

The Feast of Pentecost

WELCOME TO BETHANY

We gather this day to receive God's gifts and to praise His holy name. If you are visiting us today, we encourage you to fill out a yellow card in the pew rack to inform us of your visit and to introduce yourself to one of the pastors. Please stop by our Welcome Center in the narthex for more information about Bethany, and to receive a gift for you from our church family. Also, be sure to pick up our weekly *News & Notes*, located on the table in the back of the church.

Bethany is a singing parish and we hope that you will join us. A fine voice is not required – just a heart for worship. As you follow the order of service in this bulletin, please note:

- LSB refers to the hymnal, *Lutheran Service Book*
- Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available. Please ask an usher.
- Front pew - hymnals are in a rack underneath your seat.
- Regarding communion. Today we celebrate the Lord's Supper where we receive Christ's Body and Blood, under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Those communing are giving public witness that they are one in doctrine. In loving obedience to this Scriptural teaching, we therefore invite communicant members of all congregations in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod to commune with us.

For your reference, worship participants are indicated as follows in the bulletin:

P: Presiding Minister (pastor's parts)

A: *Assisting Liturgist (pastor, choir or cantor)*

C: Congregation (or all)

AS WE GATHER

Today is Pentecost when we celebrate the birthday of the Church. In the larger story of the Bible we see that mankind's sin caused God to cause the confusion of people into different languages. This took place at Babel. In today's lesson, people of different languages hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Through Jesus Christ, all people can be one again. Jesus is the only hope for mankind. We celebrate the great miracle of the giving of the Holy Spirit so that we along with the saints from Acts 2 can "call on the name of the Lord and be saved."

+We Stand in Our Baptismal Grace+

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

(LSB #167)

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

C: **Amen.**

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

P: Let us then 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.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

GREETING

(Please be seated at 11:15AM; remain standing at 5PM, 7:45AM & 9AM.)

PRELUDE (11:15AM)

Schola Cantorum

“I Will Sing to the Lord”

Carl Schalk

*I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.*

*O Lord, how manifold are Your works!
In wisdom You have made them all;*

*the earth is full of Your creatures.
You 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;
may the Lord rejoice in all His works.*

- Psalm 104:23, 31-34

(Please stand and turn to face the processional cross as it enters the church.)

ENTRANCE HYMN “O Holy Spirit, Enter In”

LSB #913 st. 1

KYRIE “Kyrie – II”

LSB #944

1. Kyrie Eleison
2. Christe Eleison
3. Kyrie Eleison

CANTICLE “Alabaré”

LSB #799

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. *(silence is kept)* 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 to evermore rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

+We Sit to Meditate On God's Word+

THE FIRST READING

Numbers 11:24-30 (ESV)

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.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL "Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest"

LSB #499 st. 1,2,5,6

Stanza 1 - *cantor or choir*

Stanza 2 - *all*

Stanza 5 - *cantor or choir*

Stanza 6 - *all*

THE SECOND READING

Acts 2:1-21 (ESV)

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.'

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

+We Face the Gospel Procession+

VERSE (5PM, 7:45 & 11:15AM)

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C: antiphon

A: *Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia!*

C: antiphon

(9:00AM)

Proclaim

“Verse for Pentecost”

Dawn Lenore Sonntag

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

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

C:



Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 7:37-39 (ESV)

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 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: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C:



Praise to you, O Christ.

+We Sit for the Proclamation of Law and Gospel+

THE HYMN OF THE DAY “Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord”

LSB #497

SERMON

(The 7:45AM & 11:15AM services continue on page 9.)

+We Stand to Confess Our Faith

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(see inside back cover of hymnal)

THE PRAYERS

C: Lord, have mercy.

+The Tithes and Offerings are Received+

VOLUNTARY (9AM)

Proclaim

“O Lord, Give Thy Holy Spirit”

T. Tallis

O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit into our hearts,
and lighten our understanding,
that we may dwell in the fear of thy Name,
all the days of our life:
That we may know thee, the only true God,
through Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

(All guests and members are requested to complete an attendance card.)

+We Stand for the Liturgy of the Lord’s Supper+

OFFERTORY “What Shall I Render to the Lord”

LSB #176

THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

LSB #177

Today we commune *pilgrim style*. As space becomes available, approach the communion rail and kneel individually. After communing, you may depart whenever you wish. The blessing will be given to the whole congregation after all have communed.

COMMUNION HYMNS

“Now the Silence”

LSB #910

“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”

LSB #650

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

LSB #700

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION (9AM)

“Ubi Caritas”

Proclaim

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur.
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.
Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Amen.*

*(Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.
Where charity and love are, God is there.)*

DISMISSAL OF COMMUNICANTS

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Let us pray. We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

C: (sung) Amen.

CLOSING HYMN “O Holy Spirit, Enter In”

LSB #913 st. 2,3

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

7:45 & 11AM SERVICE CONCLUSION

+ We Stand to Confess Our Holy Faith+

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

(see inside back cover of hymnal)

+The Tithes and Offerings are Received+

THE OFFERING AND VOLUNTARY

(All guests and members are requested to complete an attendance card.)

+We Stand for Prayer+

OFFERTORY HYMN “To God the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray”

LSB #768

THE PRAYERS

C: Lord, have mercy.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN “O Holy Spirit, Enter In”

LSB #913 st. 2, 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY

5PM

PRESIDING MINISTER: Pastor Stephen Schumacher
ORGANIST: Susan Keller
ACOLYTES: Lindsey Komes & Jonathan Hynes
SACRISTANS: Greg Jordan, Neil Spooner
COMMUNION CARE: Barb Christensen
WELCOME CENTER: Marge Staffeldt
USHERS: Wayne Fischer, Dominic Salvino, Tim Benecke, Craig Benecke

7:45AM

PREACHING: Pastor Stephen Schumacher
LITURGIST: Pastor Timothy Rossow
ORGANIST: Susan Keller
ACOLYTES: Michael Johnson & Molly Marcinonis
GREETERS: Gertrude Bartha
WELCOME CENTER: Pam Splitt
USHERS: Scott Freitag, Doug Splitt

9:00AM

PREACHING: Pastor Stephen Schumacher
LITURGIST: Pastor Timothy Rossow
ORGANIST: Susan Keller
CHOIR: *Proclaim*; Phil Magness, director
ACCOMPANIST: Cheryl Magness
BRASS: DJ Alstadt, Bretch Brouch, Tyler Heuer, Erich Keller, Linda Komes
Dave Wohlrab; Cory Patterson, Timpani
Emily Dierking & Laura Dierking
ACOLYTES: Gregg & Lila Berger
GREETERS: Bruce Hanson, Dave Wohlrab, Jim Godshall, Glenn Luehrsen
SACRISTANS: Maria Simpson & Luella Placko
COMMUNION CARE: Noel Hogberg
WELCOME CENTER: Tom Linnemeyer, Mick Herrick, Rick Grimes, Steve Schiewe,
USHERS: Pat Simpson, Kevin Mooney

11:15AM

PREACHING: Pastor Stephen Schumacher
LITURGIST: Pastor Timothy Rossow
ORGANIST: Susan Keller
ACOLYTES: Missy Meyers & Jonathan Syers
CHOIR: *Schola Cantorum*; Phil Magness, director
GREETERS: Gary & Cindy Carlson
WELCOME CENTER: Donna Holecsek
USHERS: Dennis Bartelt, Joel Burke, Chris Thilk
ALTAR GUILD: Phyllis Rossow
BUILDING OPENER: Bob Diersen

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