



Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Pastor Mark Voss

Festival of Pentecost

May 15, 2016

Fifty days after Easter, God sent the promised Counselor on the day we call “Pentecost” (Greek for “fifty”). Pentecost marks the birthday of the New Testament Church and celebrates the souls won by the Son and gathered into his Church by his Spirit. Pentecost is the third great festival of the Church. The Church Colors are red to remind us of the tongues of fire that marked the Spirit’s gift and the fire of zeal he gives Christians to use that gift.

Musical Selection – Senior Choir

“Come Down to Us, O Holy Spirit”

Text, Setting: Carmen Scialla ©2005 Concordia Publishing House

Response for Pentecost

P: We begin in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: God has poured out his love into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, which is his gift to us.
There are different kinds of spiritual gifts,

C: **But the same Spirit gives them.**

P: There are different ways of serving,

C: **But the same Lord is served.**

P: There are different abilities to perform service,
C: **But the same Spirit gives ability to everyone for service.**

P: The Spirit's presence is shown in some way for the good of all.
C: **If we live by the Spirit, let us walk by the Spirit, that we may be the children of God.**

Opening Hymn — *"O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace"*

CW 185

Our Confession of Sins

P: Beloved in the Lord; let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: **Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Response



Ho - ly Spir - it, Light di - vine, Shine up - on this heart of mine;
Ho - ly Spir - it, Love di - vine, Cleanse this guilt - y heart of mine;
Ho - ly Spir - it, Joy di - vine, Cheer this sad - dened heart of mine;



Chase the gloom of night a - way; Turn the dark-ness in - to day.
In your mer - cy pit - y me; From sin's bond-age set me free.
Fill me with your heav'n-ly peace; Let it grow and still in-crease.

Prayer of the Day

P: Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gifts of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**



The Word

*The Holy Spirit comes
like the power of a tornado*

From Acts 2

The Church follows in the footsteps of Christ

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Now there were staying in Jerusalem God fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. Utterly amazed, they asked: “Are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in his own native language? We hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” Amazed and perplexed they asked one another. “What does this mean?”

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “This is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: “In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Musical Selection — Senior Choir

“Holy Spirit, God of Love”

Text: Birgitte K. Boyle. Tune: DER TAG DER IST SO FREUNDENREICH. Setting: Tim Tollefson ©1999 Northwestern Publishing House

Gospel - John 14:25-27
The Promise of the Holy Spirit

²⁵All this I have spoken while still with you.

²⁶But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you all things
and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

²⁷Peace I leave with you;
my peace I give you.

I do not give to you as the world gives.
Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

P: This is the Gospel of the Word.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Sermon Hymn

“Descend, O Holy Spirit”

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De - scend, O Ho-ly Spir-it, de - scend on us we pray; And bless us with Your pres-ence,
De - scend, O Ho-ly Spir-it, let heal-ing wa - ter flow To com-fort those in mourn-ing,
De - scend, O Ho-ly Spir-it, as rush-ing, migh - ty wind; We stand in ad - o - ra - tion;



re - newed in us to - day. A fer - vent in - ter - ces-sor be - fore the Fa-ther's throne;
a so - lace to the soul; A foun-tain in the des-ert, the wa - ter of Your Word,
O Spir - it, now de - scend, O cleanse us by Your pow-er, our weak-ened faith re - new;



Your gen-tle sup - pli - ca-tions make our pe - ti - tions known.
A - noint-ed with Your pow-er, the sweet-est mes-sage heard.
Com - mis-sion us for ser-vice to lead the lost to You.

Pentecost Turns Babel Upside Down

¹Now the whole world had one language and a common speech.

²As men moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.

³They said to each other, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar.

⁴Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves and not be scattered over the face of the whole earth."

⁵But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the men were building.

⁶The LORD said, "If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them.

⁷Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other."

⁸So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city.

⁹That is why it was called Babel--because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

Confession of Faith

Explanation of the Third Article

I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him.

But the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.

On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. Amen.

Offering and Signing of the Friendship Register

Hymn — “Come Oh Come, Life-Giving Spirit”

CW 181 vv 1-3

Lord’s Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

The Sacrament

Our church practices membership communion. We ask that only members partake of the sacrament.

