

Worship Leader Edition  
Pentecost

May 28, 2023

8:30 AM

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GATHERING

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PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *{Front Center}* (Rob)

+LITANY FOR PENTECOST *{Front Center}* (Rob)

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L: God, today we give thanks for the good gift of Your Holy Spirit, our helper.

**C: Come Holy Spirit.**

A: The Spirit of God present among us.

**C: Come Holy Spirit.**

L: As on the day of Pentecost, when Your spirit rested on Your followers as tongues of fire,

**C: Rest on us now, Oh God**

A: As they were filled with the spirit and began to speak and prophesy,

**C: Fill us now, Oh God.**

L: Just as Jesus promised, just as the Father has promised,

**C: The Spirit of the Lord is upon us,**

A: Empowering us to proclaim good news to the poor

**C: Release for prisoners**

L: To exchange beauty for ashes

**C: Joy for mourning**

A: A spirit of praise instead of despair.

**C: Come Holy Spirit.**

L: We are your church, your body on earth, who trust in the Resurrected Christ,

**C: And in the Holy Spirit of God, here with us now. Amen**

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+OPENING HYMN

“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”

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**Verse 1**

Holy Spirit, ever dwelling  
in the holiest realms of light;

Holy Spirit, ever brooding  
o'er a world of gloom and night;

Holy Spirit, ever raising  
those on earth to thrones on high;  
living life-impacting Spirit,  
you we praise and magnify.

**Verse 2**

Holy Spirit, ever living  
as the church's very life;  
Holy Spirit, ever striving  
through us in a ceaseless strife;

Holy Spirit, ever forming  
in the church the mind of Christ:  
you we praise with endless worship  
for your gracious gifts unpriced.

**Verse 3**

Holy Spirit, ever working  
through the church's ministry;  
quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving,  
setting captive sinners free;  
Holy Spirit, ever binding  
age to age and soul to soul  
in communion never ending,  
you we worship and extol.

+GREETING *{Front Center}* (Greg Hornicke)

L: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

+PRAYER OF THE DAY *{Front Center}* (Greg Hornicke)

L: O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who Lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

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WORD

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FIRST READING (*Mark Bergherr*)

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Alleluia"

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**C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

+THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

Pastor Rob Norris-Weber

+HYMN OF THE DAY

"Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"

ELW #398

Verses 1, 2 & 3

**Verse 1**

Holy Spirit, truth divine,  
dawn upon this soul of mine;  
breath of God and inward light,  
wake my spirit, clear my sight.

kindle ev'ry high desire;  
purge me with your holy fire.

**Verse 3**

Holy Spirit, pow'r divine,  
fortify this will of mine;  
by your will I strongly live,  
bravely bear, and nobly strive.

**Verse 2**

Holy Spirit, love divine,  
glow within this heart of mine;

+THE APOSTLES' CREED {*Front Center*} (*Greg Hornicke*)

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**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

+THE PRAYERS {*Front Center*} (Greg Hornicke)

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*After each petition:*

L: Come Holy Spirit,.

**C: Hear our prayer.**

+THE LORD'S PRAYER {*Front Center*} (Greg Hornicke)

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**C: 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.**

+SHARING OF THE PEACE {*Front Center*} (Greg Hornicke)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

L: For all who are gathered, let us take a moment to welcome everyone with a wave of peace. For those of you online, please share a word of peace in the comment or chat. Most all as we go out into the world may we greet others as people of peace.

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE {*Front Center*} (Greg Hornicke) You may be seated.

L: In this time of reflection and response you are invited to fill out your welcome card. Share any reflections, questions, or prayers on the back. Also, take this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered the collection plates are in the front and back, and there is a QR code in the bulletin to give electronically. For those online please go to our website [stlukesbloomington.org](http://stlukesbloomington.org) and there is a link to give at the bottom of every page. Enjoy this time.

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Lori Murray

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## SENDING

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+BENEDICTION (*Rob*)

L: May the God who breathed life into creation be your delight. May Christ Jesus give hope to your dreaming, and may the Holy Spirit, your advocate and supporter, set your hearts ablaze with a passion for peace.

**C: Lead us Lord. Amen.**

+SENDING HYMN

“God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind”

ELW #400

### Verse 1

God of tempest, God of whirlwind,  
as on Pentecost descend!  
Drive us out from sheltered comfort;  
past these walls your people send!  
Sweep us into costly service,  
there with Christ to bear the cross,  
there with Christ to bear the cross!

### Verse 2

God of blazing, God of burning,  
all the block you purpose purge!  
Through your church, Christ's living Body,  
let your flaming Spirit surge!  
Where deceit conceals injustice,  
kindle us to speak your truth,  
kindle us to speak your truth!

### Verse 3

God of earthquake, God of thunder,  
shake us loose from lethargy!  
Break the chains of sin asunder,  
for earth's healing set us free!  
Crumble walls that still divide us;  
make us one in Christ our Lord,  
make us one in Christ our Lord!

### Verse 4

God of passion, God unsleeping,  
stir in us love's restlessness!  
Where the people cry in anguish,  
may we share your heart's distress.  
Rouse us from content with evil;  
claim us for your kingdom work,  
claim us for your kingdom work!

+DISMISSAL {*Front Center*} (Greg Hornicke)

L: Let us go out led by the Spirit.

**C: Help us follow. Amen!**

POSTLUDE

**Altar Flowers Today Given by  
Steve and Judy Ludwigson  
In celebration of our son,  
Tyler's, birthday**