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Pentecost



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Worship:

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am

Communion:

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

Adult Bible Study &
Sunday School:

9:30 am

(Grace Hall)

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Karen Suter

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✠ PREPARATION ✠

PRELUDE

Variations on "See How Great a Flame Aspires" arr. A. Giamanco
"O Holy Spirit, Enter In" setting: K. Kolander

WELCOME

Stand

HYMN

"O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

LSB 913

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.

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalms 43:3, 5b; 66:4

- P** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,
C and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.
- P** Send out Your light and Your truth; let them lead me;
C let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your dwelling!
- P** Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him,
C my salvation and my God.
- P** All the earth worships You and sings praises to You;
C they sing praises to Your name.

HYMN

"Called and Gathered"



1 Called and gath - ered, graced and gift - ed By the Spir - it's
2 Called and gath - ered, well - pro - tect - ed, Nev - er or - phaned
3 Called and gath - ered, Christ the cen - ter, Word and wa - ter,



pow'r made one; Truth-en - light - ened, hearts up - lift - ed
or a - lone; As the Spir - it's in - ter - ced - ing
bread and wine: Here we heav - en's por - tal en - ter;



In the Church - cre - a - ted home, We as
Brings our prayer to Fa - ther's throne. With strong
Now we fore - taste joy di - vine. Ho - ly

heirs of Christ in - her - it Trea - sured
 words of af - fir - ma - tion Guilt - y
 Spir - it, shape our liv - ing— Pour up -

peace for all our days. Guid - ed by the Ho - ly
 stains of sin re - move. By the Spir - it's mat - u -
 on us all that's best; Fill us with the gift for

Spir - it— Sanc - ti - fied, we of - fer praise.
 ra - tion Grow up seeds and deeds of love.
 giv - ing, En - ter in and make us blest.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 38:18, 22; 140:6; 145:8

- P** With confidence I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C** **for the LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

- P** I confess my iniquity; I am sorry for my sin.
- C** **Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation!**

- P** I say to the LORD, You are my God;
- C** **give ear to the voice of my pleas for mercy, O LORD!**

- P** Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open and all desires are known and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

- P** In repentance, let us now confess our sins unto our gracious God.
- C** **Almighty God, merciful Father, we acknowledge our sinful nature and repent of our sins in thought and in word and in deed. For the sake of Jesus, our Lord, grant us Your divine absolution so that, as Your redeemed people, we be fit places for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and serve You in time and**

for eternity. Have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to life everlasting.

P Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. 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. To them that believe on His name He gives 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.

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P 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.

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 37: 1-14

The Word is read...

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM, I *Font Side, II* *Pulpit Side, L* *Elder*

Psalm 139:1–12; antiphon v. 17

L How precious to me are Your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

- I** *O Lord, You have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You discern my thoughts from afar.*
- II** *You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, You know it altogether.*
- C** **You hem me in, behind and before, and lay Your hand upon me.**
- L** Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.
- I** *Where shall I go from Your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from Your presence?*
- II** If I ascend to heaven, You are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, You are there!
- C** **If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there Your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me.**
- L** If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," even the darkness is not dark to You; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with You.
- C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- L** How precious to me are Your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

SECOND READING

Acts 2: 1-21

The Word is read...

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

Stand

GRADUAL

Acts 2:17b; Romans 10:10

- C** **I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.
With the heart one believes and is justified,
and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.**

HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:26–27; 16:4b–15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth and sixteenth chapters.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

The Gospel is read...

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

"Filled With the Holy Spirit"

Billy Milam

(11:00 AM service)

HYMN

"Come Down, O Love Divine"

LSB 501



1 Come down, O Love di - vine; Seek Thou this soul of mine,
2 O let it free - ly burn, Till world - ly pas - sions turn
3 Let ho - ly char - i - ty Mine out - ward ves - ture be
4 And so the yearn - ing strong, With which the soul will long,



And vis - it it with Thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
To dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
And low - li - ness be - come mine in - ner cloth - ing—
Shall far out - pass the pow'r of hu - man tell - ing;



O Com - fort - er, draw near; With - in my heart ap - pear,
And let Thy glo - rious light Shine ev - er on my sight,
True low - li - ness of heart, Which takes the hum - bler part,
No soul can guess His grace Till it be - come the place



And kin - dle it, Thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
And clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
And o'er its own short - com - ings weeps with loath - ing.
Where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes His dwell - ing.

SERMON

Stand

NICENE CREED, *On forward screens*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Grant Your blessing, O Lord, on the Church here and in all places, that You will confirm it in the Gospel, inspire it with unity and concord, and extend and prosper it throughout the world. Grant that the Holy Spirit continually call, gather, enlighten, and sanctify the Church and keep it in the one true faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

L Bless, we pray You, the nations of the world that there be times of peace and security. Remember in Your grace our schools, hospitals, homes for the aged, and all charitable institutions. Bless those who minister to human need, whether of body, mind, or spirit, and grant them wisdom, strength, and love for You and those in their care. Let Your blessing rest upon the seedtime and harvest, commerce and industry, leisure and the arts, and culture of our people. Take under Your special protection those whose toil is difficult or dangerous and be with all who contribute to the well-being of our society. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Confident of Your care, we pray for our families, those who share in our Christian fellowship and join with us in worship, and for all who are part of the household of faith. Also we pray for those with special concerns and needs this day: those who are hospitalized, those who are grieving, the unemployed and underemployed, the chronically ill and shut-in, and all those in need, [*especially . . .*]. Grant that the Holy Spirit move us to be those who live out our Gospel calling in deeds of love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

L Merciful God, we thank You for all those faithful people whose words and actions have guided us in the past, especially remembering those no longer with us on earth who now share in Your eternal presence. By the working of Your Holy Spirit,

direct us to walk Your servant way throughout our lives until that day when we share in the marriage supper of the Lamb and in Your glorious presence in heaven.

