



Pentecost Sunday

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"If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink." John 7:37

Hymn of Invocation: 913 O Holy Spirit, Enter In



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, And in our hearts
2 Give to Your Word im - pres - sive pow'r, That in our hearts
3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, Let Your dear Word,



Your work be - gin, Your dwell - ing place now make us.
from this good hour As fire it may be glow - ing,
in doubt and strife, In us be strong - ly burn - ing



Sun of the soul, O Light di - vine, A - round and in
That in true Chris - tian u - ni - ty We faith - ful wit -
That we be faith - ful un - to death And live in love



us bright - ly shine, To joy and glad - ness wake us
ness - es may be, Your glo - ry ev - er show - ing.
and ho - ly faith, From You true wis - dom learn - ing.



That we may be Tru - ly liv - ing, To You giv - ing
Hear us, cheer us By Your teach - ing; Let our preach - ing
Your grace and peace On us show - er; By Your pow - er



Prayer un - ceas - ing And in love be still in - creas - ing.
And our la - bor Praise You, Lord, and serve our neigh - bor.
Christ con - fess - ing, Let us see our Sav - ior's bless - ing.

Call to Worship

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

ALL: Amen!

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, on this day our heavenly Father poured out his Spirit on Jesus' disciples, as Jesus had promised.

ALL: They were empowered to declare the wonders of God to the Jewish pilgrims who were in Jerusalem for the Pentecost Festival.

Pastor: We have been baptized in Jesus' Name, and have been blessed with the Holy Spirit. He continually convinces us that we must continually turn to God in repentance.

ALL: Father in heaven, Your holy Word judges us to be by nature sinful and unclean.. We confess that even though we know the Truth of Your love in Christ we still sin and fail to obey You as we should. Forgive us, Father. Speak to us the Good News of Jesus, which opens the kingdom of heaven to us.

Pastor: Because Christ the Savior came into the world and gave himself in atonement for our sins, God forgives all who turn to him in repentance. At Jesus' command and promise, I announce to you the full forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. He has given you new life in his Kingdom of Grace! That is the Good News for you today and every day!

ALL: Amen! We rejoice to drink the living water that our Lord Jesus supplies, for the kingdom of God is righteousness and peace in the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, You sent Your Son to save – and now You send Your Spirit to give new life! Your grace has sustained us as individuals and as a congregation over the years! Bless us anew with Your Holy Spirit on this Day of Pentecost, so we may be steadfast in faith, give You thanks for all Your blessings, and serve You in willing obedience.

ALL: We pray in the Name of him who baptizes with the Spirit and with fire, Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Numbers 11:24–30

²⁴Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

²⁶Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” ²⁸And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, “My lord Moses, stop them.” ²⁹But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous

for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!" ³⁰And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Acts 2:1–21

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and 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, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷"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;
¹⁸even on my male servants and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.
¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;
²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.
²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

John 7:37–39

Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. **Alleluia.**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventh chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

³⁷On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. ³⁸Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” ³⁹Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C** **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD WITH THE WORD – Based on 1 Corinthians 2

Pastor: When we proclaim the Good News we are not to count on our eloquence or wisdom. We are to know nothing except Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

ALL: Then our message and our testimony become a demonstration of the Spirit's power, and the faith of those who hear us does not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power.

Pastor: We are to speak of God's secret wisdom, which God destined for our glory before time began.

ALL: The rulers of this age do not understand this. If they would, they would not reject and crucify anew the Lord of glory.

Pastor: The Scripture is true: No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him.

ALL: But God has revealed it to us by his Spirit.

Pastor: Only the Spirit searches the deep things of God – so we are not to speak in words taught us by human wisdom, but in words taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who have the Spirit.

ALL: We have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so we may understand what God has freely given us.

