

THE DAY OF PENTECOST

“Peace I leave with you”

May 18 & 19, 2013

AS WE GATHER

Veni, Creator Spiritus! (Come, Creator Spirit!) This ancient prayer of the Church ascends to God every Lord's Day as the people of the Triune God call upon Him for a renewal of Pentecost. In answer, the promised Holy Spirit descends to us through the Word and Sacraments, pointing us to Christ Jesus and continuing His earthly ministry of delivering, healing, and saving. The confusion of language at Babel is undone (*Genesis 11:9*), men and women speak as one in praise and honor of the Son. Glory to the Triune God, Spirit, Father, and the Son, Holy Three, Eternal One!

WELCOME

“They devoted themselves to the Apostles’ teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.” Acts 2:42

HANDSHAKES & HUGS

+ PREPARATION +

(Please rise and face the processional cross at the back of the church)

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: Veni, Creator Spiritus!

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Pastor: Hear my prayer, O LORD;

People: give ear to my pleas for mercy! *Psalm 143:1*

Pastor: In your faithfulness answer me,

People: in your righteousness! *Psalm 143:1*

Pastor: Veni, Creator Spiritus!

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #503 “O Day Full of Grace”

O day full of grace that now we see Appearing on earth’s horizon,
Bring light from our god that we may be Replete in His joy this season.
God sine for us now in this dark place; Your name on our hearts emblazon.

O day full of grace, O blessed time, Our Lord on the earth arriving;
Then came to the world that light sublime, Great joy for us all retrieving;
For Jesus all mortals did embrace, All darkness and shame removing.

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 angelic hosts to raise Our voices in endless singing.

God came to us then at Pentecost, His Spirit new life revealing,
That we might no more from Him be lost, All darkness for us dispelling.
His flame will the mark of sin efface And bring to us all His healing.

When we on that final journey go That Christ is for us preparing,
We’ll gather in song, our hearts aglow, All joy of the heavens sharing,
And walk in the light of God’s own place, With angels His name adoring.

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: When the Spirit comes, He will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment. Let us confess our sins before God, the Holy Trinity.

People: Holy God, we acknowledge and name our sin before you. We are sinners by nature inherited from our parents; therefore, we commit actual sins of action and also of negligence. For all our sins we deserve nothing but punishment. Yet, for the sake of the holy precious blood and innocent suffering and death of our Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us; forgive us our sins; and lead us to walk in the way of holiness by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: God has heard your confession and has had mercy on you for Jesus' sake. God loves you so much that He has given His Son to die for you and in Christ grants you full forgiveness and everlasting life. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Gloria in Excelsis”

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To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus’ birth!
We praise and bless you, Father; Your holy name, we sing
Our thanks for your great glory, Lord God, our Heav’nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten, The Father’s Son, we pray;
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,
Where You in pow’r are seated At God’s right hand on high.

For You alone are holy; You only are the Lord.
Forever and forever, Be worshipped and adored;
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High.
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. 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.

People: Amen.

(Be seated)

8:00 BAPTISM of Maxwell Thomas Simon-Turckes *Page 268*
(Please refrain from taking photograph's during the worship service)

+ WORD +

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 11:1-9 (*There the LORD confused the language. . .*)

Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. As men moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there. They said to each other, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves and not be scattered over the face of the whole earth." But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the men were building. The LORD said, "If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other." So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

SECOND READING Acts 2:1-21 (*The Coming of the Holy Spirit*)

When the day of Pentecost came, they 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.'

8:00 ANTHEM

"Here I Am Lord"

Choir

(Rise)

HOLY GOSPEL John 14:23-31 (*Peace I leave with you.*)

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. "You heard me say, 'I am going away and I am coming back to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe. I will not speak with you much longer, for the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold on me, but the world must learn that I love the Father and that I do exactly what my Father has commanded me. "Come now; let us leave.

(Be seated)

5:00 & 8:00 CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN #861

"Christ Be My Leader"

Christ be my Leader by night as by day; Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.
Gladly I follow, my future His care, Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.

Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth, Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.
Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.

Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife; Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain
Can touch my salvation; with Jesus I reign.

SERMON **“Loving Jesus and Listening to His Spirit”** *John 14:23-31*

(Rise)

5:00 APOSTLES’ CREED (*Inside back cover of the hymnal*)

(Be seated)

OFFERING As your offering is collected, please sign our attendance book located at the end of the pew. If you are a visitor, please leave your address and phone. After you are finished, please pass the book along to others in your pew, and return the book to the center aisle.

10:30 RITE OF CONFIRMATION

(Rise)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, on the Day of Pentecost you graciously poured out the Holy Spirit upon the Church; pour out the Holy Spirit upon us anew,

People: that we, His people, may be renewed in faith and zeal for the Gospel, strengthened for life in this world, and enriched in every way that deepens our knowledge of His love and grace for us.

Pastor: Gracious and merciful Lord, you have baptized us into your holy name and taught us your Word of Truth; bless and preserve in the true faith those who are being confirmed this day, keeping them in their baptismal grace and forgiveness.

People: Sustain them in their pilgrimage of faith in this life, blessing them and us all with Christ’s Holy Supper, that together we may walk the way that leads to everlasting life. Bless also Maxwell, who is baptized this weekend, that he may be raised in the nurture of Jesus Christ.

