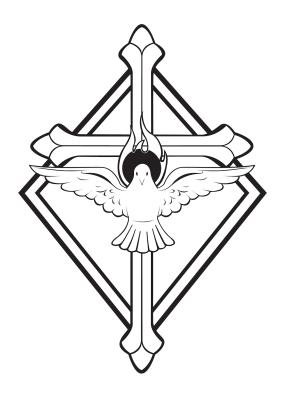
# FAITH

# LUTHERAN CHURCH



The festival of

**PENTECOST** 

### SERVICE NOTES FOR THIS MORNING

Man's self-exaltation causes a confusion of language. In his desire to make a name for himself, he brings the judgment of being divided and scattered. (Gen 11:1–9) However, by the coming of the Holy Spirit, mankind is brought together and united in Christ. Language barriers are broken down as the people hear the wonderful works of God in their own native tongue. (Acts 2:1–21) Through the preaching of the cross, the Holy Spirit draws people from all nations into the one, holy, Christian, apostolic church. The Holy Spirit teaches and brings to our remembrance the words

of Jesus, which are the words of the Father who sent Him. These words bestow forgiveness and peace to those who keep and hold on to them in love for Jesus. For He said, "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." (Jn 14:23–31)

### SERVING TODAY

Preacher: Rev. Jeff Hendrix Organist: Caroline Rehborg Altar Guild: Hendrix Family

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# SERVICE OF PREPARATION



The first part of our service prepares our hearts to come before God. God forgives our sins and the theme for the day is set in the introit.

### **BELLS**

**OPENING PRAYER** ELH pg. 41

O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear Your holy Word. We pray You to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake. Amen.

# **INTROIT**

Antiphon: Wisdom 1:7; Ps. 68:3; Psalm: Ps. 68:1, 4, 11, 33, 35



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The Spirit of the Lord fills the world. Alleluia.

Let the righteous be glad;

Let them rejoice before God;

Yes, let them rejoice exceedingly. Alleluia.

Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered;

let those also who hate Him flee before Him.

Sing to God, sing praises to His name;

extol Him who rides on the clouds.

The Lord gave the Word;

great was the company of those who proclaimed it.

He sends out His voice, a mighty voice.

The God of Israel gives strength and power to His people.

P Glory be to the Father `and to the Son /

and to `the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the be`ginning, is now, /

and ever shall be, forever`more. A-men.

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CONFESSION ELH pg. 41

Let us bow before the Lord and confess our sins. Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

**KYRIE** [Lord, Have Mercy (Luke 18:39)]

ELH pg. 42

(spoken) O God the Father in heaven, have mercy upon us.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the World, have mercy upon us.

O God the Holy Ghost, true Comforter, have mercy upon us.

ABSOLUTION ELH pg. 43

Hear the holy and comforting Word of our Lord: Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. For God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Lift up your hearts! By the authority of God and of my holy office I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son  $\, \, \, \, \, \, \, \, \,$  and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS [Glory be to God on high (Luke 2:14)]

ELH pg. 44

(spoken) Glory be to God in the Highest

And on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

### SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And your spirit.
- **P** Let us all pray:

Lord Jesus Christ, almighty Son of God: We beseech You, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts, through Your Word, that He may rule and govern us according to Your will, comfort us in every temptation and misfortune, and defend us by Your truth against every error, so that we may continue steadfast in the faith, increase in love and good works, and firmly trusting in Your grace, which You purchased for us by Your death, obtain eternal salvation; for You reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C Amen.

# SERVICE OF THE WORD



Our service builds towards the hearing of the Gospel. The lessons and even the chief hymn all reflect the theme of the Gospel.

OLD TESTAMENT Joel 2:28-32

<sup>28</sup>After this, I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.

Your sons and your daughters will prophesy.

Your old men will dream dreams.

Your young men will see visions.

<sup>29</sup>Even on the servants, both male and female,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days.

<sup>30</sup>I will show warning signs in the heavens and on the earth:

blood and fire and pillars of smoke.

<sup>31</sup>The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the great and terrifying day of the Lord.

<sup>32</sup>And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

So on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as the Lord has promised, among the survivors whom the Lord calls.

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound like the rushing of a violent wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>They saw divided tongues that were like fire resting on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, since the Spirit was giving them the ability to speak fluently.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were godly Jewish men from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>When this sound was heard, a crowd came together and was confused, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. <sup>7</sup>They were completely baffled and said to each other, "Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>Then how is it that each of us hears them speaking in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, and of Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya around Cyrene; visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes; <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring in our own languages the wonderful works of God."

<sup>12</sup>They were all amazed and perplexed. They kept saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others mocked them and said, "They are full of new wine." <sup>14</sup>Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and spoke loudly and clearly to them: "Men of Judea, and all you residents of Jerusalem, understand this, and listen closely to my words. <sup>15</sup>These men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup>On the contrary, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>This is what God says will happen in the last days:

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh...<sup>21</sup>And this will happen: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

<sup>22</sup>"Men of Israel, hear these words! Jesus the Nazarene was a man recommended to you by God with miracles, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know. <sup>23</sup>This man, who was handed over by God's set plan and foreknowledge, you killed by having lawless men nail him to a cross. <sup>24</sup>He is the one God raised up by freeing him from the agony of death, because death was not able to hold him in its grip...<sup>37</sup>Now when the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Gentlemen, brothers, what should we do?"

<sup>38</sup>Peter answered them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far away, as many as the Lord our God will call."

<sup>40</sup>He testified solemnly with many other words and was appealing to them, saying, "Escape from this crooked generation."

<sup>41</sup>Those who accepted his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand people were added.

