# PENTECOST

# May 20 & 23, 2021



# Our Savior Ev. Lutheran Church

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# The Coming of the Holy Spirit

### The Day of Pentecost

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Ten days after Jesus ascended to heaven, God sent the promised Holy Spirit. This day called Pentecost marked the birthday of the New Testament Church and celebrates the harvest of souls won by the Son and gathered by his servants empowered by his Spirit. Proceeding from God the Father and from Jesus Christ his Son, the Holy Spirit floods the lives of God's people with many gracious gifts. With thankful hearts we praise him on this festival day.

**HYMN** "Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving Spirit" (p.8)

CW, # 181:1-3

#### INVOCATION

- **P:** Come, Holy Spirit! Fill the hearts of your faithful people.
- C: And kindle in us the fire of your love.
- **P:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen. (spoken)

#### CONFESSION OF SINS +++ ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

- **P:** Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.
- C: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge.

Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. (Psalm 51)

- **P:** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. By the death and resurrection of God's own Son, Jesus Christ, death has been swallowed up forever. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

  Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.

  Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

"Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving Spirit"

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CW, # 181:4-5

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gifts 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. (spoken)

#### FIRST LESSON EZEKIEL 37:1-14

The breath of God is active and life-giving. Ezekiel preaches only what God told him to preach, even when preaching to dry bones. The whole of humanity is nothing but dry bones until God breathes his Word on them. He breathed at creation and brought all things into existence. He breathes in the gospel and conquered our spiritual death, bringing us to Jesus and Jesus to us. On the last day he will breathe again and wake all the dead and take us to be with God in heaven forever.

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" I said, "O Sovereign LORD, you alone know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! This is what the Sovereign LORD says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the LORD."" So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe into these slain, that they may live." So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army. Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' Therefore prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: O my people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you, my people, will know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the LORD have spoken, and I have done it, declares the LORD.""

**HYMN** "O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God"

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*CW,* # 186:1-2

#### SECOND LESSON ACTS 2:1-21

The Spirit's real work and glory is bringing us to trust in Jesus for our salvation. Fear is gone and replaced with joyful confidence wrought by the Spirit in the gospel. Therefore, breathe on us, O Breath of God, that we may see Jesus and long for his coming again; pour on us your Spirit that we may be faithful to the Word he speaks while we wait.

When the day of Pentecost came, (the apostles) were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. Utterly amazed, they asked: "Are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?" Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine." Then 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. These men are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: "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. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

**HYMN** "O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God" (p.9) *CW*, # 186:3-4

#### **GOSPEL** JOHN 14:23-27

The Spirit comes forth from the Father and the Son. He is the breath of God whose holy work makes us holy by teaching us his Word and thus bringing Christ to us and us to Christ. In revealing Christ he brings forgiveness and eternal life, all that Christ has won for us. When he reminds us of what Christ said and did for us, Christ comes to impart peace with God and with our own conscience.

Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. He who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. "All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

#### **RESPONSE**

- **P:** The Gospel of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God! (spoken)

#### **SERMON** John 14:23-27

Jesus' Assurance for Those Who Love His Word

- He and the Father will dwell in them.
- The Father will send the Holy Spirit in Jesus' name.

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• The peace of Jesus will calm their hearts.

#### **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.

#### **OFFERING**

Online or in the entryway. Guests please do not feel any obligation to participate in the offering (though you are always welcome to do so). Please fill out a Guest Card located in the entryway, and drop it in the box on the Welcome Center so we can connect with you – thanks!

