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8:30 a.m. Worship Bulletin

ALL ARE WELCOME. ALL ARE LOVED. ALL SAINTS.



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Welcome to All Saints! We warmly greet you in the name of Christ and give God thanks for your presence today. Whether you are visiting or are looking for a new church home, we're glad you're here! Please use the guest card in the pew rack to share your contact information, questions, prayer concerns, etc.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Children who are not yet communing are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Children are always welcome in worship. We encourage children to participate in the worship service as they are able. "Quiet Bags" are available in the entryway or from an usher. Childcare is provided in the church nursery for infants and children through age five. A private Mother's Room for feeding is provided in the Education wing.

For the hearing impaired, printed copies of the sermons are available on the bulletin table in the Narthex. A hearing assistance system is also available. Please ask an usher.

In order to be fully present to God in worship, please silence your cell phone. We encourage the discipline of silence for personal devotion and prayer upon entering worship, as well as during the prelude and other musical offerings.

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+GATHERING+

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

We stand and face the processional cross.

WELCOME



CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in us the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit, and we shall be created,
and you shall renew the face of the earth.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit instructs the hearts of the faithful,
grant, that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his
consolations, through Christ our Lord,

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

ACS 942 (purple hymnal)

Refrain: Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.
Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.

Each stanza of the Gathering Hymn has been replaced with a reading of a Pentecost poem.

GREETING

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

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

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, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

+WORD+

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

We sit.

FIRST READING – Acts 2:1-21

The major Jewish festival that marks the fiftieth day after Passover is called Shavuot. It celebrates God's giving of the Law to Moses on Mount Sinai. In ancient times, this festival was a required pilgrimage to Jerusalem for any Jew who was able to make the journey. Another name for Shavuot is Pentecost, which in Greek means "fifty days." Luke portrays the Holy Spirit being poured out upon Jesus' disciples during the festival, to the astonishment of many pilgrims to the city. Filled by the Spirit, the disciples give witness to the power of Christ's resurrection.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place.

²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem.

⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But 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.

¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning.

¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷“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.

¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.



PSALM

"Breath of God"

by Joe Davis

We believe in the breath of God
a rhythm in our chest,
a movement from heaven to heart
and outward to everyone else.

We believe in the breath of God,
that hovers over the face of the deep,
that moves until every captive is freed,
that gives until no one is left in need.

We believe in the breath of God,
we will use this breath to speak
for those who can't breathe,
to weep with those who weep,
to grieve with those who grieve.

We will use this breath to practice what we preach,
to become God's hands and feet
in the church and in the street.

We believe in the breath of God,
creating justice, revealing love beyond buildings,
but the resilience God builds in us.

To confess, repent, and repair
not in guilt, blame or shame
but through courage and compassion
until our humanity is reclaimed.

We believe in the breath of God,
to help our unbelief,
that we might give our every breath,
until we all can breathe.

SECOND READING – 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Paul is helping the Corinthians understand the relationship between our God-given unity and Spirit-created diversity. The Spirit creates the unity of faith and gives all Christians diverse gifts for the common benefit of all. We need one another's diverse spiritual gifts because the same Spirit has given them to each person for the common good.

^{3b}No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON



We stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts¹ of your faithful,*
and kindle in us the fire¹ of your love.

GOSPEL – John 20:19-23

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, offering them a benediction, a commission, and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹When 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.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

We sit.

SERMON

NICENE CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

We kneel or sit.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Each prayer petition concludes with... Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We stand.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

+MEAL+

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

We sit.

OFFERING

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

ANTHEM



We stand.

OFFERTORY



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the
brim our cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the
prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,
and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.


PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection,
you pour out the fire of your Spirit,
uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
 who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
 who preached good news to the poor,
 and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
 our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
 broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
 Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
 and gave it for all to drink, saying:
 This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
 shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
 Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension,
 we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord,
 and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food,
 the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord;
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
 be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

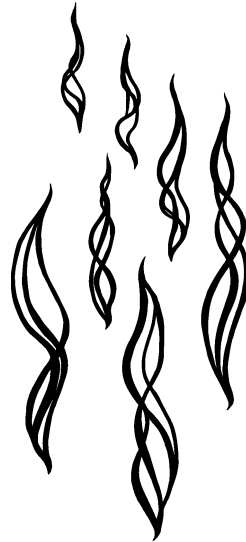
LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.**



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

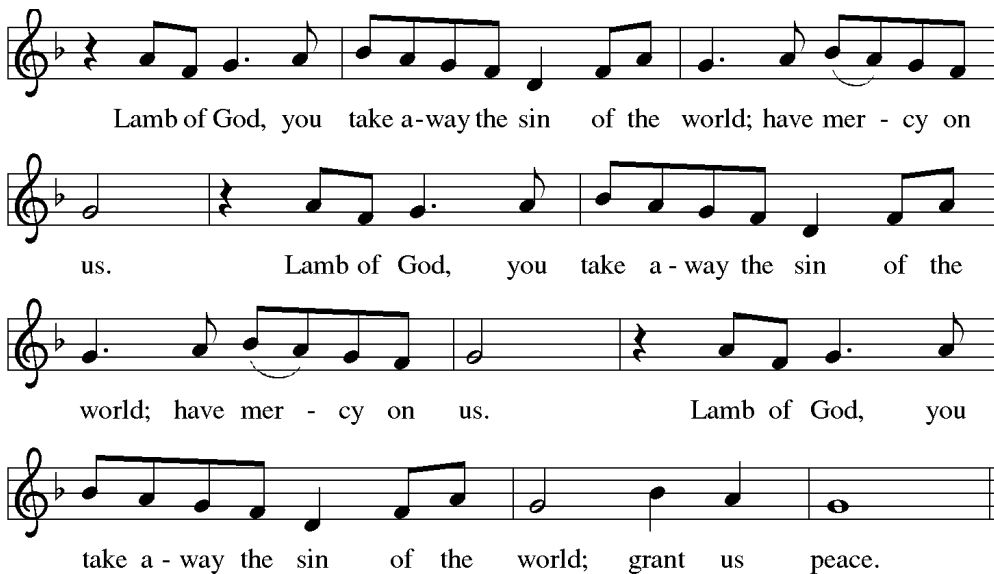
Come and know Christ,
broken and poured out for you.
Thanks be to God.

We sit.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

Jesus Christ welcomes you to this meal of the baptized! When the usher indicates it is time to come forward, please do so to receive a communion wafer. A chalice will be available for dipping the wafer. If you prefer to not receive the wine, please know that you receive the fullness of Jesus Christ even if you only partake of one element. After receiving Holy Communion, you may return to your seat. If you need a pastor to bring you the elements, please indicate that to an usher when they pass your row.

LAMB OF GOD



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.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

Spirit of Gentleness

ELW 396 (red hymnal)

Breathe on Us, Breath of God

ACS 941 (purple hymnal)

We stand.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.
Gracious God,
in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace,
you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the
world in Jesus' name.
Amen.

+SENDING+

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

We sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We stand.

BLESSING

In the name of the Father,
in the name of the + Son,
in the name of the Spirit,
the Three-in-one **(the Three-in-one)**

May the Lord bless and keep you,
may God's face shine upon you,
may God's blessings go with you,
and give you peace **(and give you peace)**

SENDING HYMN

O Spirit All-Embracing

ACS 944 (purple hymnal)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