<sup>42</sup>They continued to hold firmly to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of the bread, and to the prayers.

# **ALLELUIA VERSE**

Psalm 104:30, Liturgical text

Alleluia. Alleluia. You send forth Your Spirit, they `are created; / and You renew the face of the earth. `Alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts `of the faithful, / and kindle in them the fire of Your love. `Alleluia.

GOSPEL John 14:23-31

<sup>23</sup>Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will hold on to my word. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. <sup>24</sup>The one who does not love me does not hold on to my words. The word that you are hearing is not mine, but it is from the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup>"I have told you these things while staying with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I told 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. Do not let your heart be troubled, and do not let it be afraid. <sup>28</sup>You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I.

<sup>29</sup>"I have told you now before it happens so that, when it does happen, you may believe. <sup>30</sup>I will not speak with you much longer, because the ruler of this world is coming. He has no power over me. <sup>31</sup>But I want the world to know that I love the Father and that I am doing exactly what the Father has instructed me.

"Get up. Let's leave this place."

**P** This is the Gospel of Christ:

Praise be to You. O Christ!

# **EXORDIUM**

The Exordium is an "introduction" for the festival day based on the theme of the day from all the texts. They are given on the three major festivals of the Church: Christmas, Easter, and Pentecost.

**FESTIVAL INTERLUDE** WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET arranged by Michael Burkhardt During the interlude you may meditate silently on the text of **ELH 27** "O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

# **SERMON**

Your offering to the Lord may be placed in the back in one of the plates, or you may set up direct deposit by filling out a form available on our website.

# PUBLIC EXAMINATION & CONFIRMATION

Israel Mikkelson (11:00am only)

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PRAY	ER & LORD'S PRAYER				
P	Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.				
Pastor	prays on behalf of the congregation. Each prayer ends with:				
P	Lord, in Your mercy,				
C	hear our prayer.				
P	through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.				
C	Amen.				
P	The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,				
	and the communion of the Holy Spirit $ {}^{\llcorner}$ be with you all.				

(The live stream of our service is ended after the Benediction.)

# **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**



Christ, our crucified and risen Lord, now brings us His Body and Blood which were shed for us, whereby He forgives all our sins.

PREFACE ELH pg. 50

- P The Lord be with you.
- And your spirit.
- P Lift up your hearts unto the Lord.
- We lift up our hearts unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.
- It is good and right so to do.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day, as He had promised, the Holy Spirit on the chosen disciples. At this the whole world rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

# **SANCTUS** [Holy, Holy, Holy (Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9)]

ELH pg. 51

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

# THE 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.

# WORDS OF INSTITUTION

ELH pg. 53

O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, the Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world, Grant us Your peace. Amen.

### DISTRIBUTION

- Holy Communion is limited to communicant members of our fellowship, who have properly announced themselves to the pastor beforehand.
- Please limit one family per side of the communion rail, or two individuals per side.
- Masks and gloves should be removed before coming up to commune.
- To receive the host, do not grab with your fingers, but rather form a cup with your hands to receive.
- Pastor will silently distribute the elements; instructing the whole table to take eat/drink, while confessing what each is receiving.
- While others commune, take this time to pray the prayers for Communion (ELH pg. 40) or read the hymn "O Lord, We Praise Thee, Bless Thee, and Adore Thee" (327).

#### DISMISSAL & THANKSGIVING

ELH pg. 56

Our crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ, who has now bestowed upon you His holy body and blood, whereby He has made full satisfaction for all your sins, strengthen and preserve you in the true faith unto everlasting life.

Peace L be with you. Amen.

Let us give thanks and pray: We thank You, Lord God Almighty, that You have refreshed us with these Your salutary gifts; and we beseech You of Your mercy, to strengthen us through the same in faith toward You, and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C Amen.

**BENEDICTION** ELH pg. 56

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 peace.

C Amen.

# Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord | ELH 2 v. 1, 3

### **HYMN**

1. Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord, Be all Thy graces now outpoured On each believer's mind and heart; Thy fervent love to them impart. Lord, by the brightness of Thy light Thou in the faith dost men unite Of ev'ry land and ev'ry tongue; This to Thy praise, O Lord, our God be sung. Alleluia, Alleluia!

3. Thou holy Fire, Comfort true,
Grant us the will Thy work to do.
And in Thy service to abide;
Let trials turn us not aside.
Lord, by Thy pow'r prepare each heart,
And to our weakness strength impart
That bravely here we may contend,
Through life and death
to Thee, our Lord, ascend.
Alleluia. Alleluia!

### **HYMN**

O Holy Spirit, Enter In | ELH 27 v. 6

6. O mighty Rock, O Source of Life,
Let Thy dear Word, 'mid doubt and strife,
Be so within us burning
That we be faithful unto death,
In Thy pure love and holy faith,
From Thee true wisdom learning.
Thy grace
And peace
On us shower;
By Thy power Christ confessing,

Let us win our Savior's blessing.

#### HYMN

We Now Implore God the Holy Ghost | ELH 33 v. 4

4. Thou highest Comfort in ev'ry need, Grant that neither shame nor death we heed, That e'en then our courage may never fail us When the foe shall accuse and assail us. Lord, have mercy!

# **CLOSING PRAYER**

O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death. Amen.

# **NEWS & NOTES**

Today	9:00am 10:30am	Pentecost Festival Divine Service Pentecost & Confirmation Divine Service
Monday	8:00pm	Pastor-New Member Class
Tuesday	8:30pm	Pastor-Marriage Counseling
Wednesday	8:00pm	Virtual Bible Study
Sunday	9:00am	Trinity Sunday Divine Service