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*“And afterward,
I will pour out my
Spirit
on all people.”*

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Worship Service

Sunday, May 31, 2020 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.

HYMN: # 723 “Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent from Heaven”

♪ Holy Spirit, the dove sent from heaven,
Ever one with the One who is Three, From the Father You came,
Word of peace to proclaim,
Come and comfort us, speak tenderly,
You, the fragrance of life we are seeking;
Fill Your temple, Your altar make clean.
Joyous shelter of love, Gracious friend from above,
In Your care we are resting, serene.

Holy Spirit, the fire celestial, Who on Pentecost came as foretold,
To descend from on high And the Church occupy
As the cloud filled the temple of old;
All the baptized You seal with Your promise,
All believers Your gift there receive, So that all the elect
All in Christ may expect To enjoy what by grace they believe.

Holy Spirit, the unction of blessing,
Sacred oil of the green olive tree, Giving heat, giving light,
As the tent lamps ignite And as Aaron praised God joyfully.
Blessed living and life giving water,
Now preserve us from evil within; For in Jesus, God's Son,
All believers are one In this washing that cleanses from sin.

Holy Spirit, the wind of great power,
Source of strength and of peace and of love,
Truest Comforter, plead, As You bring all our need
To the throne of God's glory above.
Be the light that enlightens the Scriptures;
Keep our feet from each devilish snare;
Only You can make whole All that troubles our soul;
By Your chrism, Christ's triumph we share.

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*)

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 de-
serve 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.



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 -



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.

M: 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.

C: ♪ Amen.

FIRST LESSON: Acts 2:1-21

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.**

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

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

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

²¹And this will happen: 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



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 16:5-11

⁵“But now I am going away to him who sent me, and not one of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶Yet because I have told you these things, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷Nevertheless, I am telling you the truth: It is good for you that I go away. For if I do not go away, the Counselor will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸When he comes, he will convict the world about sin, about righteousness, and about judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will no longer see me; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

HYMN: # 182 “Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”

 **Holy Spirit, ever dwelling In the holiest realms of light,
Holy Spirit, ever brooding O’er a world of gloom and night,
Holy Spirit, ever raising Those on earth to thrones on high,
Living, life-imparting Spirit, You we praise and magnify.**

**Holy Spirit, ever living As the Church's very life,
Holy Spirit, ever striving Through us in a ceaseless strife,
Holy Spirit, ever forming In the Church the mind of Christ,
You we praise with endless worship
For your gracious gifts unpriced.**

**Holy Spirit, ever working Through the Church's ministry,
Teaching, strength'ning, and absolving,
Setting captive sinners free,
Holy Spirit, ever binding Age to age and soul to soul
In communion never ending, You we worship and extol.**

SERMON: Joel 2:28-32

**²⁸After this, I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.
Your sons and your daughters will prophesy.
Your old men will dream dreams. Your young men will see vi-
sions. ²⁹Even on the servants, both male and female,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days.
³⁰I will show warning signs in the heavens and on the earth:
blood and fire and pillars of smoke.
³¹The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the great and terrifying day of the LORD.
³²And everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be
saved.
So on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance,
as the LORD has promised, among the survivors whom the
LORD calls.**

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: # 281 “God Has Spoken by His Prophets”

**♪ God has spoken by his prophets, Spoken his unchanging Word,
Each from age to age proclaiming God the one, the righteous Lord.
In the world’s despair and turmoil One firm anchor holds us fast:
God is king, his throne eternal, God the first and God the last.**

**God has spoken by Christ Jesus, Christ, the everlasting Son,
Brightness of the Father’s glory, With the Father ever one,
Spoken by the Word incarnate, God from God, before time was,
Light from Light, to earth descending—He reveals our God to us.**

**God is speaking by his Spirit, Speaking to the hearts of all,
In the ageless Word expounding His own message for us all.
Through the rise and fall of nations One sure faith is standing fast.
God abides, his Word unchanging, God the first and God the last.**

