

Pentecost Sunday – June 12, 2022



Welcome to Worship!

"Come, Holy Spirit!" We welcome you to worship as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit on that first Pentecost Sunday in fulfillment of Jesus' promise. May God's Spirit ever continue to come to his people through Word and Sacrament as he empowers us to carry out with joy and confidence the mission our risen and ascended Lord has given us.

Our Communion Practice

In the Sacrament of Holy Communion, we express unity with our Savior and those who share our faith and stand on the teachings of God's Word. Therefore, we invite to our altar those who are members of Our Savior's or members of the WELS/ELS. Visitors who wish to commune are asked to speak to a pastor before the service begins.

Prayer Before Communing

Lord Jesus, you have invited me to come and receive your holy Sacrament. I believe that in the bread and wine you give me your true body and blood to eat and drink. Forgive my sins and nourish my faith through this precious meal. I long for the comfort that comes with your promises; I yearn for the assurance of your faithful love. Bless me now as I receive you by faith.

Prayer After Communing

Thank you, dear Savior, for nourishing my faith with the Sacrament of your body and blood. Lift my heart with your forgiveness, renew my confidence in your grace, empower my love for others, and lead me to long for the eternal banquet of heaven.

Serving You in Worship

- Minister Pastor Walter Davidson
- Organist Marie Kurth
- Ushers Phil Brost, Travis Kurth (Next Sunday – Bill Unruh, Tony Sulko)

Our Worship

Opening Hymn

CW 588 Come, O Come, Life-Giving Spirit

- Come, O come, life-giving Spirit, God from all eternity!
 May your power never fail us; dwell within us constantly.
 Then shall truth and life and light banish all the gloom of night.
- 2 Show us, Lord, the path of blessing; when we trespass on our way, cast, O Lord, our sins behind you and be with us day by day. Should we stray, O Lord, recall; work repentance when we fall.
- Spirit, guard our faith forever; let not Satan, death, or shame ever part us from our Savior. Lord, our refuge is your name! When our hearts oppose your will, let your Word prove stronger still.
- And when life's frail thread is breaking, then assure us more and more, as the heirs of life unending, of the glory there in store, glory never yet expressed, glory of the saints at rest.

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Stand

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Oh, how I love your law! I meditate on it all day long.

Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for they are ever with me.

I have more insight than all my teachers, **for I meditate on your statutes.**

How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! (Psalm 119:97-99, 103)

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness,

so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Yet so often we have despised God's Word and failed to gladly hear and learn it. For this and all our sins, we bow before God and humbly ask his forgiveness.

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.

God gave his Word so "that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name" (*John 20:31*). The Scriptures testify about Jesus, who lived a perfect life for you, died on the cross to pay for all your sins, and rose again to assure you of your salvation.

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.**

Glory Be to God



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The Word

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.

Be seated

First Reading

¹Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. ²As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.

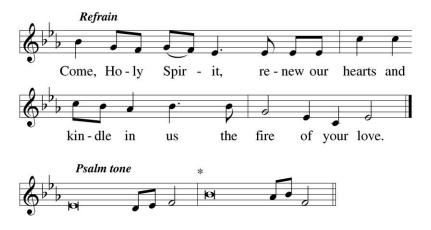
³They said to each other, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. ⁴Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth."

⁵But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. ⁶The 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. ⁷Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other."

⁸So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. ⁹That 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.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** Genesis 11:1-9

Psalm 51 B



O Lord, open <u>my</u> lips,* and my mouth will de<u>clare</u> your praise.

- You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would <u>bring</u> it;* you do not take pleasure in burnt <u>offerings</u>.
- The sacrifices of God are a broken <u>spir</u>it;* a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will <u>not</u> despise. *Refrain*

Create in me a pure <u>heart</u>, O God,* and renew a steadfast spirit with<u>in</u> me.

Do not cast me from your <u>pres</u>ence* or take your Holy Spirit <u>from</u> me.

Restore to me the joy of your sal<u>va</u>tion,* and grant me a willing spirit, to sus<u>tain</u> me.

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

Glory be to the Father and <u>to</u> the Son* and to the Holy <u>Spir</u>it, as it was in the be<u>gin</u>ning,* is now, and will be forever. <u>A</u>men. *Refrain*

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Second Reading

¹When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia 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!" ¹²Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

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

¹⁴Then 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. ¹⁵These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶No, 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.

¹⁸Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

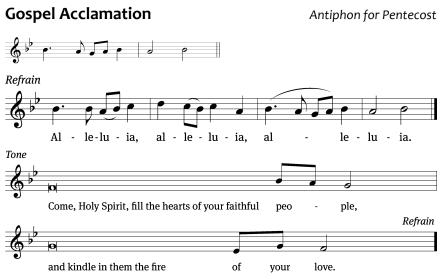
and they will prophesy.

¹⁹I will show wonders in the heavens above

and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows 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 everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

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

Stand



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²³Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

²⁵"All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

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

Be seated

Hymn of the Day

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest

CW 586

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest, and make our hearts your place of rest; come with your grace and heav'nly aid, and fill the hearts which you have made.

- 2 To you, the Counselor, we cry, to you, the gift of God most high, the fount of life, the fire of love, the soul's anointing from above.
- 3 In you, with graces sevenfold, we God's almighty hand behold while you with tongues of fire proclaim to all the world his holy name.
- 4 Your light to ev'ry thought impart, and shed your love in ev'ry heart; the weakness of our mortal state with deathless might invigorate.

Gospel

- 5 Drive far away our wily foe, and your abiding peace bestow; with you as our protecting guide, no evil can with us abide.
- 6 Teach us to know the Father, Son, and you, from both, as Three in One that we your name may ever bless and in our lives the truth confess.
- 7 Praise we the Father and the Son and Holy Spirit, with them One, and may the Son on us bestow the gifts that from the Spirit flow!

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Sermon

Genesis 11:1-9 / Acts 2:1-6, 11b

"Quit Your Babeling!"

- 1. The message of defiance & quickly spread
- 2. The message of salvation & clearly share

Stand

Prayer of the Church

Praise to you, Holy Spirit! We worship you as the Lord and adore you as the giver of life. As you were present at the beginning of the world to give life to all created things and as you enlightened and equipped the disciples on the Day of Pentecost by the baptism of fire, so by the baptism of water with the Word you made the light of faith shine in our hearts to know Jesus as our Lord. We confess:

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. Holy Spirit, Spirit of truth and source of all spiritual gifts, stand by us in the weakness of our sinful nature. Grant us a right understanding of the truths that Jesus taught. Give us strength to endure with patience whatever afflictions God may send into our lives. Help us, intercede for us, and train us that we may pray to the Father with boldness and confidence. Preserve us by the power of your Word in our most holy faith as members of the Church, the body of Jesus.

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

Holy Spirit, you comfort and counsel us in every need. In dark and difficult days strengthen our feeble hands, steady our weak knees, and encourage our fearful hearts. [We pray especially for...] Support us with the promise that in your final creative act you will raise up our bodies so that together with all believers we may see and enjoy the glorious return of Jesus Christ.

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. Amen.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

Come, Holy Spirit, renew our hearts

And kindle in us the fire of your love. Amen.

Be seated

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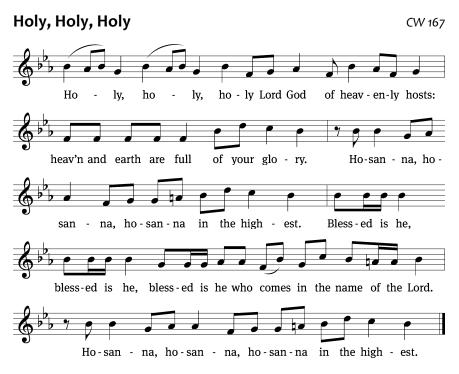
The Sacrament

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns forever in perfect unity with you and the Holy Spirit as one God and one Lord. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

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 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.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **Amen.**

Distribution Hymn

CW 590 O Holy Spirit, Enter In

 O Holy Spirit, enter in and in our hearts your work begin, your dwelling place now make us.
 Sun of the soul, O Light divine, around and in us brightly shine, to joy and gladness wake us that we may be truly living, to you giving prayer unceasing and in love be still increasing.

2 Give to your Word impressive pow'r that in our hearts from this good hour as fire it may be glowing, that in true Christian unity we faithful witnesses may be, your glory ever showing. Hear us, cheer us by your teaching; let our preaching and our labor praise you, Lord, and serve our neighbor.

