

**“St. Philip’s Evangelical Lutheran Church & School”**

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Pastor: Raymond Kimbrough

Principal: Jason Schapekahm

**Welcome, Friend!**

**You Have Come To The Right Place!**

**Jesus Loves YOU!**

**WELCOME**

**Guests and visitors, we invite you to worship with us again in the future.**

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**Worship Theme**

**“He Lives to Pour Out His Spirit”**

Fifty days after the Passover, God’s Old Testament people celebrated Pentecost (Greek for “fifty”). Pentecost commemorated the gathering of the harvest and was also used to remember the giving of the Law on Mt. Sinai, the start of the Church of Israel. Christ chose Pentecost to be the birthday of his New Testament Church too. By pouring out his Holy Spirit, Christ empowered the Church to gather in the great harvest of souls won by the Son.

Pentecost is the third great festival of the Church, along with the Nativity and the Resurrection. The early church fathers mention the Festival of Pentecost often enough to lead many to believe it was celebrated annually already at the time of the apostles. Pentecost closes the fifty-day period after Easter and ends the festival half of the church year. The Church dresses in red this day to remind us of the tongues of fire that marked the Spirit’s gift, as well as the blood of the martyrs which was the seed of the Church.

**Order of Service**

**Opening Hymn: O Day Full of Grace (CWH 477)**

*Please rise*

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen. (spoken)**

**Confession**

**Pastor:** If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**Congregation: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. Let us confess our sins to the Lord. Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

**Pastor:** Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. 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.

**Congregation: Amen. (spoken)**

**Pastor:** In the peace of forgiveness let us praise the Lord.

**Prayer and Praise** *(sung)*

**Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.**

**We praise you, we bless you, we worship you,**

**We glorify you, we give thanks to you, for your great glory,**

**O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.**

**O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

**You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**You take away the sin of the world; receive our prayer**

**You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.**

**For you only are holy; You only are the Lord.**

**You only, O Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

**are most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**Congregation:** And also with you. *(spoken)*

**Prayer of the Day**

**Pastor & Congregation:** Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift 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.

**Amen.** *(spoken)*

*Congregation may be seated.*

**First Lesson: Acts 2:1-21**

*In the Old Testament, God poured out his Spirit onto the prophets so they could reveal his will. On Pentecost, Jesus poured his Spirit onto the Church so they could proclaim his gospel to the world.*

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. <sup>7</sup>Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup>Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome <sup>11</sup>(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" <sup>12</sup>Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine." <sup>14</sup>Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. <sup>15</sup>These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>" 'In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. <sup>19</sup>I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. <sup>20</sup>The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. <sup>21</sup>And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm of the Day – Psalm 104 (selected verses)**

**Reader: How many are your works, Lord!**

Congregation: In wisdom you made them all.

**Reader: All creatures look to you**

Congregation: To give them their food at the proper time.

**Reader: When you give it to them, they gather it up;**

Congregation: when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things.

**Reader: May the glory of the Lord endure forever;**

Congregation: May the Lord rejoice in his works

**Reader: he makes winds his messengers;**

Congregation: flames of fire his servants

**Reader: I will sing to the Lord all my life;**

Congregation: I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

**Reader and Congregation:**

**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.**

**Verse of the Day**

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

**Congregational Response** *(sung)*

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Second Lesson: I Corinthians 12:3-11**

*When God pours out his Spirit it is not only for the benefit of the individual believer. God gives his Spirit to us so that we might be of benefit to the entire Church.*

<sup>3</sup>Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup>There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. <sup>5</sup>There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. <sup>6</sup>There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

<sup>7</sup>Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

**Sermon Hymn:** CWH 585 – Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

*(Please rise for the final stanza.)*

**Sermon Theme:** “The Holy Spirit Comes to You”

**Sermon Text:** John 7:37-39

<sup>37</sup>On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. <sup>38</sup>Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.” <sup>39</sup>By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

**The Nicene Creed**

**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 in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian 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.**

**Our Offering to the Lord**

*Please place your offerings in the basket at the back of church.*

*Online giving is also available from our website or click this link:*

<https://members.myeoffering.com/#/landing>.

**General Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer**

**The Lord’s Supper**

**Participation in the Lord’s Supper:** The Lord’s Supper is described in I Corinthians 11:23-32 as a most precious medicine for the soul. Like all medicines of course, it must be used at the right time for the right purpose by the right person, lest it do more harm than good. For this reason, we ask that all communicants be repentant, confirmed members of the Wisconsin Synod Lutheran Church. Thank you.

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**Congregation:** **And also with you.** *(spoken)*

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

**Congregation:** **We lift them up unto the Lord.** *(spoken)*

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**Congregation:** **It is good and right so to do.** *(spoken)*

**Pastor:** It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on this day kept his promise and poured out the Holy Spirit to empower his Church to proclaim the gospel in all the world. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

**Holy, Holy, Holy** *(sung)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of heavenly hosts: Heav’n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he, blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**The Words of Institution**

**Pastor:**

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

**Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Congregation: Amen.** *(spoken)*

**O Christ, Lamb of God** *(sung)*

**O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us.**

**O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Have mercy on us.**

**O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; Grant us your peace.**

**Amen.**

**The Distribution**

**During Distribution:** *Solo by Willie Mae Reynolds – How Great Thou Art*

**Song of Simeon** *(sung)*

**Lord, now you let your servant depart in peace according to your Word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of your people Israel.**

**Pastor:** O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

**Congregation: And his mercy endures forever.** *(spoken)*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this Holy Supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Congregational Response:** **Amen.** *(spoken)*

**Benediction**

**Congregational Response:** **Amen, Amen, Amen.** *(sung)*

**Closing Hymn:** CWH 593 – Holy Spirit, Light Divine

**"Our Mission Statement"**

**(Our Purpose as a Church)**

Our mission here at St. Philip's Lutheran is outlined for us in Matthew 28:19: 'Go and make disciples of all nations, teaching them and baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.' Making disciples includes proclaiming God's Word in its truth and purity, strengthening the faith of those under our care, and reaching out to the people of our community, (including our unchurched friends and relatives). Let us pray for and work together toward this goal.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR  
THE WEEK OF MAY 28, 2023**

**Guest Pastor:** Pastor Michael Berg. Thank you.

**Organist:** Mrs. Nicole Cottman. Thank you.

**Lay Reader:** Mr. Thomas McNeal. Thank you.

**Next Week: June 4, 2023**

**Piano:** Ms. Emma Schneck

**Lay Reader:** Mr. Thomas McNeal

**WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST. PHILIP'S**

**Sunday, June 4**

**Worship 10:30AM**



**In Our Prayers**

Please keep **Johnnie Patterson** in your prayers as she continues to deal with medical issues. She is currently recovering at home.

If you know of someone who should be added to our prayer request list please contact Pastor Kimbrough at 414-263-1373 or Mrs. Allard at 414-263-7614.

We would love to be able to include others on this list as well.