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH +++ The Day of Pentecost

**P:** Praise to you, Holy Spirit. We worship and glorify you as the Lord and the Giver of life. As you were present at the beginning of the world to pour life into all created things and as you gave a new life of courage and understanding to the disciples in your Pentecost baptism of fire, so also by the baptism of water with the Word you have made each of us alive in Christ. You have made the light of faith shine in our hearts to know Jesus as our Lord. In thanksgiving for your gifts to us, we confess:

- ALL: I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him. But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.
- P: Holy Spirit, all-seeing Counselor and fountain of all spiritual gifts, stand by us in the weakness of our sinful flesh. Grant us a correct understanding of the truths that Jesus taught. Give us strength to endure with patience whatever afflictions God may send into our lives. Help us, intercede for us, train us that we may pray to the Father with boldness and confidence. Preserve us by the power of your Word in the most holy faith as members of the Church, the body of Christ, where there is forgiveness for all.

#### ALL: In this Christian Church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.

P: Holy Spirit, highest Comfort in every need, in these last days of the world strengthen our feeble hands, steady our weak knees, encourage our fearful hearts. Remind us of your Word and promises: "Be strong; do not fear. Your Lord will come again. He will come to save you." And in your final mighty creative act, Holy Spirit, raise up our bodies so that we, together with all the saints, may lift up our heads and with glorified eyes see our Savior drawing near.

# ALL: On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

**P:** Holy Spirit, be with us as we live and testify for Christ our Savior, so that many more people can join us rejoicing before your throne.

## Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

**P:** Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

#### SILENT PRAYER

- **P:** May all honor and glory be yours, O Lord.
- C: In the name of the Head of the Church, our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray. 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.

**HYMN** "Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest" (p.11) CW, # 177:1-3

#### **PRAYER**

- **P:** Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: Amen. (spoken)

#### **BENEDICTION**

**P:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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



HYMN

"Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest"

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CW, # 177:4-6



# Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving Spirit

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Text: Heinrich Held, 1620-59, abr.; tr. Charles W. Schaeffer, 1813-96, alt. Tune: Neu-vermehrtes... Gesangbuch, 3rd ed., Meiningen, 1693, alt.

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# O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God

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Text: Johann Niedling, 1602-68, abr., adapt.; tr. John C. Mattes, 1876-1948, alt. Tune: Ausserlesene, Catholische, Geistliche Kirchengesäng, Köln, 1623, alt.

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Alternate setting: 366



Text: attr. Rhabanus Maurus, 776-856, abr.; tr. John Dryden, 1631-1700, alt. Tune: Gesangbuch . . . Psalmen, Geistliche Lieder, Strassburg, 1541, alt.

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# Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest



- 5 Teach us to know the Father, Son, And you, from both, as Three in One That we your name may ever bless And in our lives the truth confess.
- 6 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!

# THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (5/23) 8:00 AM **Worship Service** 9:15 AM Adult Bible Class 10:30 AM **Worship Service** 11:45 AM **Voters' Meeting** Tuesday 10:30 AM Senior Bible Study Farewell Gathering Wednesday 8:30 AM Children's Chapel **Public School Confirmation Class** 4:00 PM 8:30 PM Men's Softball Game Thursday 7:00 PM **OSLS Graduation Worship Service** Sunday (5/30) 8:00 AM **Worship Service** 9:15 AM **Adult Bible Class** 10:30 AM **Worship Service** 

Next Week's Readings

First Lesson Isaiah 6:1-8
Second Lesson Romans 8:14-17
Gospel John 3:1-17
Psalm Psalm 150

LiveStream on Youtube Channel at 10:30am every Sunday This service is also recorded for review after livestream. Link on our website (see below).

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HYMNS: 181:1-3, 181:4-5, 186:1-2, 186:3-4, 188, 177:1-3, 177:4-6

# FIRST LESSON:

Ezekiel 37:1-14

#### **SECOND LESSON:**

Acts 2:1-21

### **GOSPEL LESSON:**

John 14:25-27

#### **THE SERMON:**

John 14:25-27

Jesus' Assurance for Those Who Love His Word

#### **F**LOWERS

THE FLOWERS THIS WEEK
ARE FROM
LES & GOLDIE KISSEL
IN CELEBRATION OF THEIR
60<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY