

THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
THE DAY OF PENTECOST

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SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Hymn ----- Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

CW 177

1. Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest, And make our hearts your place of rest;
Come with your grace and heav'nly aid,
And fill the hearts which you have made.
2. To you, the Counselor, we cry, To you, the gift of God most high;
The fount of life, the fire of love, The soul's anointing from above.
3. Your light to ev'ry thought impart, And shed your love in ev'ry heart;
The weakness of our mortal state With deathless might invigorate.
4. Drive far away our wily foe, And your abiding peace bestow;
If you are our protecting guide, No evil can with us abide.
5. Teach us to know the Father, Son, And you, from both, as Three in One
That we your name may ever bless And in our lives the truth confess.
6. Praise we the Father and the Son And Holy Spirit, with them One,
And may the Son on us bestow The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

Stand.

M: The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship
of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and
penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to
forgive us.

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.

M: 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.

C: Amen.

Praise the Almighty; My Soul, Adore Him

CW 235:1,2

C: Praise the Almighty; my soul, adore him!

Yes, I will laud him until death.

With songs and anthems I'll come before him

As long as he allows me breath.

From him my life and all things came;

Bless, O my soul, his holy name. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Penitent sinners, for mercy crying,

Pardon and peace from him obtain;

Ever the wants of the poor supplying,

Their faithful God he will remain.

He helps his children in distress,

The widows and the fatherless. Alleluia! Alleluia!

DIALOG FROM ROMANS 8

M: So then, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

C: For in Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.

M: The mind-set of the sinful flesh is hostile to God, since it does not submit to God's law, and in fact, it cannot.

C: Those who are in the sinful flesh cannot please God.

M: But you are not in the sinful flesh but in the spirit, if indeed God's Spirit lives in you.

C: If Christ is in you, your spirit is alive because of righteousness.

M: Indeed, those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery so that you are afraid again, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we call out, "Abba, Father!"

C: The Spirit himself joins our spirit in testifying that we are God's children.

Praise the Almighty; My Soul, Adore Him

CW 235:3,4

**C: Trust not in princes, they are but mortal;
Earthborn they are and soon decay.
Vain are their counsels at life's last portal
When the dark grave will claim its prey.
Since, then, no one can help afford,
Trust only Christ, our God and Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Praise, all you people, the name so holy
Of him who does such wondrous things!
All that has being, to praise him solely,
With happy heart its Amen sings!
Children of God, with angel host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

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.



Be seated.

THE WORD

First Lesson ----- Genesis 11:1-9

The whole earth had one language and a single vocabulary. As people traveled in the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they settled there. They said to one another, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used mud brick instead of stone for building material, and they used tar for mortar. They said, "Come, let's build a city for ourselves and a tower whose top reaches to the sky, and let's make a name for ourselves, so that we will not be scattered abroad

over the face of the whole earth."

The LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the people were building. The LORD said, "If this is the first thing they are doing as one people, who all have one language, then nothing that they intend to do will be too difficult for them. Come, let's go down there and confuse their language, so that they cannot understand one another's speech."

So the LORD scattered them from there over

the face of the whole earth, and they stopped building the city. It was named Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of the

whole earth. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

Psalm of the Day ----- Psalm 51b

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Refrain

Come, Holy Spirit, renew our hearts and kindle in us the fire of your love.

O Lord, open my lips,*
and my mouth will declare your praise.

You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;*
you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;*
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Refrain

Create in me a pure heart, O God,*
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me from your presence*
or take your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,*
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways,*
and sinners will turn back to you.

**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.**

Refrain

Second Lesson ----- Acts 2:1–21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the rushing of a violent wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw divided tongues that were like fire resting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, since the Spirit was giving them the ability to speak fluently.

Now there were godly Jewish men from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. When this sound was heard, a crowd came together and was confused, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were completely baffled and said to each other, “Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them speaking in his own native language? Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, and of Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya around Cyrene; visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes; Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring in our own languages the wonderful works of God.” They were all amazed and perplexed. They kept saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others mocked them and said, “They

are full of new wine.”

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and spoke loudly and clearly to them: “Men of Judea, and all you residents of Jerusalem, understand this, and listen closely to my words. These men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day. On the contrary, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

This is what God says will happen in the
last days:

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.

Your sons and your daughters will prophesy.

Your young men will see visions.

Your old men will dream dreams.

Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

I will show wonders in the sky above,

and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and a rising cloud of smoke.

The sun will be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and

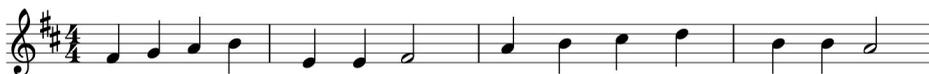
glorious day of the Lord.

And this will happen: Everyone who calls on
the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Verse of the Day

From the antiphon: Come Holy Spirit

Tune: CW 183



C: Ho-ly Spir-it come, we pray, Fill our hearts and minds to-day.



Come to us from heav'n a-bove; Kin-dle in us fie-ry love.

Stand.

Gospel ----- **John 15:26-27**

“When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father—he will testify

about me. And you also are going to testify, because you have been with me from the beginning.”

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated.

