



*Pentecost*

*Our Savior Lutheran Church*

# *The Feast of Pentecost*

## *Order of Holy Communion*

In Nomine Jesu



## *Music for Meditation & Prayer*

### *Ringling of the Bells*

### *A Festival Prelude*

Fanfare  
Exultae Brass

## *Greetings & Announcements*

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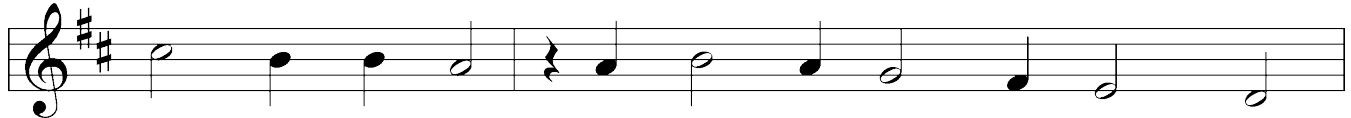
# Processional Hymn

## O Holy Spirit, Enter In

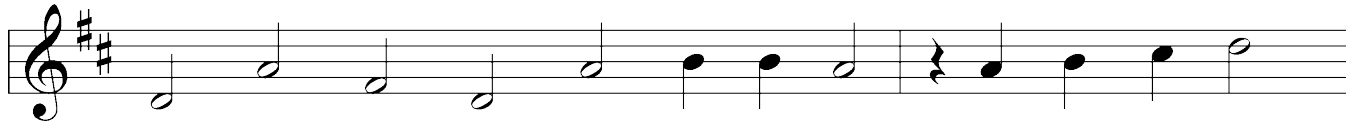
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1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, And in our hearts  
2 Give to Your Word im - pres - sive pow'r, That in our hearts  
3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, Let Your dear Word,



Your work be - gin, Your dwell - ing place now make us.  
from this good hour As fire it may be glow - ing,  
in doubt and strife, In us be strong - ly burn - ing



Sun of the soul, O Light di - vine, A - round and in  
That in true Chris - tian u - ni - ty We faith - ful wit -  
That we be faith - ful un - to death And live in love



us bright - ly shine, To joy and glad - ness wake us  
ness - es may be, Your glo - ry ev - er show - ing.  
and ho - ly faith, From You true wis - dom learn - ing.



That we may be Tru - ly liv - ing, To You giv - ing  
Hear us, cheer us By Your teach - ing; Let our preach - ing  
Your grace and peace On us show - er; By Your pow - er



Prayer un - ceas - ing And in love be still in - creas - ing.  
And our la - bor Praise You, Lord, and serve our neigh - bor.  
Christ con - fess - ing, Let us see our Sav - ior's bless - ing.

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# *A Pentecost Litany*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** *Amen.*

**P** Listen to the wind, Nicodemus! Listen to the wind! You can hear its sound, the night is full of it. Hark to it in the tops of the trees – but where it has come from and where it is going no man knows.

**C** *Eternal God, we praise and thank you this day for the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.*

**P** The Spirit whose life-giving breath comes to us not in the fickle feelings of men, nor in the intensity of our emotions but in the changeless reality of Word and Sacrament.

**C** *Eternal God, we praise and thank you this day for the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.*

**P** The Spirit who is the very wind of heaven, scattering like leaves the drabness and tedium of empty lives, melting the winter death of the soul, breaking open tombs of doubt and despair, so that men dead in sin may be born again to new life.

**C** *Eternal God, we praise and thank you this day for the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.*

**P** We praise you, O God, for the glory of Pentecost. You have made the winds your messengers and the flames of fire your servants. Listen to the wind, Nicodemus! Listen to the wind! You can hear its sound, the night is full of it. Hark to it in the tops of the trees – but where it has come from and where it is going, no man knows.

**C** *Come, Holy Spirit! Breathe upon us the breath of God that we may live forever. Amen.*

*(Kneel)*

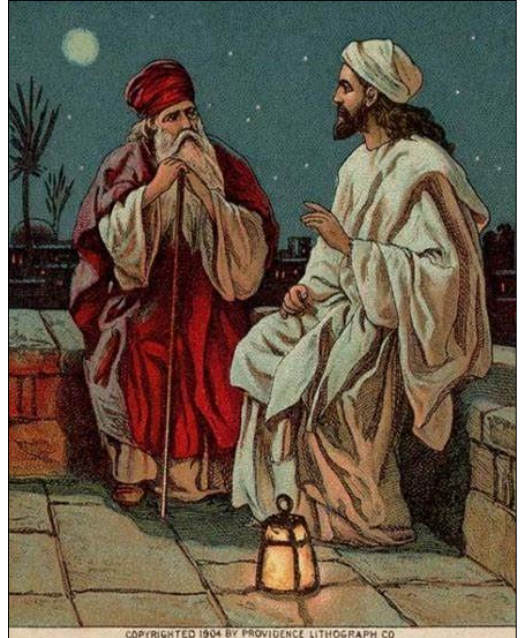
## *Confession of Sins*

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** *But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** *O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor miserable sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you and justly deserve your punishment now and forever. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray you of your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being. Forgive me all of my sins and grant me the power of your Holy Spirit that I may amend my sinful life.*





# Pronouncement of Forgiveness

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all of your sins in the Name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** *Amen.*

*(Stand)*

## Introit

### “Spiritus Domini”

*(Intoned by Laetare with Congregation on Gloria Patri)*

*(Psalm 68:1, 4a, c, 11a, 33b, 35a; antiphon: Liturgical Text; Psalm 68:3)*

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world. Alle- | luia.\*

The righteous | shall be glad.

They shall exult be- | fore God;\*

they shall be jubilant with joy! Alle- | luia.

God shall arise, his enemies shall be | scattered;\*

and those who hate him shall flee be- | fore him!

