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WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE May Christ's Holy Spirit fill your heart with peace.

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.

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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.

SERVICE THEME

He Lives to Pour Out His Spirit

OPENING HYMN

O Day Full of Grace | 477

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Setting One | 154

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

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CONFESSION

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

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.

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. **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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. **Amen.**

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.

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

⁵Now there were godly Jewish men from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶When this sound was heard, a crowd came together and was confused, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. ⁷They were completely baffled and said to each other, "Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them speaking in his own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, and of Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya around Cyrene; visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes; ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring in our own languages the wonderful works of God." ¹²They were all amazed and perplexed. They kept saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others mocked them and said, "They are full of new wine."

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

¹⁷This 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.

18 Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.

19 I will show wonders in the sky above,
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and a rising cloud of smoke.

20 The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

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

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GRADES PREK-7 SONG

"God is Love" by Dale Witte

Tiny hand, newborn Babe, grabs the pinky of His mom; In her arms, swaddled tight, angel voices in the night: "Gloria! All is well! God's Son has come to earth! Go and see, tell the story of His birth!"

Thirty years, miracles, changing water into wine, Thirty coins, standing trial all a part of God's design. Lamb of God, innocent, gave His perfect life for mine. O how wide and how deep is His love!

Refrain: God is love! Let the angels sing again!
God is love! Let all people shout "Amen!"
Dear friends, let us love, with the Love that comes from heav'n.
God is love!

Broken heart, broken home, broken promises again, "Got no friends, got no life, what's the use? I never win." Troubled thoughts, crying out, hiding deep inside my skin "No one knows, no one cares what shape I'm in."

There is One who has walked in your steps with bitter pain, Friends betrayed, ran away, spit on Him and called Him names. Now He reigns at God's side and will one day call your name: "Come on home! Rest with Me in My love!" *Refrain*

You know my sordid story, yet give me future glory, Fill me with Your love for all! Teach me to love my brother, Help me to love my sister, hold me close, lest I fall.

In this world, some think love comes from us and not from You.

They use "love" like a right and do what they want to do.

How do I show Your love when the world won't honor You?

Teach me, Lord, that my strength is found in You.

Let Your Word be my guide, Jesus, by my source of Truth.

Let your Spirit reside in my heart in age and youth.

Father, show me your pow'r ev'ry time I worship You.

Fill me with your love! *Refrain*

SECOND LESSON

1 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.

Therefore I am informing you that no one speaking by God's Spirit says, "A curse be upon Jesus," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴There are various kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵There are different kinds of ministries, and yet the same Lord. ⁶There are various kinds of activity, but the same God, who produces all of them in everyone.

⁷Each person is given a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one person a message of wisdom is given by the Spirit; to another, a message of knowledge, as the same Spirit provides it; ⁹by the same Spirit, faith is given to someone else; and to another, the same Spirit gives healing gifts. ¹⁰Another is given powers to do miracles; another, the gift of prophecy; another, the evaluating of spirits; someone else, different kinds of tongues; and another, the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹One and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them to each one individually as he desires.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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GRADES K-2

"Oh. How He Loves You and Me" LAPPY 218

Oh, how he loves you and me; Oh, how he loves you and me. He gave his life what more could he give? Oh, how he loves you; Oh, how he loves me; Oh, how he loves you and me.

Jesus to Calv'ry did go, His love for sinners to show. What he did there brought hope from despair. Oh, how he loves you; Oh, how he loves me; Oh, how he loves you and me.

GOSPEL John 7:37-39

Jesus promised that those who were spiritually thirsty would be filled with living water. Jesus kept this promise when he poured out his Spirit on the Day of Pentecost.

On the last and most important day of the festival, Jesus stood up and called out, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink! ³⁸As the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from deep within the person who believes in me." ³⁹By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were going to receive. For the Holy Spirit had not yet come, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Lord, Our God, Your Gracious Hand | 909

"God Is Love"

Pastor Boehringer

APOSTLES' CREED

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I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GATHERING OF OUR OFFERING

LORD'S PRAYER & BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, Bless Your Word to All the Young | 762

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