Hymn of the Day ----- **Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord**

CW 176

1. Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord! May all your graces be 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 ev'ry tongue;
This to your praise, O Lord our God, be sung: Alleluia! Alleluia!

2. Come, holy Light, Guide divine, And 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!

3. Come, holy Fire, Comfort true; Grant us the will your work 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 to you, our Lord, ascend. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Sermon ----- John 15:26-27

God the Holy Spirit Proclaims the Gospel for All People

Stand.

Nicene Creed

C: 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 fully 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 worshiped 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.

Be seated.

Offering

Stand.

Prayer of the Church

M: Praise to you, Holy Spirit. We worship and glorify you as the Lord and the giver of life. As you were present at the beginning of the world to shed life on all created things, as you gave a new life of understanding to the disciples in your Pentecost baptism of fire, so by the baptism of water with the Word, you have made the light of faith shine in our hearts to know Jesus as our Lord.

In thanksgiving for your gifts to us, we confess:

C: 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.

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of the Gospel here and around the world.

M: Holy Spirit, all-seeing Counselor and fountain of all spiritual gifts, stand by us in the weakness of our sinful flesh. Grant us a right understanding of the truths that Jesus taught. Give us strength to endure with patience whatever afflictions God may send into our lives. Help us, intercede for us, train us that we may pray to the Father with boldness and confidence. Preserve us by the power of your Word in our most holy faith as members of the Church, the body of Jesus, where there is forgiveness for all.

C: In this Christian Church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.

M: Holy Spirit, highest comfort in every need, in these gray and last days of the world, strengthen our feeble hands, steady our weak knees, encourage our fearful hearts. Remind us of your Word and promises: “Be strong; do not fear. Your Lord will come again. He will come to save you.” And in your final, mighty, creative act, O Holy Spirit, raise up our bodies so that we, together with all the saints, may lift up our heads and with glorified eyes see our Savior drawing near.

C: On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true. Amen.

Lord's Prayer

C: 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.

THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.



C: **And al - so with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts



C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, he empowered his Church to be witnesses of Christ to the ends of the earth.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

Holy, Holy, Holy



C: **Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.**



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -



va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

Words of Institution

M: 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."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C: A - men.

O Christ, Lamb of God



C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us your peace. A - men.

Be seated.

DISTRIBUTION

In Holy Communion we believe that Jesus gives us his own body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of our sins. We ask that, in keeping with God's Word, only confirmed members who are in confessional unity with our church (WELS and ELS) would come forward to receive this sacrament. If you have any questions or are interested in communicant membership, please speak with the pastor.

During the distribution, the congregation sings the following hymns:

Hymn ----- O Holy Spirit, Enter In
CW 184

1. O Holy Spirit, enter in And in our hearts your work begin,
Your dwelling place now make us.
Sun of the soul, O Light divine, Around and in us brightly shine,
To joy and gladness wake us
That we May be Truly living, To you giving Prayer unceasing
And in love be still increasing.

2. Give to your Word impressive pow'r
 That in our hearts from this good hour
 As fire it may be glowing,
 That in true Christian unity We faithful witnesses may be,
 Your glory ever showing.
 Hear us, Cheer us By your teaching; Let our preaching And our labor
 Praise you, Lord, and serve our neighbor.

3. O mighty Rock, O Source of life, Let your dear Word, in doubt and strife,
 In us be strongly burning
 That we be faithful unto death And live in love and holy faith,
 From you true wisdom learning.
 Your grace And peace On us shower; By your power Christ confessing,
 Let us see our Savior's blessing.

Hymn ----- Come, Oh, Come, Life-Giving Spirit
 CW 181

1. Come, oh, come, life-giving Spirit, God from all eternity!
 May your power never fail us; Dwell within us constantly.
 Then shall truth and life and light Banish all the gloom of night.

2. Show us, Lord, the path of blessing; When we trespass on our way,
 Cast, O Lord, our sins behind you And be with us day by day.
 Should we stray, O Lord, recall; Work repentance when we fall.

3. With our spirit, Lord, bear witness That we are the saints of God
 Who rely upon him solely When we're chastened by the rod;
 For we know, as children should, That the cross is for our good.

4. Prompt us, Lord, to come before him With a childlike heart to pray;
 Sigh for us, O Holy Spirit, When we know not what to say.
 Then our prayer is not in vain, And our faith new strength shall gain.

5. Grant our hearts in fullest measure Wisdom, counsel, purity,
That we always strive to please you, Working for you willingly.
Let the gospel spread and grow, Bringing Satan's overthrow.

THANKSGIVING

Stand.

Thank the Lord



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud - ly bear his name.



He re - news his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Be seated.

Hymn ----- O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace

CW 185

1. O Holy Spirit, grant us grace
That we our Lord and Savior
In faith and fervent love embrace
And truly serve him ever,
So that when death is near at hand
We at his cross may firmly stand
And there find our salvation.

2. **Help us that we your saving Word
In faithful hearts may treasure;
Let e'er that bread of life afford
New grace in richest measure.
Make us to die to ev'ry sin;
Each day create us new within
That fruits of faith may flourish.**

3. **Then when our earthly race is run,
Death's bitter hour impending,
May your good work in us begun
Continue till life's ending,
Until we gladly may commend
Our souls into our Savior's hand
To rest in peace eternal.**

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