All Saints Lutheran Church + Good Shepherd Lutheran Church On-Line Service for the Feast of Pentecost + 31 May 2020

Please follow and feel free to sing along with the hymn & read aloud as indicated by **bold** print.

Opening Hymn + LSB 497 - Come Holy Ghost, God and Lord v 1-3

Come Holy Ghost, God and Lord – With all Your graces now outpoured
On each believer's mind and heart – Your fervent love to them impart
Lord by the brightness of Your Light – In holy faith Your Church unite
From ev'ry land and evb'ry tongue – This to Your praise, O Lord, our God be sung:
Alleluia, alleluia!

Come holy Light, guide divine – Now cause the Word of life to shine Teach us to know our God aright – And call Him Father with delight. From ev'ry error keep us free – Let none but Christ our Master be That we in living faith abide – In Him, our Lord, with all our might confide Alleluia, alleluia!

Come holy Fire, comfort true – Grant us the will Your works to do And in Your service to abide – Let trials turn us not aside Lord, by Your pow'r prepare each heart – And to our weakness strength impart That bravely here we may contend – Through life and death, O Lord, to You ascend Alleluia, alleluia!

Invocation

Remembering our Baptism and adoption as God's Children, we begin in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Confession & Absolution

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father: O almighty God, merciful Father,

I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserve Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Introit + Psalm 78:69-72 [Bill Ploschke]

- P: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love, alleluia.
- A: He built His sanctuary like the high heavens, like the earth, which He founded forever.
- C: He chose David His servant and took him from the sheepfolds; from following the nursing ewes He brought him to shepherd Jacob His people, Israel His inheritance.
- A: With upright heart He shepherded them and guided them with a skillful hand.

ALL: 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.

P: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us pray the Collect of the Day together: Almighty and everlasting God, You fulfilled Your promise by sending the Holy Spirit to unite disciples of all nations in the cross and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ. By the preaching of the Gospel spread this gift to the ends of the earth; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Readings [Brian Martin]

First Lesson – The first reading is from the Book of Numbers, the eleventh chapter; [Numbers 11:24-30]]

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. ²⁵ Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

²⁶ Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸ And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My lord Moses, stop them." ²⁹ But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!" ³⁰ And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

This is the Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God

Epistle: The Epistle is from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles, the second chapter [Acts 2:1-21]

2 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested^[a] on each one of them. ⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." ¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵ For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ^[b] ¹⁶ But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: "And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; ¹⁸ even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹ And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire,

and vapor of smoke; ²⁰ the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

²¹ And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

This is the Word of the Lord: Thanks be to God

The Holy Gospel according to St John, the seventh chapter: [John 7:37-39]

³⁷On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in me, as^[] the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" ³⁹ Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

This is the Gospel of our Lord. Praise to You, O Christ.

The Apostles' Creed

Please join me in confessing our Christian faith before God our Father, and each other:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His 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 into hell, the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn of the Day + LSB 589 - Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens, v 1-4

Speak, O Lord, Your servant listens – Let Your Word to me come near; Newborn life and spirit give me – Let each promise still my fear. Death's dread power, its inward strife – Wars against Your Word of life; Fill me Lord with love's strong fervor – That I cling to You forever!

Oh, what blessing to be near You – And to listen to Your voice! Let me ever love and hear You – Let Your Word be now my choice. Many hardened sinners, Lord – Flee in terror at Your Word But to all who feel sin's burden – You give words of peace and pardon.

Lord, Your words are water living – When my thirsting spirit pleads Lord, Your words are bread life giving – On Your Word my spirit feeds. Lord, Your Word will be my light – Through death's cold and dreary night Yes, they are my sword prevailing – And my cup of joy unfailing!

As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me – Let Your words in me take root May Your Spirit e'er be near me – That I bear abundant fruit May I daily sing Your praise – From my heart glad anthems raise Till my highest praise is given – In the endless joy of heaven.

