

PREPARATION

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Ginny Niebuhr, Liturgist

ADORATION

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice in the Lord always!

Again, I will say, rejoice!

Do not worry about anything,

But in everything by prayer with thanksgiving

let your requests be made known to God.

And the peace of God, which passes all understanding,

Will guard your hearts and your minds in

Christ Jesus.

*OPENING HYMN #319

“SPIRIT”

CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAAYER OF CONFESSION

Without your power, O God, we are lost. We have done the things we should avoid, and what you desire we have not done. By your purifying fire transform our lives. Guide us into honesty and compassion, so that, filled with your peace, our dreams and visions may be one with yours; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

A MOMENT FOR SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH”

(words on wall)

OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

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*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Philippians 4:4-9 Pg. 1071

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL Children ages 6 through 5th grade

*HYMN #322 “SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD”

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 2:1-21 pg. 992

¹ When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² 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. ³

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

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷

Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia,

Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,

¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another,

“What does this mean?” ¹³ But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

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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.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women,

in those days I will pour out my Spirit,

and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above

and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON

DEDICATION

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from a Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***HYMN #464**

"JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE"

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

***CLOSING RESPONSE**

"GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN"

***POSTLUDE**

*Please stand if you are able

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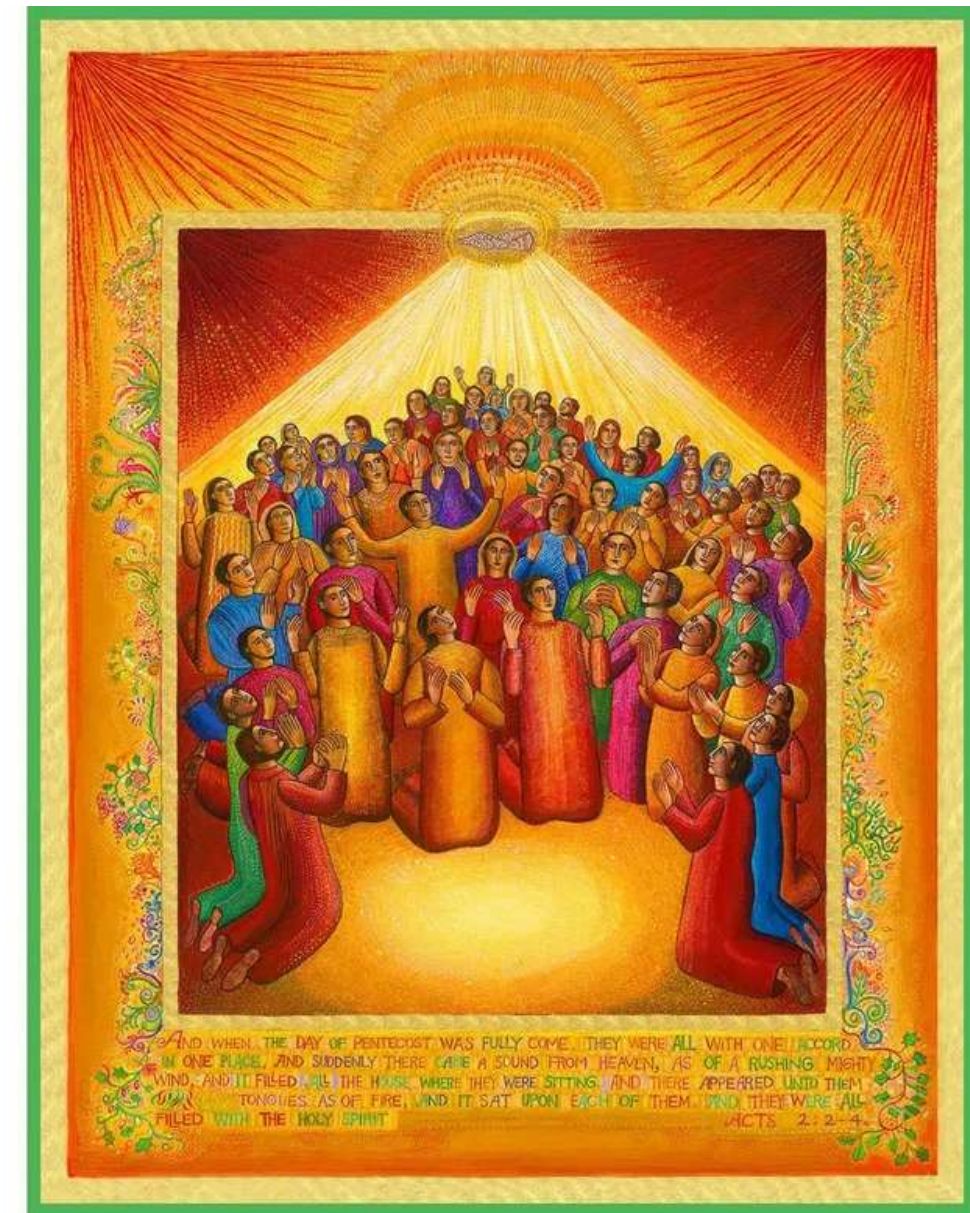
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 Enrich our personal and congregational spiritual growth, joyfully embrace visitors and each other in the fellowship of a spiritual family, increase knowledge about our faith, reach out to serve and include our diverse community, and respond to God's call to serve those in need.

May 24, 2026 – May 31, 2026

SUNDAY	PENTECOST SUNDAY
MONDAY	Salvation Army Monday Serving Team
TUESDAY	The Bell Choir Practice, 5:30 PM, Room 214-216
WEDNESDAY	Men's Breakfast, 7:30 AM, America's Kitchen Meals on Wheels, Noon
THURSDAY	Girls Night Out, 5:30 PM, Social Tap Chancel Ensemble, 6:30 PM, sanctuary
NEXT SUNDAY	9:00 Ida Austin Class, online 9:15 Quest Bible Study, parlor 9:30 Sunday School Class, chapel 11:00 Worship 12:00 Worship Ministry Meeting, library 12:00 Missions Ministry Meeting, parlor

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