**St. John’s & St. Peter’s**

## Pentecost Sunday

## ~ June 8, 2025 ~

**Gathering**

 **Prelude**

 **Welcome & Announcements**

**\* Confession & Forgiveness** WOV pg. 10

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

 ***C: Amen.***

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

 ***C: Amen.***

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

 P: Gracious God,

***C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

P: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins, through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

 ***C: Amen.***

***\** Entrance Hymn *“O Day Full of Grace” vs. 1-4*** ELW #627

 Vs.1 Oh day full of grace that now we see appearing on

 earth’s horizon, bring light from our God that we may

 be abundant in his joy this season. God, shine for us

 now in this dark place; your name on our hearts emblazon.

 Vs. 2 O day full of grace, O blessed time, our Lord on

 the earth arriving; then came to the world that light sub-

 lime, great joy for us all retrieving; for Jesus all

 mortals did embrace, all shame and despair removing.

 Vs. 3 For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, when he on the

 cross was hanging; and then he arose and moved the

 stone, that we, unto him belonging, might join with an-

 gelic hosts to raise our voices in endless singing.

 Vs. 4 God came to us then at Pentecost, the Spirit new

 life revealing, that we might no more in death be

 lost, its pow’r over us dispelling. This flame will the

 mark of sin efface and bring to us all true healing.

 **Greeting** *WOV pg. 28*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

 ***C: And also with you.***

**\* Kyrie***WOV pg. 28*

 P: Kyrie eleison:

 ***C: Lord, have mercy.***

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 P: Kyrie eleison:

 ***C: Lord, have mercy.***

**\* Hymn of Praise** *WOV pg.29*

 Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

 Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

 Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

 Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

 Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

 Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone

are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

 Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

 Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God’s people on earth,

 And peace to God’s people on earth.

**\* Prayer of the Day**

 P: God our creator,

***C: the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.***

**Word**

**First Reading: Acts 2:1-21**

*Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, amid signs of fire, wind and a variety of languages, the people were amazed and astonished at Jesus’ promise coming true.*

1When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 2And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. 4All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

5Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. 7Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9Parthians, Medes, 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, both Jews and proselytes, 11Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." 12All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 13But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

14But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. 15Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. 16No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

17'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon 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 upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

19And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

20The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

21Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

**Psalm 104:24-34, 35b**

24How manifold are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**25Yonder is the sea, great and wide,** **with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.**

26There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

**27All of them look to you to give them their food in due season. Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.**

28You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

**29When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

30You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

**31May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works. Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.**

32You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

**33I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.**

34May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.

**35bBless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah! Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.**

**Second Reading**: **Romans 8:14-17**

*Here Paul speaks about the mystery of baptism, through the Holy Spirit we are claimed, gathered and welcomed into Christ’s body, the church. And we receive a new name in our adoption: child of God.*

14For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" 16it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

**\* Gospel Acclamation** *WOV pg. 31*

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

**\* Gospel**: **John 14:8-17, 25-27**

*Though the disciples struggle with Jesus’ nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God’s mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promised the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.*

8Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." 9Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? 10Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. 12Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

15If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. 17This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

25I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

**Sermon**

 **Hymn of the Day “Spirit of Gentleness”** ELW #396

***Refrain: Spirit, spirit of gentleness blow through the wilderness***

 ***calling and free; Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,***

 ***stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.***

Vs. 1 You moved on the waters, you called from the deep,

 then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;

 and over the eons you called to each thing,

 “Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings”. ***Refrain***

Vs. 2 You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,

 and you goaded your people with a law and a land;

 and when they were blinded with their idols and lies,

 then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. ***Refrain***

Vs. 3 You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,

 then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still,

 and down in the city you called once again,

 when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. ***Refrain***

Vs. 4 You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.

 From the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams;

 our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.

 With bold new decisions your people arise. ***Refrain***

\* **Apostles’ Creed** *WOV pg. 33* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

 I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 bur ied; he descended into hell.

 On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,

 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

 I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

 the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

 the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\* The Prayers**

  ***Lord, listen to your children praying,*** *WOV #775*

***Lord, send your Spirit in this place;***

***Lord, listen to your children praying,***

***Send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.***

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world and all who are in need.

We pray for the church. Continue to inspire our sharing of the gospel and equip us to tear down the barriers we have erected. Make our welcome expansive, intentional and open to loving challenge. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for creation. Allow fire to burn safely in our habitats where it’s needed and quench flames when they threaten to run wild. Protect forests, prairies and grasslands from destruction by natural forces or human misdeeds. Safeguard firefighters and rescuers in their dangerous work. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for our courts and legislatures. Write your commandments on our hearts and inspire all who govern to lead with love over retribution. United judges, lawyers and systems of justice in a desire for reconciliation. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for the sick in body, mind or spirit especially

Lift up all who have been bowed low by circumstances or internal strife. Bring to wholeness those who cry out to you in need. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for this congregation. Raise up in us a deep desire to live out our baptismal promises and to support those of all ages in our shared journey of faith. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We offer thanks for the faithful departed who now rest in you. Let their lives encourage our own daily living. Console us with the promise of eternal life. **Your mercy is great.**

We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior. **Amen.**

 ***Lord, listen to your children praying,***

***Lord, send your Spirit in this place;***

***Lord, listen to your children praying,***

***Send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.***

**Meal**

 **Peace**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

 ***C: And also with you.***

**\* Offering *“Let the vineyards”*** *WOV pg. 35*

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of

 blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,

 that we may be fed with the bread of life.

 Gather the hopes and dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we

 offer now. Grace our table with your presence, Lord,

 and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

**\* Offering Prayer**

P: Merciful God,

***C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given to us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**\* Great Thanksgiving** *WOV pg. 36*P: The Lord be with you.

 ***C: And also with you.***

 P: Lift up your hearts.

 ***C: We lift them to the Lord.***

 P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

 ***C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

**\* Words of Institution** *WOV pg. 36*

 P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

***C: Amen.***

**\* Lord’s Prayer** *WOV pg. 39*

***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.***

 **Communion Distribution**

**\*Communion Blessing**

 P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep

 you in his grace.

 ***C: Amen.***

**\* Canticle** *WOV Pg. 40*

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell every-

one what God has done. Let all who seek the

Lord rejoice and bear Christ’s holy name.

Send us with your promises, O God,

and lead us forth in joy with shouts

Of thanksgiving. Alleluia.

**\* Prayer** WOV Pg. 41

P:Let us pray. Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

***C: Amen.***

 **Sending**

**\* Blessing** WOV Pg. 41

 P: Almighty God, Father + Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

 **C: Amen.**

**\* Sending Hymn “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”** ELW #545

Vs. 1 Lord, dismiss us with your blessing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh, refresh us; oh, refresh us, trav'ling through this wilderness.

Vs. 2 Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound.
 May the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.
 Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.

Vs. 3 Savior, when your love shall call us from our struggling pilgrim way,
 let no fear of death appall us, glad your summons to obey.
 May we ever, may we ever reign with you in endless day.

**\* Dismissal**

 L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

 ***C: We will! Thanks be to God!***