Sermon: "The Waters of Life" – Pastor on John 7:37-39

Prayer of the Church [Jeff Decker]

- P: Almighty God, You have blessed us in love with the Savior to whom the nations cry and in whom is forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Grant to us Your Holy Spirit, the Comforter, whom You have promised, that we and all who call upon His name shall be saved. Help us to treasure in our hearts Your mercy and to give ourselves fully to Your service. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- A: Almighty God, You delivered Your Word through Moses and the prophets and fulfilled Your Word in Christ. He suffered death for our sins and was raised for our justification, and in Him shall all the nations of the earth be united. Give us pastors who will preach this Word faithfully and church workers who are devoted to Your service. Convict our confessional brothers and sisters to once again rely solely on the authority of Your Word as the only rule and norm for all doctrine and practice. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- A: Almighty God, You have promised the thirsty will drink from rivers of living water. Help us to live holy lives that display the fruits of the Spirt. Guide us to live with love toward our neighbor. Give us servant hearts that do not seek our own way but walks on the path of eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- A: Almighty God, You have promised to make all people one. Take from us all pride, prejudice and hate, that we may not hinder the cause of the Gospel to our shame, but give welcome to all people in the name of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- A: Almighty God, You breathe hope into the weary and renew Your Church by Your grace. Bless newly planted congregations that they may endure, guide established congregations that they may not lose heart, and build up our Synod that our zeal for Your Kingdom may flourish and prosper according to Your will. Bless all our seminarians beginning their ministries as pastors of Your Church. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.
- P: Almighty God, have mercy and spare us. Put an end to the pandemic, restore all who suffer from the coronavirus, and restore the communities of the world to their common life. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- P: Almighty God, You carry the burdens of our lives in Your hands. Deliver from illness and suffering all who cry to You for release. Hear us on behalf of the sick, the dying and those who mourn whom we now name before Your throne of mercy both aloud and in our hearts. *[pause]* Answer Your people, O Lord, and deliver them from their infirmities and their grief by Your grace. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**
- P: Almighty God, hear Your people for the sake of Him who loved us even to death and who lives to call to Himself all who will be saved. You know what we need and those things we should ask in Your name. Grant them to us for the sake of our crucified, risen and ascended Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Luther's Morning Prayer

We pray together: I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer: Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom, and teach us so to pray: Our Father, who art

Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen

Closing Hymn: LSB 496 – Holy Spirit, Light Divine, v 1-5

Holy Spirit, light divine – Shine upon this heart of mine;

Chase the shades of night away – Turn the darkness into day.

Let me see my Savior's face – Let me all His beauties trace.

Show those glorious truths to me – Which are only known to Thee.

Holy Spirit, pow'r divine - Cleanse this guilty heart of mine

In Thy mercy pity me – From sin's bondage set me free.

Holy Spirit, joy divine – Cheer this saddened heart of mine;

Yield a sacred, settled peace – Let it grow and still increase.

Holy Spirit, all divine – Dwell within this heart of mine;

Cast down ev'ry idol throne – reign supreme, and reign alone.

The Dismissal

Go in peace, and serve the Lord - Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT + As we begin Phase One of the return to normal activity, both congregations will alternate being open on Saturday, from 10:00 Am – 11:00 AM, in order that members who so desire may come to our Sanctuaries to pray, receive personal Absolution and the Lord's Supper. Please be mindful of these provisions:

- + Please enter and exit the Sanctuary through the main doors. All others will remain locked.
- + A Sanitizing Station will be set up as you enter the Sanctuary in order that you may wash your hands prior to entering the Nave and after your visit.
- + Be prepared to wear a mask. If you do not have one, one will be provided. You may return them as you leave; they will be laundered and reused.
 - + Allow the recommended space [6ft] for social distancing from anyone else in the Sanctuary.
- + Once you are ready to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, come to the Altar. You will receive personal Absolution, then the Host [bread] in your hand and an individual cup of Wine. A receptacle will be available to dispose of the individual cup once used.
 - + The schedule:

Good Shepherd – Saturday May 30, June 13, June 27 All Saints – Saturday June 6, June 20

If necessary, additional Saturday availability for Sacrament will be scheduled for July and beyond.

+ Stay with us after worship this morning for a "Virtual Coffee Hour." Grab a cup of coffee and join in with some conversation, or just to see those familiar faces we have missed for so many weeks.

Soli Deo Gloria