

# The Festival of Pentecost

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Liturgy: TLH p. 5

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## ✠ Opening Prayer ✠

Hymn: TLH #227

“Come, Holy Ghost, in Love”

**P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** ♪ **Amen.**

**P** Pastor

### **Confession of Our Sins**

**C** **Congregation**

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*We come before God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.*

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**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 Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

**P** Almighty God our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto Thee that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against Thee by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Thine infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Thy grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C** **O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Absolution from Our God**

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*“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)*

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**P** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hath had mercy upon us and hath given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To them that believe on His name He giveth power to become the children of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord unto us all.

**C** ♪ **Amen.**

## The Introit

Ps. 68:1ff; Liturgical Text

*A collection of passages that set the tone for the service.*

- P** The Spirit of the Lord fills the world. Alleluia. The righteous shall be glad.
- G** **They shall exult before God; they shall be jubilant with joy! Alleluia.**
- P** God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered; and those who hate him shall flee before him!
- G** **Sing to God, sing praises to his name; exult before him!**
- P** The Lord gives the word; behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.
- G** **Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people.**

## The Gloria Patri

TLH #236:4

*Latin for "Glory be to the Father."*

- G** ♪ **Immortal honor, endless fame,  
Attend the almighty Father's name;  
The Savior Son be glorified,  
Who for lost man's redemption died;  
And equal adoration be, Eternal Paraclete, to Thee.**

## The Salutation

- P** The Lord be with you.
- G** ♪ **And with thy spirit.**

## The Collect Prayer of the Day

- P** 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.
- G** ♪ **Amen.**



PENTECOST

**P** The Holy Gospel is written in the fourteenth chapter of St. John, beginning at the twenty-third verse:

**G** ♪ *Glory be to Thee, O Lord!*



### **John 14:23-31**

Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me. <sup>25</sup> "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup> You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. <sup>30</sup> I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, <sup>31</sup> but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.

**P** Here ends the Gospel.

**G** ♪ *Praise be to Thee, O Christ!*



### **Acts 2:1-21**

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit

gave them utterance. <sup>5</sup> Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup> And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own



**They were all filled with  
the Holy Spirit ...**

*Acts 2:4, ESV*

native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup> both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians-- we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." <sup>12</sup> And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine." <sup>14</sup> But 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. <sup>15</sup> For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup> But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup> "'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; <sup>18</sup> even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup> And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; <sup>20</sup> the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. <sup>21</sup> And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

**I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength 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 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. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all sins to me and all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead and give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.**

**Hymn: TLH #224**

*"Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord!"*



### **Genesis 11:1-9**

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. <sup>2</sup> And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. <sup>3</sup> And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. <sup>4</sup> Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." <sup>5</sup> And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. <sup>6</sup> And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. <sup>7</sup> Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." <sup>8</sup> So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. <sup>9</sup> Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

### **God Comes Down**

To Undo Babel and Unite All Nations *in Christ*

## The Offertory

TLH #230

**☩** *♫ Holy Spirit, God of Love, Who our night dost brighten,  
Poured on us from heav'n above, Now our faith enlighten.  
In Thy light we gather here; Show us that Christ's promise clear  
Is Amen forever. Jesus, our ascended Lord,  
Oh, fulfil Thy gracious Word: Bless us with Thy favor!*

✠ The Offering of Thankful Hearts ✠

Hymn: WS #739

"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"

✠ The General Prayer & The Lord's Prayer ✠

## The Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

*The blessing given by God for His people.*

**P** The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you His peace.

**☩** *♫ Amen, amen, a – men.*

Hymn: WS #740

"Holy Spirit, End Our Sadness"

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**Family Bible Class** today will be on the James Webb Telescope and what the Bible predicted it would find at the edge of the visible universe. Feel free to stay for the study!

**The Special Voters Meeting** will resume after the service this morning for the purpose of calling part-time teaching help. Voters, please be sure to stick around for this meeting.

**Ladies' Aid** will meet this Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm. If you are bringing a dish to share, this is a salad luncheon. All the ladies of the congregation are invited!

**Ladies Night Out** – Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at Snappers in Okoboji. The sign-up sheet is in the entryway.

**A Special Voters Meeting** will be held after the service for the purpose of calling part-time teaching help.

**VBS** is scheduled for July 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. We will be in need of many volunteers. Please consider volunteering your time to this important work of the church. There are many roles to fill, including teaching, crafts, copying/printing, games, music. If you are able to serve, please sign-up on the sheets in the entry. If you have any questions, please speak with VBS Superintendent Kassie Voit or Pastor Rodebaugh. Thank you!

**Summer Parades** – Our church will have a float in several parades again this summer. There is a labeled box in the entryway for donations to be put toward candy for the parades. Thank you for any donations!

**Subscription Renewals** – If you are subscribed to *Daily Rest* or *The Lutheran Spokesman*, it's time to renew for another year. We will send a check to renew everyone in the congregation, but if you are able to offset that payment in your offerings, we'd ask you to do so. The annual price for a subscription is \$15 for *Daily Rest* and \$20 for *The Lutheran Spokesman*. If you'd like to cancel your subscription or start a new one, speak to Pastor.

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<b>Ushers</b>	6/8	Phil S, Nathan V, Anthony F, Daniel R.
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	Up Next – The Ruthenbecks	