

**St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Pentecost  
May 31, 2020**

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**PRELUDE**

**GATHERING**

**THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are raised with him to new life. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God for in the beginning you created us in your image and planted us in a well-watered garden.

**In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched, and you gave us water from the rock.**

When we did not know the way, you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.

**At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.**

We praise you for your salvation through water, for the water in this font, and for all water everywhere.

**Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love. Satisfy the thirsty and give us the life only you can give.**

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

**GATHERING SONG**

*"Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord"*

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1. **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 ev'ry tongue, this to your praise, O Lord, our God, be sung: Alleluia! Alleluia!**
2. **Come, holy Light, guide divine, now cause the word of life to shine. Teach us to know our God aright as loving Father, our delight. From ev'ry error keep us free; let non but Christ our teacher 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**

**GREETING**

Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE**

*“Glory to God”*

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Leader: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you,  
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit  
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray together.

**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 judgement 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****CHILDREN’S MESSAGE****FIRST READING**

**Acts 2:1-21**

*When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” But 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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the*

*morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: '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. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'*

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 104:24-34, 35b**

O LORD, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there,  
 living things both small and great.**

There go the ships,  
 and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

**These all look to you  
 to give them their food in due season;**

when you give to them, they gather it up;

when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

**When you hide your face, they are dismayed;  
 when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

When you send forth your spirit, they are created;  
 and you renew the face of the ground.

**May the glory of the LORD endure forever;  
 may the LORD rejoice in his works—**

who looks on the earth and it trembles,

who touches the mountains and they smoke.

**I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;  
 I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

May my meditation be pleasing to him,  
 for I rejoice in the LORD.

**Bless the LORD, O my soul.  
 Praise the LORD!**

### **SECOND READING**

### **1 Corinthians 12:3-13**

*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. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts*

*of healing by the one Spirit, 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. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. 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. 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.*

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
 You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

## **GOSPEL**

**John 20:19-23**

The Holy Gospel according to John in the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you O Lord.**

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

This is the Gospel of our Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **SERMON**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*"Spirit of Gentleness"*

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*Refrain:* **Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;  
 Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**

1. **You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,  
 then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;  
 and over the eons you called to each thing:  
 "Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings."  
 Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;  
 Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**
2. **You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,  
 and you goaded your people with a law and a land;  
 and when they were blinded with idols and lies,  
 then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.  
 Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;  
 Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**

3. You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,  
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;  
and down in the city you called once again,  
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.  
**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**
4. You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.  
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;  
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.  
With bold new decisions your people arise.  
**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness calling and free;  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**

### **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.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*Petitions end:* Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS****MEAL****MUSICAL OFFERING**

*"Walking in the Spirit"*  
*performed by the Battiste Family*

Mark Hayes

**GREAT THANKSGIVING** *(spoken)*

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.**

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:

**SANCTUS**

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
 heav'n and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

God of Pentecost flames, Creator of all ... proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

And so according to Christ's command we remember ... the day of his return in triumph.

**Amen. Come Lord Jesus.**

Send now into our hearts ... proclaim God's Good News to all the world.

**Amen. Come Holy Spirit.**

With tongues afire, ... now and forever.

**Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

**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.**

**PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION**

*"Lamb of God"*

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

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

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace. Amen.**

**SHARING OF COMMUNION**

Let us take together the body of Christ, given for us. *(all eat bread)*

Let us take together the blood of Christ, shed for us. *(all drink)*

**COMMUNION HYMN**

*"O Holy Spirit, Root of Life"*

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1. **O Holy Spirit, root of life, creator, cleanser of all things:  
anoint our wounds, awake us with lustrous movement of your wings.**
2. **Eternal vigor, Saving One, you free us by your living Word,  
becoming flesh to wear our pain, and all creation is restored.**
3. **O holy Wisdom, soaring pow'r, encompass us with wings unfurled,  
and carry us, encircling all above, below, and through the world.**

**TABLE BLESSING**

*At the conclusion: Amen*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

*At the conclusion: Amen*

**SENDING****BENEDICTION**

*At the conclusion: Amen*

**SENDING SONG**

*"O Day Full of Grace"*

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1. **O day full of grace that now we see appearing on earth's horizon,  
bring light from our God that we may be abundant in joy this season.  
God, shine for us now in this dark place: your name on our hearts emblazon.**
2. **O day full of grace, O blessed time, our Lord on the earth arriving:  
then came to the world that light sublime great joy for us all retrieving;  
for Jesus all mortals did embrace, all shame and despair removing.**
3. **For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, when he on the cross was hanging:  
and then he arose and moved the stone, that we, unto him belonging,  
might join with angelic hosts to raise our voices in endless singing.**

4. **God came to us then at Pentecost, the Spirit new life revealing,  
that we might no more in death be lost, its power over us dispelling.  
This flame will the mark of sin efface and bring to us all true healing.**
5. **When we on that final journey go that Christ is for us preparing,  
we'll gather in song, our hearts a glow, all joy of the heavens sharing,  
and there we will join God's endless praise, with angels and saints adoring.**

**DISMISSAL**

Christ is risen, just as he said. Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**