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: #578 “Saints of God, the Dawn Is Brightening”

♪ **Saints of God, the dawn is bright’ning,
Promise of our coming Lord.
O’er the earth the fields are rip’ning;
Louder rings the Master’s word:
Pray for reapers, Pray for reapers
In the harvest of the Lord.**

**Now, O Lord, fulfill your pleasure,
Breathe upon your chosen band,
And with Pentecostal measure
Send forth reapers o’er our land,
Faithful reapers, Faithful reapers,
Gath’ring sheaves for your right hand.**

**Soon shall end the time of weeping;
Soon the reaping time will come,
Heav’n and earth together keeping
God’s eternal harvest-home.
Saints and angels, Saints and angels
Shout the world’s great harvest-home.**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by the Evers on the occasion of Jared’s birthday.

PRAYERS Remember to pray for: Gordon Hillberg, Shawn Lozano, John Velasques, Ruth Fabian, little Elias, Albert Nunez, Jim Moore, Shawna Bushey, Rose Marie Hillberg, Atalia (Moore’s grand-daughter), Dennis Douglas, Julieanna Saenz, Rylie Lopez, Molly Webb (and her brother Jim), Jim Moore (Jr.) and family, Bob Ward, George Caravana, Alice Taubman, Don Fabian, and Doris Scheuffele.

“Hi, We’re Your Neighbors at Star” - Big, fun, promotional, fellowship, outreach day at Waller Park, Saturday, August 22. Start thinking about it now.

723 Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent From Heaven

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, the dove sent from heav - en, Ev - er
 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, the fire ce - les - tial, Who on
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, the unc - tion of bless - ing, Sa - cred
 4 Ho - ly Spir - it, the wind of great pow - er, Source of

one with the One who is three, From the
 Pen - te - cost came as fore - told To de -
 oil of the green ol - ive tree, Giv - ing
 strength and of peace and of love, Tru - est

Fa - ther you came, Words of peace to pro - claim, Come and
 scend from on high, And the Church oc - cu - py As the
 heat, giv - ing light, As the tent lamps ig - nite And as
 Com - fort - er, plead As you bring all our need To the

com - fort us, speak ten - der - ly.
 cloud filled the tem - ple of old;
 Aar - on praised God joy - ful - ly.
 throne of God's glo - ry a - bove.



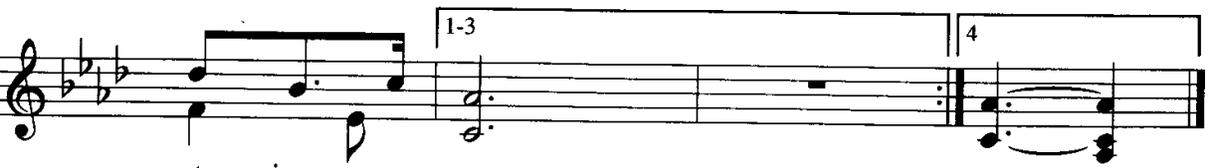
You, the fra-grance of life we are seek - ing; Fill your
 All the bap-tized you seal with your prom - ise, All be-
 Bless-ed liv - ing and life - giv - ing wa - ter, Now pre-
 Be the light that en - light-ens the Scrip - tures; Keep our



tem - ple, your al - tar make clean. Joy-ous shel - ter of
 liev - ers your gift there re - ceive, So that all the e -
 serve us from e - vil with - in; For in Je - sus, God's
 feet from each dev - il - ish snare; On - ly you can make



love, Gra-cious friend from a - bove, In your care we are
 lect— All in Christ—may ex - spect To en - joy what by
 Son, All be - liev - ers are one In this wash - ing that
 whole All that trou - bles our soul; By your chrim, Christ's



rest - ing, se - rene.
 grace they be - lieve.
 cleans - es from sin.
 tri - umph we share.

