



THE FESTIVAL OF PENTECOST
God Pours Out His Spirit

May 28, 2023





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Worship at 8am and
10:30am

Bible Class and Youth
Sunday School at 9:15am

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Welcome to Victory!

- Thank you for choosing to worship the Triune God with us. May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you as we join together in worship!
- We prepare for worship by quietly meditating on the theme for the day and respectfully listening to the music chosen and prepared by our musicians.
- If you are looking for a church home, we would be thrilled to serve your spiritual needs. Our name comes from 1 Corinthians 15:57: **"Thanks be to God! He gives us the VICTORY through our Lord Jesus Christ!"**
- Our mission as a Christian congregation is to: **"Win souls for Christ and coach Christians for life."**
- Please sign the Connection Card inside your worship folder to give us a record of your visit, and so we can properly thank you for joining us!
- Restrooms are located in the hallway to the right as you enter the front doors. Changing tables are available in both the women's and men's restrooms.
- A Quiet Room for children who need a quiet moment with their caretaker is located on the right before entering the sanctuary.

TODAY'S WORSHIP:

Fifty days after the Passover, God's Old Testament people celebrated Pentecost (Greek for "fifty"). Pentecost commemorated the gathering of the harvest and was also used to remember the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai, the start of the church of Israel. Christ chose Pentecost to be the birthday of his New Testament Church too. By pouring out his Holy Spirit, Christ empowered the Church to gather in the great harvest of souls won by the Son.

Pentecost is the third great festival of the Church, along with the Nativity and the Resurrection. The early church fathers mention the Festival of Pentecost often enough to lead many to believe it was celebrated annually already at the time of the apostles. Pentecost closes the fifty-day period after Easter and ends the festival half of the church year. The Church dresses in red this day to remind us of the tongues of fire that marked the Spirit's gift, as well as the blood of the martyrs which was the seed of the Church.

UPCOMING SUNDAY SCHEDULE

May 28	The Festival of Pentecost
June 4	Holy Trinity Sunday/ Confirmation
June 11	The Festival of St. Barnabas, Apostle
June 18	Celebration of Life Sunday
June 25	The Festival of the Presentation of the Augsburg Confession

THE SERVICE: SETTING ONE

OPENING HYMN

O Holy Spirit, Enter In

Christian Worship 590



M: In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**C: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just
and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**C: Holy God, gracious Father,
I am sinful by nature
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.
I have not loved you with my whole heart;
I have not loved others as I should.
I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
with his innocent suffering and death.
Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

Silence for meditation and reflection

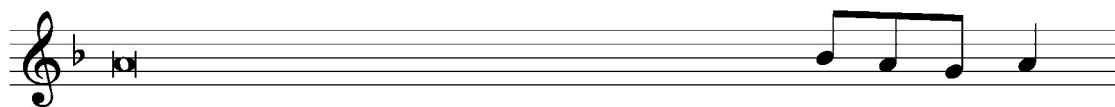
M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the \dagger Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*



In peace let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



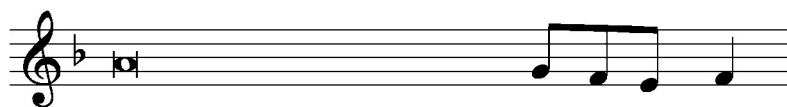
For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



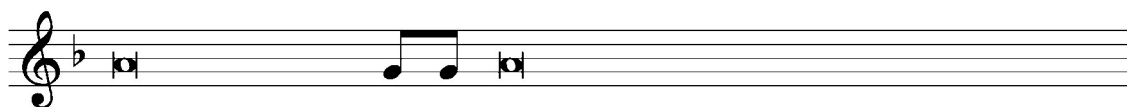
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



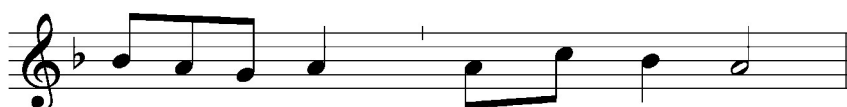
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.

