



PENTECOST

VIGIL CELEBRATED BY SEVEN CHURCHES AROUND THE WORLD

OF THE CONFESSIONAL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CONFERENCE

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)

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- P** Alleluia. Christ is risen.
- C** **He is risen, indeed. Alleluia.**

PRAYER

- P** Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who led Your people Israel with a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night. Enlighten our darkness by the light of Your Christ. May His Word be a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for You are merciful, and You love Your whole creation. We, Your creatures, glorify You: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

While the candles at the Altar are lit, you may also light candles in your home as is convenient. Seven red candles are lit, symbolizing the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit.

HYMN

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord | **ELH 2 v. 1**
Organist: Caroline Rehborg, Faith Lutheran Church, Oregon, WI

**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!**

PSALM

Psalm 33



- P** ¹² Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, /
 The people He has chosen as His own inheritance.
- ¹³ The Lord looks from heaven; /
 He sees all the sons of men.
- ¹⁴ From the place of His dwelling He looks /
 On all the inhabitants of the earth;
- ¹⁵ He fashions their hearts individually; /
 He considers all their works.
- ¹⁶ No king is saved by the multitude of an army; /
 A mighty man is not delivered by great strength.
- ¹⁷ A horse is a vain hope for safety; /
 Neither shall it deliver any by its great strength.

¹⁸ Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, /
 On those who hope in His mercy,
¹⁹ To deliver their soul from death, /
 And to keep them alive in famine.
²⁰ Our soul waits for the Lord; /
 He is our help and our shield.
²¹ For our heart shall rejoice in Him, /
 Because we have trusted in His holy name.
²² Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, /
 Just as we hope in You.

**☐ Glory be to the Father and to the Son /
 and to the Holy Ghost;
 as it was in the beginning, is now, /
 and ever shall be, forever more. A-men.**



THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT

Isaiah 11:1-2

¹ A shoot will spring up from the stump of Jesse,
 and a Branch from his roots will bear fruit.
² The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him:
 the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
 the Spirit of counsel and might,
 the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

THE SPIRIT OF ***THE LORD***

Rev. Gary Lupe
 Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod Apache Mission, Fort Apache

HYMN

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest | **ELH 10 v. 2, 3**

**2. To Thee the Comforter, we cry,
 To Thee, the Gift of God most high;
 The Fount of life, the Fire of love,
 The soul's Anointing from above.**

**3. The sev'nfold gifts of grace are Thine,
 O Finger of the Hand Divine;
 True Promise of the Father Thou,
 Who dost the tongue with speech endow.**

THE SPIRIT OF
WISDOM

Rev. Kalyan K. Gollapall
Pastor of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Rajahmundry, India

HYMN

Come, Holy Spirit (*sung in Telugu*)

THE SPIRIT OF
UNDERSTANDING

Rev. Jorge Briones
Iglesia Luterana Evangelica Confesional de Mexico

HYMN

O Holy Spirit, Enter In | **ELH 27 v. 3**

**3. Thou fountain whence all wisdom flows,
Which God on pious hearts bestows,
Grant us Thy consolation.
That in our pure faith's unity
We faithful witnesses may be,
Of grace that brings salvation.
Hear us,
Cheer us
By Thy teaching;
Let our preaching And our labor
Praise Thee, Lord, and bless our neighbor.**

THE SPIRIT OF
COUNSEL

Rev. Tor Jakob Welde
Den Lutherske Bekjennelseskirke (The Lutheran Confessional Church), Norway.

HYMN

O Holy Spirit, Enter In | **ELH 27 v. 4**

**4. Left to ourselves we shall but stray;
O lead us on the narrow way,
With wisest counsel guide us;
And give us steadfastness that we
May ever faithful prove to Thee,
Whatever woes betide us.
Lord, now
Heal Thou
All hearts broken;
And betoken Thou art near us,
Whom we trust to light and cheer us.**

THE SPIRIT OF

MIGHT

Rev. SungGyu (Sam), Choi, Ph.D
Pastor of Seoul Lutheran Church, Seoul, Korea

HYMN

O Holy Spirit, Enter In | **ELH 27 v. 5**

**5. Thy heav'nly strength sustain our heart,
That we may act the valiant part
With Thee as our reliance.
Be Thou our refuge and our shield,
That we may never quit the field,
Bidding all foes defiance.
Descend,
Defend
From all errors
And earth's terrors: Thy salvation
Be our constant consolation.**

THE SPIRIT OF

KNOWLEDGE

Rev. Ivo Sildegs
Pastor of Christ's Lutheran Congregation of Augsburg Confession in Jelgava, Latvia

HYMN

O Thou Who Camest From Above (*Sung in Latvian*)

THE SPIRIT OF

FEAR OF THE LORD

Rev. Jeffrey Hendrix
Pastor of Faith Lutheran Church, Oregon, WI, United States (Evangelical Lutheran Synod)

HYMN

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest | **ELH 10 v. 7**

**7. Praise we the Father and the Son,
And Holy Spirit, Thee in One,
And may the Son on us bestow
The gifts that from the Spirit flow.**

GOSPEL

John 15:26-16:4

¹⁵ “If you love Me, keep My commandments. ¹⁶ And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—¹⁷ the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

¹⁹ “A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also. ²⁰ At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. ²¹ He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.”

PRAYER / HYMN

O Lord, Who in Thy Love Divine | ELH 505 v. 2, 4, 10


2. Thou who the night in pray’r didst spend
And then Thy Twelve Apostles send;
And bidd’st us pray the harvest’s Lord
To send forth sowers of the Word,
Hear us and these Thy servants bless
With sev’nfold gifts of holiness.

10. So may we, when our work is done,
Together stand before the throne;
And joyful hearts and voices raise,
In one united song of praise,
With all the bright celestial host,
To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.


4. O Thou, who didst at Pentecost
Send down from heav’n the Holy Ghost
That He might with Thy Church abide
Forever to defend and guide,
Illuminate and strengthen, Lord,
The preachers of Thy holy Word.

KYRIE

“Lord, Have Mercy” ~ Mk 10:47

 Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

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.

BENEDICTION

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word | ELH 589 v. 3

3. O Comforter of priceless worth.
Send peace and unity on earth.
Support us in our final strife
And lead us out of death to life.