



Pentecost derives its name from the Jewish festival celebrating the harvest and the giving of the law on Mount Sinai fifty days after Passover. Fifty days after Easter, we celebrate the Holy Spirit as God's presence within and among us. In Acts the Spirit arrives in rushing wind and flame, bringing God's presence to all people. Paul reminds us that though we each have different capacities, we are unified in the Spirit that equips us with these gifts. Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit on his disciples, empowering them to forgive sin. We celebrate that we too are given the breath of the Holy Spirit and sent out to proclaim God's redeeming love to all the world.

WELCOME TO GUESTS AND VISITORS! We are glad you could join us for worship today. We hope that you are blessed by the Word and Sacraments that we share. We encourage you to participate as fully as you can. The screen in front will guide you. If desired, musical notation can be found as noted in the outline below. (The “#” indicates hymn numbers in red *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* hymnal, and “SB” indicate page numbers in the “Song Book” pamphlet. The vertical line in the left margin indicates when we stand as we are able.)

HOLY COMMUNION WITH SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

“It is taught that the true body and blood of Christ are truly present under the form of bread and wine in the Lord’s Supper and are distributed and received there” (Augsburg Confession, Article X)· “A person who has faith in these words, ‘given for you’ and ‘shed for you for the forgiveness of sins,’ is really worthy and well prepared.” “Forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation are given to us in the sacrament” (The Small Catechism, Part VI)· “This church practices Eucharistic hospitality. All baptized persons are welcomed to Communion” (The Use of the Means of Grace, Principle 50)·

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Pentecost Greeting & Welcome & Introduction to the Day

786 **Gathering Song** *O Holy Spirit, Enter In* 🎵

— **Pentecost Litany** (*Veni, Sancte Spiritu* paraphr. by A. Petti)

p. 147 **Greeting**

p. 148 **Canticle of Praise** *This is the Feast of Victory* 🎵

p. 150 **Prayer of the Day**

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 judgment 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.

— **Musical Offering**

p. 151 **First Reading** **Acts 2:1-21**

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, the apostles were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷“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.

¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ”

— **Psalmody Psalm 104:25-35, 37**

²⁵O LORD, how manifold are your works!

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

²⁶**Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to
number, creatures both small and great.**

²⁷There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan,
which you have made for the sport of it.

²⁸**All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.**

²⁹You give it to them; they gather it;
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

³⁰**You hide your face, and they are terrified;
you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.**

³¹You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.

³²**May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
may the LORD rejoice in all his works.**

³³He looks at the earth and it trembles;
he touches the mountains and they smoke.

³⁴**I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.**

³⁵May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the LORD.

³⁷**Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!**

p. 151 Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

^{3b}No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are
varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of
activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to
another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to
another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one
Spirit, ¹⁰to 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. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹²For 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.

¹³For 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.

— **Gospel Acclamation**

p. 151 Gospel John 20:19-23

¹⁹When 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.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

— **Sermon**

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LECTIO SEMI-CONTINUA (LBW)**Pentecost and Following****Sunday**

Deuteronomy 16:9-12
 Acts 4:18-21, 23-33
 John 4:19-26

Monday

Ezekiel 33:1-11
 1 John 1:1-10
 Matthew 9:27-34

Tuesday

Ezekiel 33:21-33
 1 John 2:1-11
 Matthew 9:35--10:4

Wednesday

Ezekiel 34:1-16
 1 John 2:12-17
 Matthew 10:5-15

Thursday

Ezekiel 37:21b-28
 1 John 2:18-29
 Matthew 10:16-23

Friday

Ezekiel 39:21-29
 1 John 3:1-10
 Matthew 10:24-33

Saturday

Ezekiel 47:1-12
 1 John 3:11-18
 Matthew 10:34-42

READINGS THIS WEEK (ELW)

Mon – June 1	Joel 2:18-29	Romans 8:18-24	Psalm 104:24-34,35b
Or Monday June 1 – Visit of Mary to Elizabeth (transferred) Readings 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Psalm 113 Romans 12:9-16b; Luke 1:39-57 Prayer of the Day Mighty God, by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary and greeted her as the mother of the Lord: look with favor on your lowly servants that, with Mary, we may magnify your holy name and rejoice to acclaim her Son as our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.			
Tue – June 2	Ezekiel 39:7-8, 21-29	Romans 8:26-27	Psalm 104:24-34,35b
Wed – June 3	Numbers 11:24-30	John 7:37-39	Psalm 104:24-34,35B
Thu – June 4	Job 28:1-11	2 Timothy 1:8-12a	Psalm 8
Fri – June 5	Job 38:12-21	2 Timothy 1:12b-14	Psalm 8
Sat – June 6	Job 38:22-38	John 14:15-17	Psalm 8