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GLORY BE TO GOD *Gloria in Excelsis*



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,

God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;

have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.

You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.

For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE WORD

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

M: Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21

The Holy Spirit poured out at Pentecost

¹When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" ¹²Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

¹⁴Then 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. ¹⁵These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶No, 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.
¹⁸Even on my servants, both men and women,
 I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
 and they will prophesy.
¹⁹I will show wonders in the heavens above
 and signs on the earth below,
 blood and fire and billows of smoke.
²⁰The sun will be turned to darkness
 and the moon to blood
 before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.
²¹And everyone who calls
 on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Come, Holy Spirit

Christian Worship Psalter 104D

The congregation sings the refrains.

Pastor will sing the verses.

Refrain

Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, fill the hearts of your
 faith - ful peo - ple. Kin - dle in them the
 fire of your love. Al - le - lu - ia.

Verse

1 How man - y are your works, O Lord, in
wis - dom you made them all. The earth is wide and
full of your crea - tures; they look to you for food. *Refrain*

Verse

2 When you give them their food in due sea - son,
they gath - er it up. When you send forth your
Spir - it, you make them and you re-new the earth. *Refrain*

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SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:3-11

Different gifts, same Spirit

³Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, “Jesus be cursed,” and no one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

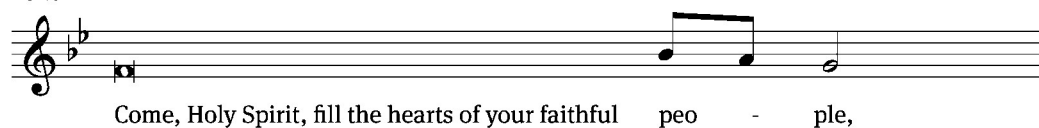
Antiphon for Pentecost



Refrain



Tone



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The Christian Church has used this Gospel antiphon on the day of Pentecost since the 11th century.

GOSPEL: John 7:37-39

Jesus promises the Spirit

³⁷On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. ³⁸Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." ³⁹By 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.

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

All children are invited to join Pastor Troy at the front of the sanctuary for a message based on today's sermon, specifically designed for them! If children would feel more comfortable, an adult is welcome to come up with them.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH (10:30am Service)

Children ages 3-5 can be dismissed to the 3K/Kitchen classroom for Children's Church. Children will return from Children's Church to the sanctuary after the conclusion of the sermon.



HYMN OF THE DAY

God's Holy Spirit Came

Christian Worship 479

SERMON.....Pastor Troy Schreiner

Text: 1 Corinthians 12:3-11

Unity, Diversity, Unity

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there 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.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M: Eternal God and Father, we thank you for the blessings we share as members of your holy Church, for your gracious Word and sacraments, for opportunities to worship and to grow in faith and knowledge, for occasions to serve and be served, and for fellowship with believers in our congregation and our synod.

C: Help us rejoice in these blessings, dear Lord, and use them faithfully.



M: Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church, you give grace to your people by calling us to be your witnesses in the world. Open our eyes to see the great and noble mission that lies before us. In the hurting eyes of the lonely, in the pained eyes of the sick, and in the searching eyes of the lost, help us to see your face, Lord Jesus, and to serve others as we would serve you.

C: Awaken us to opportunities to proclaim your message of love.

M: Holy Spirit, giver of life, through Word and sacrament bestow on us the wisdom and power we need to witness clearly and to act boldly. Help us to speak the truth in love, to give the reason for the hope we have, and to conduct ourselves with gentleness and respect.

C: Set our hearts on fire as we work and witness for Christ.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we pray for a family member, a neighbor, or a friend who does not believe in you, or whose faith is weak or troubled.

Silent prayer

M: Keep in your care those who are enduring chronic pain and incessant unhappiness, those enduring rejection and struggling with poverty, those mourning the loss of someone they loved. Bring healing and help and comfort and calm to everyone in distress.

