

The Day of Pentecost

6:00 pm, May 23th

8:15 am, May 24th

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*We at St. Luke's dedicate
ourselves to grow in faith
and love, to serve together,
and to reach out with the
Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

Pentecost Sunday

On Pentecost,
we celebrate the
arrival of the
Holy Spirit to
the disciples.



PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS & GREETING

Following the welcome, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Stand, as able

Opening Hymn: Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

LSB 901, sts. 1–2

- 1 Open now thy gates of beauty;
Zion, let me enter there,
Where my soul in joyful duty
Waits for Him who answers prayer.
Oh, how blessèd is this place,
Filled with solace, light, and grace!
- 2 Gracious God, I come before Thee;
Come Thou also unto me.
Where we find Thee and adore Thee,
There a heav'n on earth must be.
To my heart, O enter Thou;
Let it be Thy temple now!

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CALL TO WORSHIP

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

Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

Psalm

Psalm 25:1–15

- P: ¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
C: ²**O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me.**
P: ³Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame; they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.
C: ⁴**Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.**

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Exhortation

LSB 213

- P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C** **who made heaven and earth.**
- P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

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

Confession of Sins LSB 213

- P:** O almighty God, merciful Father,
- C:** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**
- P:** ⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.
- C:** **⁶Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.**
- P:** ⁷Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!
- C:** **⁸Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.**
- P:** ⁹He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.
- C:** **¹⁰All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**
- P:** ¹¹For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

Absolution

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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 unto 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.**

C: **¹²Who is the man who fears the LORD? Him will he instruct in the way that he should choose.**

P: ¹³His soul shall abide in well-being, and his offspring shall inherit the land.

C: **¹⁴The friendship of the LORD is for those who fear him, and he makes known to them his covenant.**

P: ¹⁵My eyes are ever toward the LORD, for he will pluck my feet out of the net.

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.

C **Amen.**

Remain Standing

(8:15)Hymn of Praise: Up Through Endless Ranks of Angels

LSB 491, sts. 3–4

3 To our lives of wanton wand'ring
Send Your Spirit, promised guide;
Through our lives of fear and failure
With Your pow'r and love abide;
Welcome us, as You were welcomed,
To an endless Eastertide.

△4 Alleluia, alleluia! Oh, to breathe the Spirit's grace!
Alleluia, alleluia! Oh, to see the Father's face!
Alleluia, alleluia! Oh, to feel the Son's embrace!

(6:00) CHOIR: Holy Spirit, Living Breathing God

Be Seated

SERVICE OF THE WORD

First Reading ~ Old Testament Torah *Numbers 11:24–30*

²⁴Moses 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.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading ~ New Testament History *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? 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.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand, as able

Third Reading ~ Holy Gospel

John 7:37–39

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

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

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.**

Apostles' Creed

☩ 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 forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

Be Seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Sermon Hymn: Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest *LSB 498, sts. 1, 3, 7*

1 Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest,
And make our hearts Your place of rest;
Come with Your grace and heav'nly aid,
And fill the hearts which You have made.

3 In You, with graces sevenfold,
We God's almighty hand behold
While You with tongues of fire proclaim
To all the world His holy name.

△7 Praise we the Father and the Son
And Holy Spirit, with them One,
And may the Son on us bestow
The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

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SERMON ~ "Envy, Elders, and the Everyman" (Numbers 11:24–30)

THE GATHERING OF OUR GIFTS & WE CARE CARDS

Stand, as able

Offertory Hymn: Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings

LSB 782, sts. 1, ref, 2

1 Gracious God, You send great blessings
New each morning all our days.
For Your mercies never ending,
For Your love we offer praise. Refrain

ref Lord, we pray that we, Your people
Who Your gifts unnumbered claim,
Through the sharing of Your blessings
May bring glory to Your name.

2 By Your Word You formed creation
Filled with creatures large and small;
As we tend that endless treasure
May our care encircle all. Refrain

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Prayer Response

Each petition ends with the following prompt from the Pastor and response from the Congregation:

P Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer...** *After the final petition: Amen.*

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.**

Benedicamus

LSB 218

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Benediction

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.

C **Amen.**

Sending Hymn: Christ the Eternal Lord

LSB 829, sts. 4–5

4 Christ the unfading Light
Of everlasting day,
Our Morning Star in splendor bright,
The Life, the Truth, the Way;
That light of truth You give
To servants as to friends,
Your way to walk, Your life to live,
Till earth's brief journey ends.

5 Christ the ascended King
Exalted high above,
Whose praise unending ages sing,
Whom yet unseen we love;
When mortal life is past
Your voice from heaven's throne
Shall call Your children home at last
To know as we are known.

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Sending Instructions & Dismissal

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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