Sunday June 7 – The Holy Trinity—First Sunday After Pentecost**Readings**

Genesis 1:1–2:4a; Psalm 8

2 Corinthians 13:11–13; Matthew 28:16–20

Prayer of the Day

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

MOTHERS & FATHER IN THE FAITH (UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS)

Visit of Mary to Elizabeth—Sunday, May 31, 2020

This festival marks the occasion when Mary, pregnant with Jesus, visited her cousin Elizabeth who was herself pregnant with John. Elizabeth pronounced Mary "blessed among women," and Mary responded with the song called the Magnificat.

Justin, martyr at Rome, died around 165—Monday, June 1, 2020

Born of pagan parents, Justin was influenced by an elderly Christian in Ephesus. He became a teacher of philosophy and the Christian faith.

Jailed for practicing an unauthorized religion, he refused to renounce his faith and was beheaded.

The Martyrs of Uganda, died 1886—Wednesday, June 3, 2020

On June 3, 1886, thirty-two young men were burned to death for refusing to renounce Christianity. The confident manner in which these Christians went to their deaths contributed to a much stronger Christian presence in Uganda.

John XXIII, Bishop of Rome, died 1963—Wednesday, June 3, 2020

When elected pope, the former Angelo Roncalli was expected to be a short-term caretaker. He showed great spirit, though, and convened the Second Vatican Council which helped bring great changes to Roman Catholic and other churches.

Boniface, Bishop of Mainz, missionary to Germany, martyr, died 754—Friday, June 5, 2020

Boniface was a native of England who became a Benedictine monk and was called to missionary work among the Vandal tribes of Germany.

With fellow workers, he established churches and schools, and he also worked to reform the church.

WORSHIP SERVICES WITH SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

*As of May 19, 2020, by action of the Congregation Council
of Saint John Lutheran Church,*

**In-person Worship Attendance
remains at a maximum of ten
per worship service,
by reservation only.**

The Congregation Council is reviewing this policy weekly in an effort to maintain the safety of all. See the congregation's web-site for the most up-to-date and accurate information. Please call a member of the Congregation Council with questions or comments.

Regular Worship Times:

- **Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.**
- **Thursday, 1:30 p.m.**
- **Sunday, 9:00 a.m.**
- **Sunday 10:30 a.m.**

All In-Person Worship Is By Reservation Only

Each week, Saint John Lutheran Church is **open for worship**, but only by reservation at this time. You must call Pastor Bond (608-208-0283) in advance, and reservations are “first-come, first-served.” 24-hour-in-advance contact would be appreciated.

Opportunities for viewing the worship service include:

- The worship service can be viewed **live** on Sunday at 9:00 on Facebook, www.facebook.com/sjlc.elca
- A video recording of the worship service is available for viewing at your convenience, usually by Monday morning, at your congregation's web-site, www.sjlc-elca.org
- The worship service is broadcast on JATV, cable channel 994, one week delayed on Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

A Holy Rumbling

Helene's foot pressed down; her heel held long and steady on the organ's pedal board. The bellows in the basement blew air through ducts up to the biggest pipes, and there was a rumble. A rumble that wiggled lead in the windows. A rumble that wobbled the chandelier, rattled coins in the offering plates, and made the walls shudder. A rumble that troubled the baptismal font waters and stirred flames on altar candles. And it was a rumble that resonated in the hearts of that little church assembly every Sunday when, before their last amen, the congregation began to breathe the words and melody of the hymn they knew by heart:

Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life anew,
that I may love all that you love and do what you would do.

Then the doors were opened. Women picked up their purses, children collected their crayons, the men stretched their legs. A voice sounded: "Go in peace. Serve the Lord." And the people said, "Thanks be to God."

Jesus joined the disciples and said, "Peace be with you" (John 20:19, 21). How could it be? The doors were locked. The disciples had assembled in fear. The light of day was spent. How could it be that he entered into such a place, where the end of so much had made no room for peace? And how did it happen that though they were crowded into hiding and imprisoned by walls of sadness, peace came to be with them?

We, too, are visited by the holy mystery of the Spirit of God despite the closed doors of our hearts, minds, and lives. It is the sudden rumbling of the Spirit—the divine breath that first gave life to creation—that stirs us to pray:

Breathe on me, breath of God; fill me with life anew,
that I may love all that you love and do what you would do.

—Edwin Hatch, 1835–1889

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