 O mighty Rock, O Source of life, let your dear Word, in doubt and strife, in us be strongly burning that we be faithful unto death and live in love and holy faith, from you true wisdom learning. Your grace and peace on us shower; by your power Christ confessing, let us see our Savior's blessing

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Distribution Hymn

- Let me be yours forever, my faithful God and Lord; let me forsake you never nor wander from your Word. Lord, do not let me waver but give me steadfastness, and for such grace and favor your holy name I'll bless.
- Lord Jesus, my salvation, my light, my life divine, my only consolation, to you I all resign, for you have dearly bought me with blood and bitter pain. Let me, since you have sought me, eternal life obtain.
- O gracious Holy Spirit, my comforter and guide, grant that in Jesus' merit I always may confide, him to the end confessing whom I have known by faith. Give me your constant blessing and grant a Christian death.

Text: tr. Matthias Loy, 1828–1915, alt.; (st. 1): Nicolaus Selnecker, 1532–1592; (sts. 2–3): Gesang-Büchlein, Rudolstadt, 1688 Text: Public domain

Stand

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Blessing

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. **Amen.**

592 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

CW 592 sts. 1, 3

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 of earth to thrones on high,
 living, life-imparting Spirit,
 you we praise and magnify.

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.

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Thank you for worshiping with us! May God richly bless your week.

This Week's Opportunities for Growing in Christ					
Today	9:00 AM	Worship with Communion Food Pantry Sunday			
Monday	6:00 PM	Coordinating Council			
Tuesday	1:30 AM	OWLS Meeting at Monk Botanical Gardens			
Sunday 6/19	9:00 AM 10:10 AM	Worship Congregational Meeting Father's Day			

Serving Us With God's Word We thank Pastor emeritus Walter Davidson for leading us in worship today. May the Lord continue to bless him and his wife, Judy, in their retirement, and as he helps with guest preaching at area WELS churches.

Serving the Pastoral Vacancy Pastor Jeff Mahnke from St Peter Lutheran Church is serving as Our Savior's vacancy pastor. Should you need his pastoral guidance and service, call / text him anytime at 715.297.0132. His email address is <u>pastorm@mysaintpeter.org</u>.

Our Savior's Call Update Due to the low number of seminary graduates and the large number of vacant congregations, Our Savior's was not granted a graduate to serve as our next pastor. We trust God's plans and the rule of our ascended Lord. Our leaders are tentatively planning to extend a Call as part of our congregational meeting on Sunday, June 19th, if that works with our district leadership.

Congregational Meeting All members are encouraged to attend our congregational meeting on Sunday, June 19th following our worship service. The 2022-23 budget will be presented, we'll discuss the School Choice program, and we hope to extend a pastoral call.

Organization of WELS Lutheran Seniors (OWLS)

Our June 14 meeting will be at Monk Botanical Gardens, 1800 N 1st Ave, Wausau at 1:30 PM. We will gather at the entrance to the gardens. Wear your walking shoes, bring your camera, and plan for an uplifting afternoon. Questions: call Ruth 715-573-2142. **Memorial** We thank Audrey Bey for her gift given in loving memory of her son, Billy Bey. *Blessed be his memory*. *Thanks be to God for the love which led to this gift*.

Church Library More new books have been added to the church library! These are Christian Romantic Suspense novels. It's good reading and the books are small enough to fit into your purse, so you can read while you wait somewhere.

Wausau 150th Year Celebration On Saturday, July 23rd, the Wausau 150th year Celebration will be held. There will be a parade that will end at Marathon Park, plus live music and throw back games. We have the opportunity to run one of these games from 1:00 PM to approximately 8:00 PM. We're looking for members of the congregation who would like to volunteer for 2-3 hours to man a game. It would be a great way to highlight Our Savior's Church & School with a banner in the game booth. The prizes for the game will be provided by the city.

Anyone with questions or with interest in volunteering please contact Tim Heil @ 715-842-4573. Please leave a call back number if there is no answer.

Our Stewardship of God's	Gifts: June 5, 2022
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<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Vision</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Missions</u>	<u>Memorial</u>	<u>Plate</u>
\$2,390.00	\$320.00	\$255.00	\$25.00	\$100.00	\$18.00
<u>Building Ma</u> \$50.00	<u>aintenance</u>				

Attendance: Sunday, June 5 – 59 online – 17 Total = 76

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