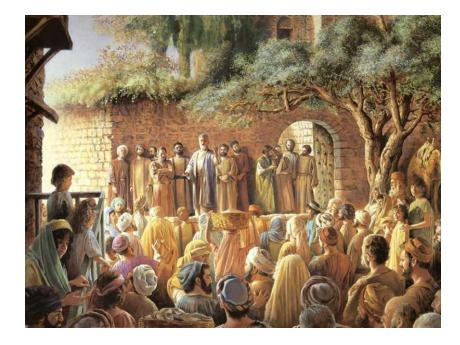
PENTECOST SUNDAY

Saturday – May 22, 2021 – 5:30 pm. Worship Sunday – May 23, 2021 – 9:30 am. Worship & Live-Streamed 10:30 am. Bible Study Hour



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+ Call to Worship + Hymn # 913 "O Holy Spirit, Enter In" 1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, And in our hearts Your Word im - pres - sive pow'r, 2 Give to That in our hearts 3 O Rock. O Source of might - y life, Let Your dear Word, Your dwell -Your work be - gin, ing place now make us. glow from this good hour fire As it may be ing, in doubt and strife, In us be strong - ly burn _ ing 0 Light di-vine, Sun of the soul, Ο A - round and in That in true Chris - tian u - ni - ty We faith - ful wit faith - ful un - to death love That we And live he in bright-ly shine, То joy and glad ness wake us us glo - es may be, Your show ing. ness ev er _ ry ho - ly faith, From You true wis - dom learn _ and ing. That we may be Tru - ly liv - ing, To You giv - ing By Your teach-ing; Let our Hear preach - ing us, cheer us Your grace and peace On us show - er; By Your pow - er Prayer un - ceas - ing in love be still in - creas ing. And la - bor Praise You, Lord, and -And our serve our neigh bor. Christ con - fess - ing, Let us see our Sav-ior's bless ing. Tune and text: Public domain

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

LSB 203 Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

- \blacksquare In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

Exhortation

Invocation

LSB 203 Psalm 124:8; Psalm 130:3-4; Luke 18:13

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Confession of Sins

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

LSB 203

Absolution

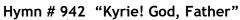
LSB 203 [John 20:19–23]

- 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 Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the +I+ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

Psalm 139:1-12, 17-18

- P ¹O LORD, you have searched me and known me!
- ²You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
 - you discern my thoughts from afar.
- ³You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.
- **C** ⁴Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, you know it altogether.
- ⁵You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.
- **C** ⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.
- ⁷Where shall I go from your Spirit?
- **C** Or where shall I flee from your presence?
- P⁸If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
- **C** If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!
- ⁹If I take the wings of the morning
 - and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- ¹⁰even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.
- I¹¹If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night,"
- ¹²even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day,
 - for darkness is as light with you.
- P¹⁷How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God
- **C** How vast is the sum of them.
- \mathbf{P} ¹⁸If I should count them they would outnumber the sand.
- **C** When I awake I am still with You.
- ALL 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.







Salutation and Collect of the Day

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

Sit

Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 36:22, 24-29, 35-36

²² "Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came.

²⁴I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

²⁷And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my just decrees

²⁸You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. ²⁹And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. And I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you.

³⁵And they will say, 'This land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden, and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are now fortified and inhabited.' ³⁶Then the nations that are left all around you shall know that I am the LORD; I have rebuilt the ruined places and replanted that which was desolate. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Acts 2:1–21

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?* ⁸*And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?* ⁹*Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,* ¹⁰*Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome,* ¹¹*both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.* ^{"12}And 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.""

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



Holy Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁶"But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. ²⁷And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

⁴... I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Hymn # 497 "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord"



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Apostles' Creed

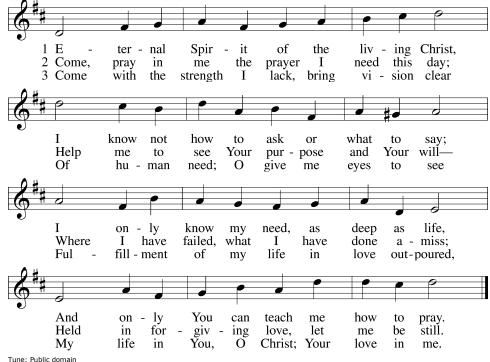
C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life + everlasting. Amen.

Sit





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Prayer of the Church

Responses:

- **P** Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

Final Petition:

Hear us Father for we pray in the name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, who has taught us to pray,

Lord's Prayer

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

LSB 212

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.



Hymn # 650 "Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"



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