Receiving The Sacrament of Lord's Supper

P: We receive the Sacrament with repentant hearts:

C: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins. *1 John 1:8-9*

P: We receive the Sacrament with believing hearts:

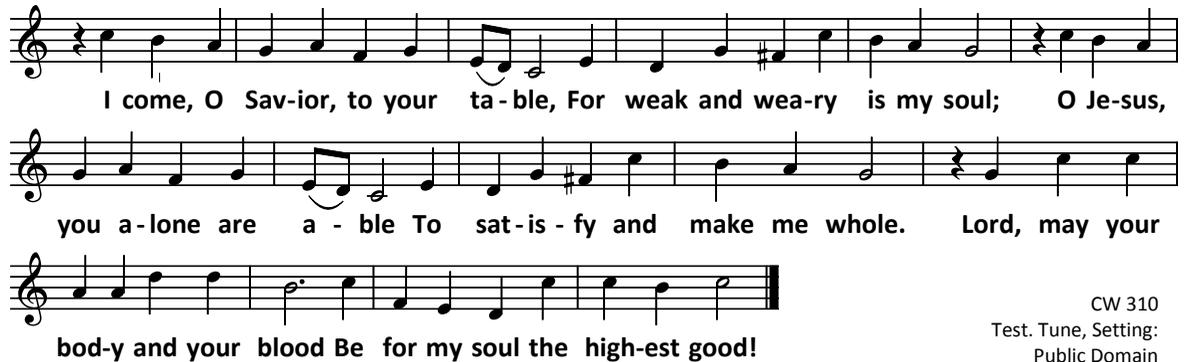
C: Take and eat; this is my body. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. *Matthew 26:26, 28*

P: We receive the Sacrament with remembering hearts:

C: For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. *1 Corinthians 11:26*

P: We receive this Sacrament with one heart:

C: Because there is one loaf, we who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. *1 Corinthians 10:17*



I come, O Sav-ior, to your ta-ble, For weak and wea-ry is my soul; O Je-sus,
you a-lone are a - ble To sat-is - fy and make me whole. Lord, may your
bod-y and your blood Be for my soul the high-est good!

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The Words of Institution and Reception of Lord's Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessing

Closing Verses

Tune: CW 588 Text, Tune, Setting: Public Domain

Cre - ate in me, O God, a spot-less heart, re - new in me a
Re-store to me sal - va-tion's joy, O Lord; give me a will-ing
spi-rit that is right, And from your pre - sence ne - ver make me
spir-it, Keep me true. Then I will teach trans - gress-ors in your
part or take your Ho - ly Spir - it from my sight.
Word, And man - y sin-ners will turn back to you.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). It consists of three systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, the second system covers the next two lines, and the third system covers the final line. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR – May 15, 2016

- Today 8 & 10:30a Worship with Communion, 9:15a Bible Study & Sunday School
Tuesday 7p COR Women's Group – Helen Leake serves
Thursday 8a Breakfast Bible Class, 6p Adult Discipleship, 7p Worship, 7:45p Bible Study
Friday 6:30p School Musical

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAND CONCERT: The Wisconsin Lutheran College Concert Band, under the direction of Terry S. Trenden, will be presenting a program of secular music at Abiding Word Lutheran Church, 8391 S Burnley Court, Highlands Ranch) on Monday, May 23rd, at 7p. The concert is free and open to the public. To learn more about the WLC Concert Band, visit wlc.edu/band.

Abiding Word needs to provide housing (bed, breakfast, ride back to Abiding Word by 7a) for 45 people that Monday night. They could really use any help they can get in that area. If anyone is interested let Pastor Voss know ASAP. Thank you for considering this!

THANK YOU: Many thanks to those who helped with work day. We appreciate your time and attention in keeping the house of the Lord looking good.

SCHOOL PLAY: Join us this Friday at 6:30p for our school musical *"The Pirates of Penzance"*.

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at 8 and 10:30a and
Thursdays at 7p

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- A warm welcome to our visitors. May the Lord bless your worship with us today. We ask that you please sign the friendship register located at the end of the pew.
- Children – Activity bags are available in the coat room, off the narthex. During our 10:30a service a staffed nursery is located straight ahead and to your left as you exit the sanctuary. While we encourage young children to be in the service, families may like to use the nursery and are invited to do so.
- Please let an usher know if you require a larger print bulletin.
- Our services can also be viewed online. Go to our website corchurch.com and click on Video Broadcast.