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Day of Pentecost



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MISSION STATEMENT

We will LIVE and SERVE through FAITH

we will ACT with LOVE and KINDNESS

we will GIVE hope and SUPPORT to all.

Hearing Assistance is available during the service.
Please notify usher if you would like assistance

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INTRODUCTION

Today's festival derives its name from the Jewish festival of Pentecost, observed fifty days after Passover. On the fiftieth day of Easter we celebrate the Holy Spirit as the power of God among us that heals, forgives, inspires, and unites. In the reading from Acts, images of wind and fire describe the Spirit poured out on disciples of all nations. In John's gospel the risen Christ breathes the Spirit on his followers on Easter evening. In the one Spirit we are baptized into one body, and at the Lord's table the Spirit unites us for witness in the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: "O Day Full of Grace" ELW #627

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.

Amen.

Let us come into the light, the revealing and healing light of God.

Silence is kept for reflection

God of grace and glory,

you have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus' resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us alive in Christ, O God. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

Rejoice with all creation around God's throne! The light of the risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin, restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, brings peace, and humbles earthly pride. Jesus Christ loves you and ✚ frees you from your sins by his blood. To him be glory and dominion forever and ever!

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM: “I Lift My Heart”

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21

Pentecost was a Jewish harvest festival that marked the fiftieth day after Passover. Luke portrays the Holy Spirit being poured out upon the disciples before the gathered and astonished people assembled in Jerusalem for the festival. Filled with the Spirit, the disciples were able to witness to the power of Christ’s resurrection.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] 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.’ ”

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth. (Ps. 104:30)

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

²⁵**Yonder 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.

²⁷**All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.**

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

²⁹**When 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.

³¹**May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**

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

³³**I 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.

^{35b}**Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Paul is helping the Corinthians understand the relationship between our God-given unity and Spirit-created diversity. The Spirit creates the unity of faith and gives all Christians diverse gifts for the common benefit of all. We need one another's diverse spiritual gifts, because the same Spirit has given them to each person for the common good.

^{3b}No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL: John 20:19-23

Glory to you, O Lord

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

SERMON: “Lutheran Partner in Global Ministry”

HYMN OF THE DAY: “Here I Am Lord” **ELW #574**

Prayers of Intercession

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

Rejoicing in the risen life of Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church. Inspire us with your Spirit. Unite us in your love. Raise up faithful leaders from among our youth and our elders to guide your church throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the earth. For city parks and wildlife refuges. For community gardens, farms, and ranches. For agricultural workers, seafood harvesters, and subsistence farmers. Nourish the earth with seasonable weather and adequate rainfall. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For the nations. For people of every land and language. End violence, warfare, and ethnic strife. Lead us from fear to friendship, from injustice to equality, from oppression to freedom. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For those in need. For those who are neglected or abused. For the unemployed. For those who struggle with addiction. For those nearing death, those who grieve, and all who are ill (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

For this assembly. For those who work with children. For those discerning a call to ministry. For all the baptized and those who have newly affirmed their baptism. For visitors, new members, and those who are absent from us today. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died (*especially*). Inspire us by their witness and bring us to the fullness of your promise of resurrection and eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Joining our voices with your faithful ones in every time and place, we offer our prayers in the name of the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Offering Prayer

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world.

Amen.

APOSTLE'S CREED

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 buried; 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.

LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

BLESSING

May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING HYMN: "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" ELW #579

Visitors! It has been great having you join us for worship! Please come again.

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Music: Adult Choir & Digital Organ Greeters: Keith & Dawn Kellen
Ushers: 8:30am Chuck & Elsa Carlson 10:00am Marilyn Andrews
Lectors: 8:30am Judy Seifert 10:00am Judy Seifert
Hospitality Hosts: Jack & Paula Spetz, Don & Donna Myhre

Thank you for your service!

Response to God's Word Last Week

Attendance: May 28, 2017: 8:30am: 70 10:00am: 32

THIS WEEK AT BETHESDA

June 5 through June 11, 2017

Monday	6/5	1:00 pm	Double Deck Pinochle
		7:00 pm	AA/Alanon
Tuesday	6/6	9:00 am	Crafters
		10-12 am	Pastor's text study
		3:30 pm	Adult Bible Study
Wednesday	6/7	8:30am	Women's Bible Study
		9:30 am	Stitchers
		1:00 pm	Stewardship Meeting
		6:00 pm	Choir
		7:00 pm	Praise Team
Thursday	6/8	8:00am	ROMEOS
		11:00 am	Lloyd Lilienthal Memorial Service
		No Funtimers	
		6:00 pm	Bells
Friday	6/9	10:00 am	Bone Builders
Sunday	6/11	8:30 am	Worship
		10:00 am	Worship

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Refrain

SPIRITUA:

D G D Bm/A

Ev - 'ry time I feel the Spir - it mov - ing in my heart

Fine

1. D 2. D Bm D

I will pray; I will pray.

