people assembled in Jerusalem for the festival. Filled with the Spirit, the disciples were able to witness to the power of Christ's resurrection.

Paul is helping the Corinthians understand the relationship between our God-given unity and Spirit-created diversity. The Spirit creates the unity of faith and gives all Christians diverse gifts for the common benefit of all. We need one another's diverse spiritual gifts because the same Spirit has given them to each person for the common good.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13

^{3b}No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

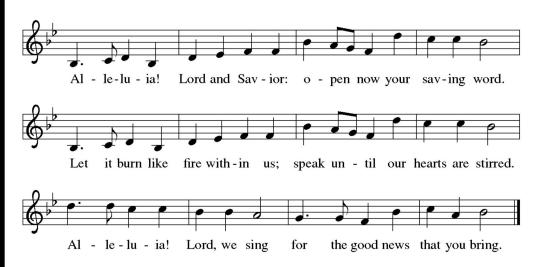
L: The word of the Lord

A: Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S TIME



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (please stand)



GOSPEL READING: John 20: 19-23

A: Glory to You, O Lord

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked 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."

A: Praise to You O Christ

The risen Jesus
appears to his
disciples, offering them
a benediction, a
commission, and the
gift of the Holy Spirit.

SERMON Pastor Mike Pretzer

HYMN OF THE DAY #407 O Living Breath of God



- up-on the wa ters;
- O liv-ing Breath of God, wind at the be-gin ning O liv-ing Breath of God, by whose pow'r the Son came O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing us to life through pow'r the Son came to birth a - mong us; us to life through bap-tis-mal wa - ters;



- O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing the cre-a-tion to won-drous birth:
- liv-ing Breath of God, who to the cre-a-tion gives life a new: liv-ing Breath of God, sigh-ing with cre-a-tion for free-dom's birth:



Come now, and fill our spir - its; pour out your gifts a - bun - dant.



liv-ing Breath of God, Ho-ly Spir-it, breathe in us as we pray.

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In Holy Baptism the triune God delivers us from the forces of evil. puts our sinful self to death, gives us new birth, adopts us as children, and makes us members of the body of Christ, the church.

You can follow along with this sacrament on page 226 in your hymnal



Today we celebrate the Baptism of Lila Knebel, daughter of Shayna and Andy Knebel

PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH

- L: Do you believe in God the Father?
- A: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- A: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again:

He ascended into heaven,

He is seated at the right hand of the Father, And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

- L: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
- A: I believe in the Holy Spirit, The holy catholic church, The communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

BAPTISM

WELCOME

- L: Let us welcome the newly baptized.
- A: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

HYMN #677 This Little Light of Mine vs 1

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine; This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine; This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Prayer Response: L: Lord, in your mercy

A: hear our prayer

SHARING THE PEACE

- Meal -

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

A: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

A: We lift them to the Lord.

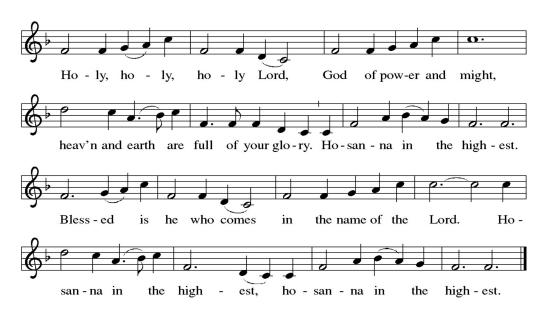
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

t is indeed right, our duty and our joy, . . .

. . . We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY





In the night in which he was betrayed . . .

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

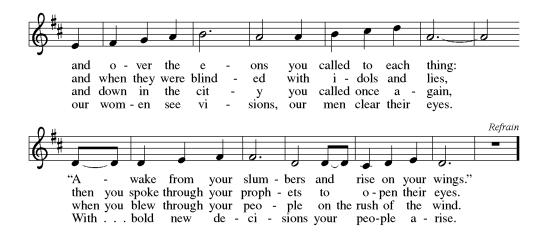
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

This version of the Lord's Prayer may not be familiar. Pray any Lord's Prayer you love.

- Distribution of Bread & Wine -

COMMUNION HYMN #396 Spirit of Gentleness vs 1 & 4





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POST COMMUNION BLESSING

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

L: Let us pray.

Life-giving God, you have fed us with your word, and our hearts burn within us. Through this meal you have opened us to your presence. Now send us forth to share the gifts of Easter with all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A: Amen.

- Sending -

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

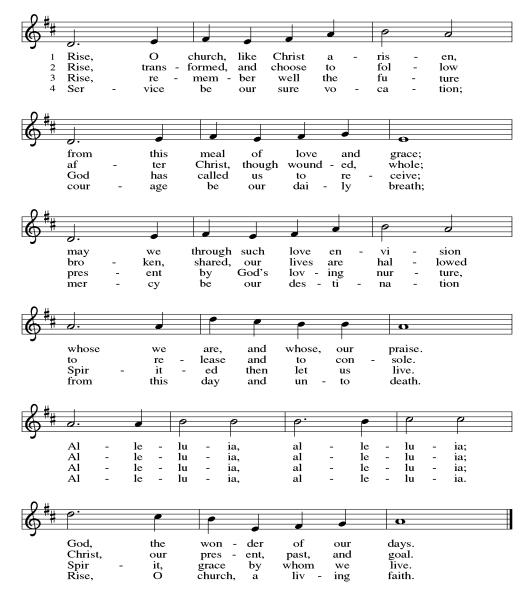
BLESSING

L: May the One who brought Jesus forth from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing.

Almighty God, Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

A: Amen.





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DISMISSAL

L: Christ is risen, just as he said.

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

A: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