C Amen.

OFFERTORY, Offerings are brought forward

LSB 786



1 Lord of all good, our gifts we bring You now;
2 We give our minds to un - der - stand Your ways;
△ 3 Fa - ther, whose boun - ty all cre - a - tion shows;



Use them Your ho - ly pur - pose to ful - fill.
Hands, eyes, and voice to serve Your great de - sign;
Christ, by whose will - ing sac - ri - fice we live;



To - kens of love and pledg - es they shall be
Hearts with the flame of Your own love a - blaze—
Spir - it, from whom all life in full - ness flows:



That our whole life is of - fered to Your will.
Thus for Your glo - ry all our pow'rs com - bine.
To You with grate - ful hearts our - selves we give.

✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

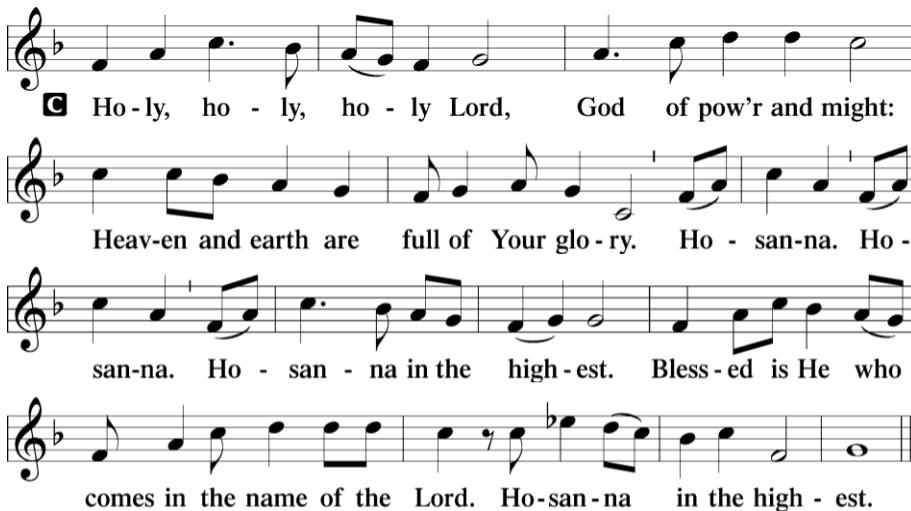
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

- ☐ It is our duty and delight at all times and everywhere to give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for You have enlightened us by the working of the Holy Spirit. Grant that the Spirit, who has called and gathered us, guide us in all things, keeping our witness strong so that more people may confess Your power and experience Your everlasting love. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, with You and the Holy Spirit, is one God, through whom with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS

LSB 161



☐ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- ☐ We thank You, almighty God, that Your rule is without end and that Your power extends over all the earth. We bless You for making us and knowing us and caring for us and calling us in this life to be united to You as Your people on earth. We rejoice in all that You have done for us and find strength in the assurance that at every turn You are with us. You have liberated us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of Your dear Son, the very image and reflection of Your glory. For Him the universe was made. In Him we have received redemption

and forgiveness of sins. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✝ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✝ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

1 Corinthians 11:26; Revelation 22:20

P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P Therefore, gracious God, we commemorate that Christ had to suffer and die, but most of all that He is the firstborn from the dead, the firstborn of the whole creation; that glorified at Your right hand, He speaks on our behalf; and that He will come to judge the living and the dead on the day You have appointed. Send Your Holy Spirit among us that we be Your people and serve You in all blessedness. With grateful hearts, we beseech You to hear us, to accept our praise and thanksgiving, and to teach us to pray as our Lord has taught us:

LORD'S PRAYER, *On forward screens*

PAX DOMINI

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI

LSB 163

Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the
 world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

“Voices Raised to You We Offer”

LSB 795

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!

VOLUNTARY

" Come Holy Ghost, Creator, Blest "

arr. R. Lau

Stand

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

LSB 164



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, we thank You for having fed us with the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, assuring us thereby that we are truly members of His Body, the Church. And we ask You to help us by Your Holy Spirit that we continue in this fellowship and do the good works You desire us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

HYMN

"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"

LSB 650

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest
2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's
realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing
ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing
min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength - 'ning, and ab - solv - ing,
O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it,
Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it,
Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,
ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,
ev - er form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we
ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -
life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.
praise with end - less wor - ship For Your gifts and fruits un - priced.
mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

Sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DISMISSAL

Deaconess Karen Suter

- A** Go in peace as you serve the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"
Trumpet solo: Susan Messersmith
Friday Only

setting: J. Carter

PARTICIPATING IN THIS SERVICE

Pastor: Rev. Richard Willsea

Deaconess: Karen Suter

Organist: Patty Barnes

Trumpet: Susan Messersmith

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