

*"I will pour out my Spirit  
on all people."*

Joel 2:28, NIV



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**WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE** May God's Holy Spirit equip you with everything good for doing his will!

*Thank you for joining us for worship. If you have any questions about our service or practice, please feel free to ask one of the ushers or a pastor.*

- Tune into KFIZ AM 1450 each Sunday morning at 8:00 to hear the current weekend's sermon.
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- Visitors, we are pleased that you have joined us this morning. Please fill out a Visitor Card and hand it to an usher. Feel free to inquire about our congregation through the pastors, one of the ushers, or one of the members. If you are a visitor from out of town, please be sure to introduce yourself to one of the pastors after the service. We welcome all of you to come and worship with us again.

**HOLY COMMUNION** Today we have the privilege of receiving Christ's true body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Through this sacrament the Holy Spirit seals to us the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation for the strengthening of our faith. Scriptures also teach that as we commune together, we are publicly testifying to a complete unity of faith based on a confession of all of God's Word. For this reason, we respectfully request that all of those who are not members of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod or our sister Evangelical Lutheran Synod, please speak with one of the pastors before communing with us. Thank you.

**A PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP** Holy Spirit, God of love, who our darkness brightens, poured on us from heaven above and our faith enlightens, in your light we gather here; show us that Christ's promise clear is Amen forever. Jesus, our ascended Lord, oh, fulfill your gracious Word; bless us with your favor! Amen.

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**SERVICE THEME**

The Spirit Marches Victorious Through the Word

**ORDER OF WORSHIP***Setting One* | 154, 156-160, 161-170**OPENING HYMN***O Day Full of Grace* | 477**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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.

**All: Amen.****FIRST LESSON**

Genesis 11:1-9

*At Babel sin led to God confusing people's language. Grace would lead God to share the gospel in many languages on Pentecost.*

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. <sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup>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."

<sup>5</sup>The LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the people were building. <sup>6</sup>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. <sup>7</sup>Come, let's go down there and confuse their language, so that they cannot understand one another's speech." <sup>8</sup>So the LORD scattered them from there over the face of the whole

earth, and they stopped building the city. <sup>9</sup>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.

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

## SECOND LESSON

Acts 2:1-21

*On Pentecost the disciples proclaimed the gospel. Through their words the Holy Spirit unleashed his power*

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound like the rushing of a violent wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>They saw divided tongues that were like fire resting on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>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.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were godly Jewish men from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>When this sound was heard, a crowd came together and was confused, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. <sup>7</sup>They were completely baffled and said to each other, “Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>Then how is it that each of us hears them speaking in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, and of Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya around Cyrene; visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes; <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring in our own languages the wonderful works of God.” <sup>12</sup>They were all amazed and perplexed. They kept saying to one another,

**All: “What does this mean?”**

<sup>13</sup>But others mocked them and said,

**All: “They are full of new wine.”**

<sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>These men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup>On the contrary, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>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.

<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 sky above, and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and a rising cloud 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 this will happen: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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## GOSPEL

John 14:23-27

*Through his Word Jesus sends us the Holy Spirit and gives us peace.*

Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will hold on to my word. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. <sup>24</sup>The one who does not love me does not hold on to my words. The word that you are hearing is not mine, but it is from the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup>“I have told you these things while staying with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I told you.

<sup>27</sup>“Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, and do not let it be afraid.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord | 585*

**“You’re Speaking My Language”**

*Pastor Boehringer*

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**PRESENTING OF OUR OFFERING**

**THE SACRAMENT**

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**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

*Come, You Thankful People, Come | 491*

*What Wondrous Love Is This | 526*

**CLOSING HYMN**

*O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace | 591*



**ORGANIST**

Erin Achey

**GREETERS**

8:00 ~ Warren & Mary Demmon

10:00 ~ Larry Debbert