C: Move us to act alone or join with others to provide help and support.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow

M: Bless the Church with men and women who are willing to proclaim your Word in places where we cannot go. Keep them and their loved ones in your care and let nothing hinder their work. By the power of the gospel, restore their spirits each day, so that they do not lose heart as they serve us and others.

C: Move us to support them with our sincere prayers and generous offerings.

M: Wherever your Word is proclaimed, O Lord, grant it success. Let your kingdom come to us and others, so that we and many more might join the assembly of saints and angels to sing your praise forever.

C: Savior of all, hear our prayer and help us in our mission. Amen.

OFFERING

Guests: This is the moment in our worship when members and friends of Victory Lutheran respond to God's good news with gifts to support his saving work in the Jacksonville community and beyond. If you are our guest today, you are welcome to participate in this offering, but don't feel forced to! You can also give an online thank offering by using the camera on your smartphone to scan the QR code.

Please also fill out the Connection Card found inside your worship folder, and drop it in the offering plate, or in the basket on the back table.



M: Blessed Lord, you have give us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

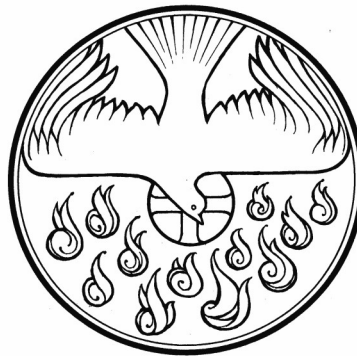
Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

Christian Worship 592

(10:30AM) RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE PROMISES

George and Vicki Johnston

40th Wedding Anniversary



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Organist..... Ms. Anne Marquardt

VBS MATERIALS & DONATIONS

PLEASE BE SURE TO LABEL ANY MATERIALS YOU WANT RETURNED.

*CONSUMABLE ITEM; UNABLE TO BE RETURNED

FOR DECORATIONS & BACKDROP

- COLORFUL POOL NOODLES (MANY ARE NEEDED)*
- 2 PLASTIC KIDDY POOLS
- CLEAN FISHING NETS & POLES
- INFLATABLE POOL FLOATIES & BEACH BALLS
- LIFEGUARD LIFESAVER
- BLUE & GREEN CREPE PAPER*
- WOOD PALLETS (TO MAKE A "DOCK")
- 2 BEACH CHAIRS
- SEASHELLS & STARFISH



FOR OUTDOOR GAMES

- 10 HULA HOOPS
- WATER BALLOONS*
- NEWSPAPERS*
- 15 LARGE BOXES
- 4 PLASTIC SERVING TRAYS
- LARGE TREASURE CHEST
- COSTUME CROWNS, PLASTIC JEWELS, & COINS

FOR SNACKS

- 500 SMALL PAPER PLATES*
- 500 NAPKINS OR PAPER TOWELS*
- 500 PLASTIC CUPS*
- HAND SANITIZER*
- DISINFECTING WIPES*
- BABY WIPES*

FOR BIBLE CHALLENGE / SCIENCE

- FOOD COLORING (MULTI PACK)
- ANTACID TABLETS
- HANDFUL OF TARNISHED PENNIES*
- HYDROGEN PEROXIDE (6%)
- WHITE VINEGAR
- LEMON JUICE
- 1 BOX OF BENDY STRAWS*





MY WORSHIP NOTES



For children to use during worship.

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

What is the name of the church season or special day today? _____

What is the color of the church today? Circle one:

Blue White Purple Red Green

The Sermon Text Was: _____

This is in the: ☐ Old Testament ☐ New Testament



What was the sermon about? _____



My favorite song today was:



Did we have a Sacrament today?



Baptism?

☐ Yes

☐ No



Communion?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Draw a picture of something you heard or saw today:

What did you learn about God today?

Sermon Notes



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