Pastor: Merciful God and Savior, you have promised forgiveness, life, and salvation to all who faithfully eat and drink the body and blood of Jesus Christ, trusting His promise, “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sin.”

People: Abundantly fill us with your Holy Spirit, that our eating and drinking may be beneficial to us, bestowing on us the abundant life Christ came to give.

Pastor: God of comfort and peace, you brought again from the dead the Great Shepherd of the sheep, making peace between God and sinners through the cross; grant peace also among the nations of the earth, raising up leaders who fear you.

People: Direct and govern our President, Governor, and all in positions of authority, that we may be led in the ways that build up our neighbors and serve the common good.

Pastor: Gracious and almighty Lord, bend your ears to hear the cries of those who face adversity or affliction, especially Dolores, Matthew, Bill, Jon, Dorothy, Ron, Marga, Eleanor, Diane, Carol, Jean, Sarah, Gerald and Joe.

People: Deliver them from their troubles, heal them of their diseases, strengthen them in the hour of trial and bring them to everlasting life through faith in Christ.

Pastor: Father in heaven, bless and comfort those who remember loved ones who have departed this earth, especially Shirley, Teresa, and Julie, that they may find continual comfort in your promises.

People: We rejoice with all who celebrate anniversaries in these days, especially giving you thanks for Dave and Diane Ross who celebrate 25 years of life together.

Pastor: Almighty God, you raise up servants who preach and teach and share the gospel that many may be led to righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ. We give you special thanks for Pastor Thomas Hinz, who has been given the Christus In Mundo award from Concordia University, Wisconsin.

People: As he is honored for serving Christ in this world, grant us to rejoice with him and all your servants who give of themselves for the furtherance of the Gospel of Christ.

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

5:00 & 10:30 THE LORD’S PRAYER

+ SACRAMENT +

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

THE PEACE OF THE LORD

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

People: Amen.

AGNUS DEI

“Lamb of God”

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O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away;

Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(Be seated)

DISTRIBUTION Those guests who desire to commune who are members of another LCMS congregation may do so; if you are coming from another church background, please see the pastor or an elder first.

HYMN #550 “Lamb of God”

Your only Son, no sin to hide, But You have sent Him from Your side
To walk upon this guilty sod, And to become the Lamb of God.

Refrain

**O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in His precious blood, My Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.**

Your Gift of love they crucified, They laughed and scorned Him as He died:
The humble King they named a fraud, And sacrificed the Lamb of God. **Refrain**

I was so lost, I should have died, But You have brought me to Your side
To be led by Your staff and rod, And to be called a lamb of God. **Refrain**

HYMN #693 “O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace”

O Holy Spirit, grant us grace That we our Lord and Savior
In faith and fervent love embrace And truly serve Him ever.
The hour of death cannot bring loss When we are sheltered by the cross
That canceled our transgressions.

Help us that we Thy saving Word In faithful hearts may treasure;
Let e'er that Bread of Life afford New grace in richest measure.
O make us die to ev-'ry sin, Each day create new life within,
That fruits of faith may flourish.

And when our earthly race is run, Death's bitter hour impending,
Then may Thy work in us begun Continue till life's ending,
Until we gladly may commend Our souls into our Savior's hand,
The crown of life obtaining.

HYMN #547 “The Lamb”

The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!

**Refrain Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
 The Lamb is reigning on His throne!**

The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. **Refrain**

The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill
So still, His will On our behalf the Law to fill. **Refrain**

He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness.
He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. **Refrain**

He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows.
His song prolong Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. **Refrain**

HYMN #922 “Go My Children”

Go, My children, with My blessing, Never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you; You are my own.
In My love's baptismal river I have made you Mine forever.
Go, My children, with My blessing – You are My own.

Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you, What I can cure.
Here you heard My dear Son's story; Here you touched Him, Saw His glory.
Go, My children, sins forgiven, At peace and pure.

Go, My children, fed and nourished, Closer to Me;
Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free.
Here My Spirit's power filled you; Here His tender comfort stilled you.
Go, My children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free.

I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace.
I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace;
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother.
Go, My children; I will keep you And give you peace.

COMMON DISMISSAL

(Rise)

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Thank you God, for feeding us with the body and blood of Christ our Savior, and for sending the Holy Spirit to comfort us with the words of the Savior given for our instruction, healing, forgiveness, and peace. Hold us fast in this faith throughout our lives that we may be brought at last by your grace to the wedding feast of our high King, Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit is worshiped and glorified, one God forever and ever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: 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 in favor and + give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN #698 “May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill”

10:30 Confirmands will process out

May we Thy precepts, Lord, fulfill And do on earth our Father’s will
As angels do above; Still walk in Christ, the living way,
With all Thy children and obey The law of Christian love.

So may we join Thy name to bless, Thy grace adore, Thy pow’r confess,
From sin and strife to flee. One is our calling, one our name,
The end of all our hopes the same, A crown of life with Thee.

Spirit of life, of love and peace, Unite our hearts, our joy increase,
Thy gracious help supply. To each of us the blessing give
In Christian fellowship to live, In joyful hope to die.

Preacher	Pastor Harold Bender
Liturgist	Pastor Gregg Stanton
Lectors	Russell Hurst, Virginia Sell, Bob Reynolds
Acolytes	Connor Boinski, Amanda Crist, Ana Gonzalez Clark
Organist	Roger Gottschalk
Choir Director	Nancy Hoelke
Music Coordinator	Kim Woller