

Pentecost Sunday
Order of Service May 31, 2020
Weekly Scripture: Acts 2:1-4, 1 Cor 12:1-13

Gathering

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness

We confess our sins before God and one another. (*Pause for silence and reflection.*)

Risen Lord, We see the miracle of your resurrection, yet so often live as though we are still lost in our sins. We rely on our own feeble will, we stay mired in the past, and we refuse that which is too uncomfortable or unfamiliar. Forgive us, and open our hearts again to your freedom. Amen.

Praise God—Christ is arisen! We have a new life, and the old has fallen away. Rejoice that we are truly forgiven, and go out and proclaim the grace that is free to all, in Jesus' name, amen.

Call to Worship

Bless the Lord, our God! Who sends us the Spirit:
The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might,
The Spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord. Bless the Lord, our God!

Opening Hymn Spirit of Gentleness ELW #396

Greeting

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

Canticle of Praise This Is the Feast ELW p. 140

Prayer of the Day

O Lord, You send your Spirit to disciples of all times and places. May our ears be tuned to discern your voice and act on the gifts you have given us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, amen.

Word

Scripture Introduction

On Pentecost, God gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to those gathered, and in doing so the people were able to discern voices speaking God's truth. Most amazing is that God chose to work through ordinary people to spread the Gospel, from the time of Jesus ascension until today, the Gospel and Jesus' message of love for the world has persisted in spite of our brokenness to reach new ears even today, and it is because the Holy Spirit lives and works in, with, and through ordinary people just like you.

Acclamation Alleluia, Lord to whom Shall We Go? ELW p. 142

First Reading Acts 2:1-4

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² 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. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Focus Scripture 1 Corinthians 12: 1-13

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to 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. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹² For 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. ¹³ For 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.

Childrens Message

Special Music Spirit of the Living God

Message

Hymn of the Day Light the Fire in My Heart

Apostles' Creed

**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.**

Prayers of the Church

Sharing of the Peace

Offering & Offering Hymn

Offering Prayer

Of all the gifts which you have given us, we treasure your Holy Spirit, O God. In gratitude for guidance and discernment, we offer these tributes before you and ask your blessing. May our lives be a blessing to others, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Remembrance of Communion

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.

Closing Hymn Come Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing ELW #807

Sending

Benediction

Final Hymn Shine, Jesus, Shine ELW #671

Postlude