Hymn of the Day: 497 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, God and Lord, With all Your grac - es
 2 Come, ho - ly Light, guide di - vine, Now cause the Word of
 3 Come, ho - ly Fire, com - fort true, Grant us the will Your



now out-poured On each be - liev - er's mind and heart;
 life to shine. Teach us to know our God a - right
 work to do And in Your ser - vice to a - bide;



Your fer - vent love to them im - part. Lord, by the
 And call Him Fa - ther with de - light. From ev - 'ry
 Let tri - als turn us not a - side. Lord, by Your



bright-ness of Your light In ho - ly faith Your Church u - nite;
 er - ror keep us free; Let none but Christ our mas - ter be
 pow'r pre - pare each heart, And to our weak-ness strength im - part



From ev - 'ry land and ev - 'ry tongue This to Your
 That we in liv - ing faith a - bide, In Him, our
 That brave - ly here we may con - tend, Through life and



praise, O Lord, our God, be sung: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Lord, with all our might con - fide. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 death to You, our Lord, as - cend. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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THE SERMON

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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.

Hymn of Thanks: 795 Voices Raised to You We Offer



1 Voic - es raised to You we of - fer; Tune them, God, for
2 All cre - a - tion joins to praise You; Earth and sky Your
3 Christ, the song of Love in - car - nate, Touch - ing earth with
4 Spir - it, flam - ing through cre - a - tion, Kin - dle faith with -
5 How can an - y praise we of - fer Mea - sure all the



songs of praise. Hearts and hands we bring in trib - ute
works dis - play. Art and mu - sic, gifts You lend us,
heav - en's grace, For Your liv - ing, suf - f'ring, dy - ing,
in each heart. Lift our voic - es high in cho - rus;
thanks we owe? Take our hearts and hands and voic - es—



For Your gifts through all our days. Al - le - lu - ia!
We re - turn to You to - day. Al - le - lu - ia!
For Your ris - ing, hear our praise! Al - le - lu - ia!
Through our hands Your love im - part. Al - le - lu - ia!
Gifts of love we can be - stow. Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to You we sing!
Al - le - lu - ia! God, Cre - a - tor, source of life!
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, Re - deem - er, Lord of life!
Al - le - lu - ia! Spir - it, Help - er, breath of life!
Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to You we sing!

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THE OFFERING

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH AND 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.

CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

Pastor: Lord God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom which comes down from above so that Your Word may not be bound but have free course, and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people.

ALL: Thus may we serve You in steadfast faith and abide in the confession of Your Name to the end. We pray in the name of him who assured us that You love nothing more than to give Your Spirit to those who ask, Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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 with favor, and give you peace.

ALL: Amen!

FAREWELL AND GOD'S SPEED- TOM MAXWELL – FT. WAYNE SEMINARY

Colossians 3:15–17

¹⁵And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Psalm 37:5 Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.

Closing Hymn: 496 Holy Spirit, Light Divine



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, light di - vine, Shine up - on this heart of mine;
2 Let me see my Sav - ior's face, Let me all His beau - ties trace;
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, pow'r di - vine, Cleanse this guilt - y heart of mine;
4 Ho - ly Spir - it, joy di - vine, Cheer this sad - dened heart of mine;
5 Ho - ly Spir - it, all di - vine, Dwell with - in this heart of mine;



Chase the shades of night a - way, Turn the dark - ness in - to day.
Show those glo - rious truths to me Which are on - ly known to Thee.
In Thy mer - cy pit - y me, From sin's bond - age set me free.
Yield a sa - cred, set - tled peace, Let it grow and still in - crease.
Cast down ev - 'ry i - dol throne, Reign su - preme, and reign a - lone.

Text: Andrew Reed, 1787–1862, alt.

Tune: Orlando Gibbons, 1583–1625

Stay for a brief reception in the foyer as we send Tom off to seminary with our thanksgiving for his service and our prayers for his future.

Announcements

Attendance:

Divine Service: 36

Bible Class and Sunday School: 7

We pray for... Niki Hudson, Dianna Kunkel, Butch Anz, Larry Bachman, Phil and Agnes Jeske, Edward Furr, Cody Clifton, Pam Farmer

Welcome to Kasen Lee Hudson who was born to Niki and Travis Hudson on May 15, 2026. God watch over and protect this family!

Pastor will be on Vacation this week. If you need any assistance, contact the church office in the mornings, or an elder.

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