1. Up - on the moun-tain
Looked all a - round me,
2. Oh, I have sor - rows
But my God leads me,

Bm D Bm D A7 D Refrain

when my Lord spoke, Out of His mouth came fire and smoke;
It looked so fine, I asked my Lord if all were mine.
and I have woe And I have heart-aches here be - low;
I'm in His care, And I can feel Him ev - 'ry - where.

EVERY TIME I SEE A ROSE BUD*

Lyrics: Terry Frovik

**Sung to the tune of "Every Time I feel the Spirit"*

CHORUS: Every time I see a rose bud
Blooming in my yard,
I will pray, oh (repeat)

1. Out of a seedling, so small and plain,
With just a little love and rain,
God made a rose bush to help us see
That there is beauty in you and me.

CHORUS

2. Some buds are touchy, they stand a loof,
But just be patient, they'll not refuse.
A rose bud's fragrance, it is so sweet,
So is my Lord's call, I'm at His feet.

CHORUS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENDANCE REGISTRY Please sign and pass the attendance registry which you will find in the pew. This is a new process we are trying. This will replace the green cards. Information will be gathered for Evangelism.

COFFEE SERVERS NEEDED Signup sheets are to the left of the serving window by the kitchen. Please check it out and take your turn. There will always be someone to help you with making coffee and running the dishwasher.

OUTDOOR SERVICE The Bethesda Praise Choir will be doing their outdoor garden service on Sunday, June 11th at the 8:30 & 10:00 services. **Please bring your own lawn chair** and dress accordingly for the weather. Our hope is that you come and worship with us out in God's sanctuary!!!

ISLE & MALMO LIONS have organized a Free Community Picnic for Wednesday, June 21st at 5:00 pm for the meal. Activities will include kid games, informational booths and demonstrations (K9 unit, squad car, fire truck, snowmobile groomer, Mounted Police, etc). Music at 6:00 pm from Bethesda Choir, Bible School Students, Praise Choir and more.

LAWN MOWING the list is in the Narthex – Please pick a week to mow. Thank you.

VEGGIE STAND The next time the Veggie stand opens is on July 1st and every Saturday until Labor Day. Donations of baked goods: pies, cookies, bars, breads, etc. are always welcome. The stand opens at 7:30 am. Hope to see you there bright and early. All proceeds go to the Benevolence fund. Let's make this a wonderful year. Any questions please contact Elsa Carlson: home 218-678-3408 cell 218-251-4551

NEEDS A RIDE Lynn Hass was wondering if anyone is available to pick her up for Sunday services. She resides at Lake Song assisted living in Onamia. Call the church office if you can help out.

MEMORIAL SERVICE for Lloyd Lilienthal on Thursday, June 8th at 11:00am at Bethesda Lutheran Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

VBS MISSION PROJECT Each child attending VBS will be packing a shoebox for Samaritan Purse's Operation Christmas Child. Items needed include washcloths, bar soap, combs, toothbrushes, jewelry/hair fasteners, t-shirts, hats, socks, dolls, balls, cars, jump ropes, crayons, colored pencils, pencils/sharpeners, erasers, pens, scissors, small notebooks, construction paper, solar calculators or other small gifts. No liquids, toothpaste or candy. We have enough stuffed animals, but need empty shoeboxes. Items can be brought to the box in the Fellowship Hall.

BLESSING BOX for the months of June, July & August the contributions to the Blessing box will be used for local benevolence. These funds will be going to: Camp Onomia, BLCM Emergency Fund, Christmas Joy, Aitkin Social Services, and True Friends Camp in McGregor. If you have somehow been blessed this past month, please consider giving to the Blessing Box today to help out your neighbors who may not be as fortunate as you.

NOTICE! You can help! Please consider picking up a slip from bulletin board in entry and making a purchase to support the Vacation Bible School program. No time to shop?? Cash works!! Thank You!

FOOT CLINIC our next Foot Clinic will be on Saturday, July 8th from 1:00-4:00pm. Call the church office at 320 684-2123 (between 11-3, Monday-Friday) to schedule your appointment. Walk ins welcome after 2:30pm.

