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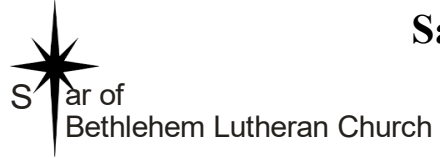
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John 15:27a

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Worship Service

Sunday, June 9, 2019 10:00 a.m.

The Day of PENTECOST

Theme of the day: The fifty days have passed and the promised Holy Spirit is poured out upon the Bride of Christ. The once-hidden gospel is no longer the possession of a chosen few. For the Spirit enables the message of salvation to enflame hearts for bearing witness to the ends of the earth.

WELCOME

A warm welcome to our friends and visitors! Star of Bethlehem Lutheran Church is eager to share with you the blessings of its Christ-centered ministry. If you are a new or long-time resident of the Central Coast looking for a church home, we invite you to meet with us at the close of this worship service or at your convenience. All are welcome to stay for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

Families are encouraged to worship together. If you need to step out with your children, the service can be seen and heard in the fellowship hall or narthex area. Feel free to enter and return at any time.

OUR MISSION

Our congregation exists for the purpose of "HOLDING OUT THE WORD OF LIFE." This is accomplished by faithfully preserving and proclaiming all of God's inerrant word, and administering the Sacraments as they were instituted by Christ.

The Service of the Word

OPENING HYMN: # 336 “Come unto Me, Ye Weary”

♪ **“Come unto me, ye weary, And I will give you rest.”**
O blessed voice of Jesus, Which comes to hearts oppressed!
It tells of benediction, Of pardon, grace, and peace,
Of joy that has no ending, Of love that cannot cease.

“Come unto me, ye wand’rers, And I will give you light.”
O loving voice of Jesus, Which comes to cheer the night!
Our hearts were filled with sadness, And we had lost our way;
But thou hast brought us gladness And songs at break of day.

“Come unto me, ye fainting, And I will give you life.”
O cheering voice of Jesus, Which comes to aid our strife!
The foe is stern and eager; The fight is fierce and long;
But thou hast made us mighty And stronger than the strong.

Please stand for last verse:

“And whosoever cometh, I will not cast him out.”
O patient love of Jesus, Which drives away our doubt,
Which, though we be unworthy Of love so great and free,
Invites us very sinners To come, dear Lord, to thee!

Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.** (*spoken*)

CONFESSIOIN OF SINS

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven lines of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e - ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for - ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him." The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some phrases spanning across bar lines.

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -
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M: O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

C:  Amen.

Please be seated.

FIRST LESSON: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: “Are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in his own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.”

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.

¹⁵ These men are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ “ ‘In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and 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 heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows 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 everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 51

Refrain

Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, re - new our hearts and
kin - dle in us the fire of your love.

Psalm tone

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O Lord, open my lips,*
and my mouth will declare your praise.

You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;*
you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;*
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Refrain

Create in me a pure heart, O God,*
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me from your presence*
or take your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,*
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways,*
and sinners will turn back to you.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

Verse of the Day:

M: Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people,
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

C: ♪ Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**These words are written that we may believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

GOSPEL LESSON: John 15:26,27

**²⁶“When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the
Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, he will
testify about me. ²⁷ And you also must testify, for you have been
with me from the beginning.**

HYMN: # 188 “Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid”

♪ **Creator Spirit, by whose aid
The world’s foundations first were laid,
Come, visit ev’ry humble mind;
Come, pour your joys on humankind.
From sin and sorrow set us free;
May we your living temples be.**

**O Source of light, our Counselor,
The Father’s help to us assure.
Come down, as promised, with your fire,
And hearts with heav’nly love inspire.
Your sacred, healing message bring
To sanctify us when we sing.**

**Giver of grace, descend from high
In answer to our earnest cry.
Help us eternal truths receive And practice all that we believe.
Give us your wisdom that we see The glory of the Trinity.**

**Immortal honor, endless fame,
Attend th’ almighty Father’s name;
The Savior-Son be glorified, Who for all humankind has died;
And equal adoration rise To you, O Spirit, in the skies.**

SERMON: Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. ² As men moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.

³ They said to each other, “Come, let’s make bricks and bake them thoroughly.” They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves and not be scattered over the face of the whole earth.”

⁵ But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the men were building. ⁶ The LORD said, “If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.”

⁸ So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. ⁹ That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

Apostles’ Creed - Third Article

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.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him.

But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian Church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.

On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

Hymn: # 183 “Holy Spirit, Light Divine”

♪ **Holy Spirit, Light divine, Shine upon this heart of mine;
Chase the gloom of night away; Turn the darkness into day.**

**Holy Spirit, Love divine, Cleanse this guilty heart of mine;
In your mercy pity me; From sin’s bondage set me free.**

**Holy Spirit, Joy divine, Cheer this saddened heart of mine;
Fill me with your heav’nly peace; Let it grow and still increase.**

**Holy Spirit, Pow’r divine, Dwell within this heart of mine;
Cast down ev’ry idol throne; Reign supreme and reign alone.**

**See, to you I give my heart; Cleanse my life in ev’ry part;
Your own temple I would be Now and for eternity.**

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD’S PRAYER

C: 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.

**M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

C: ♪ Amen. Amen. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: # 564 “There Is a Balm”

♪ **There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.**

**Sometimes I feel discouraged And think my work’s in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit Revives my soul again.**

**There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.**

**If you cannot preach like Peter, If you cannot pray like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus And say he died for all.**

**There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS for today’s service were given to the glory of God by Terry and Chris Oberg.

PRAYERS Pray for: Gordon Hillberg, Shawn Lozano, John Velasques, Douglas Ward, Ruth Fabian, little Elias, Albert Nunez, Judy Moore, Don (Turk) Oberg, Andrew Alba, and Shawna Bushey (Carol Powell’s daughter).

MISSION OFFERING Unless otherwise noted, the mission offerings for these six months will be directed to Student Assistance Fund for Martin Luther College, our training school for future pastors and teachers in our synod.

Good Shepherd Bible Camp: July 14-20, grades 4-10. For more information and registration forms:

www.lutherangsbc.blogspot.com

“Hi, We’re Your Neighbors at Star” - Big, fun, promotional, fellowship, outreach day at Waller Park, Saturday, August 24.

THIS WEEK

Monday	Voters' Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday	ESL, 6:00 p.m.
Thursday	Bible Class, 10:00 a.m.
	ESL, 6:00 p.m.
Sunday	Worship, 10:00 a.m., Fellowship Lunch after