Sing to God, sing praises | to his name;\*

exult be- | fore him!

The Lord | gives the word;\*

behold, he sends out his voice, his | mighty voice.

Awesome is God from his sanctu- | ary;\*

the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his | people.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\***

**and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning,\***

**is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

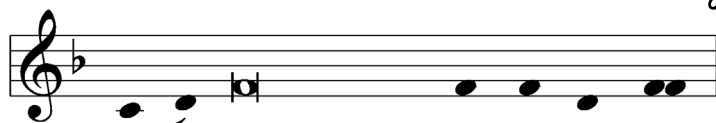
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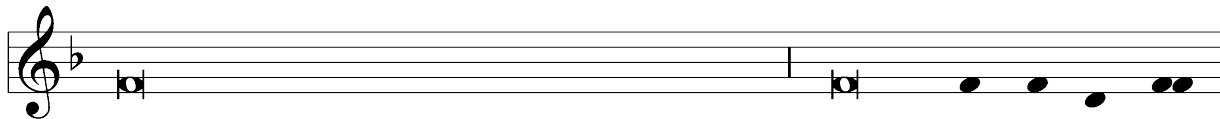
## Kyrie



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



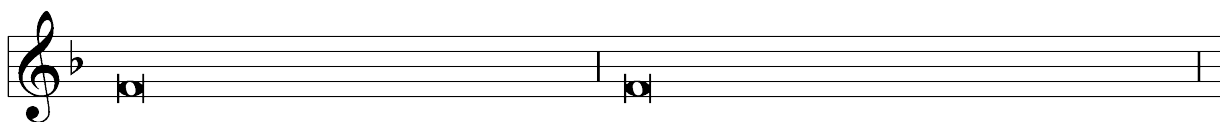
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



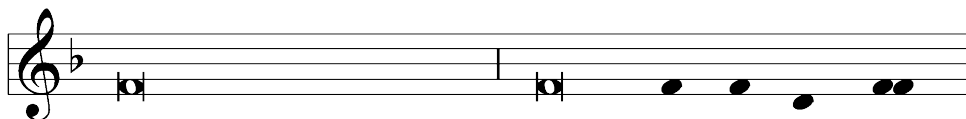
**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



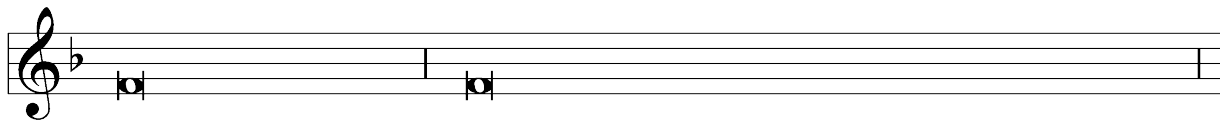
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



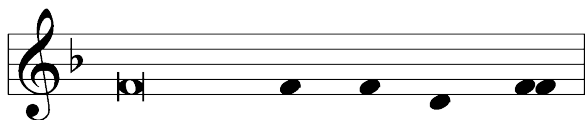
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



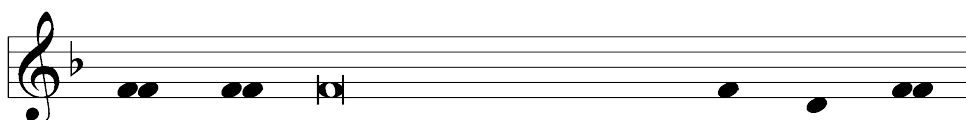
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



## Hymn of Praise

(Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9)

**C** This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -

5  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Wor - thy is

9  
Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

12  
free to be peo - ple of God. This is the

16  
feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

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lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Pow - er,

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rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and hon - or -

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 bless - ing and glo - ry are His. This is the

30  

 feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

34  

 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Sing with

37  

 all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of all cre -

41  

 a - - - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or glo - ry, and

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 might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - - -

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 men. This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our

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 God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



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For the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His

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reign. Al - le - lu - - - ia. This is the

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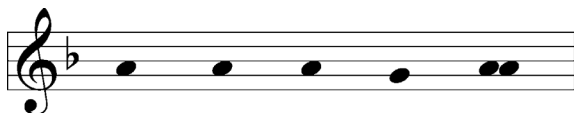
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lu - ia, al - le lu - - - ia.

## Collect of the Day

(2 Timothy 4:22)



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

O God, on this day You once taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit. Grant us in our day by the same Spirit to have a right understanding in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy consolation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** *Amen.*

(Be Seated)

# Ministry of Music

## Dwell In Me

Text: Martha Lankton; Music: Dana Mengel; © 1997, Harold Flammer Music  
Jubilate Choir

*Dwell in me, O Blessed Spirit, How I need Thy help divine!  
In the way of life eternal, Keep, oh keep, this heart of mine.  
Let me feel Thy sacred presence; Then my faith will never decline;  
Blessed Spirit, comfort me and Fill with love this heart of mine.  
Dwell in me, dwell in me, O Holy Spirit all divine.  
Dwell in me, dwell in me, Blessed Spirit, fill with love this heart of mine.*

*'Round the cross where Thou hast led me, Blessed Spirit, Let my purest feelings twine;  
With the blood from sin that cleansed me, Seal anew this heart of mine.  
Dwell in me, O Blessed Spirit, Gracious teacher, Friend divine.  
Blessed Spirit, comfort me and Fill with love this heart of mine.  
Dwell in me, dwell in me, O Holy Spirit all divine.  
Dwell in me, dwell in me, Blessed Spirit, fill with love this heart of mine.*

## Old Testament Reading

### Genesis 11:1–9

[1] Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. [2] And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. [3] And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. [4] Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.” [5] And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. [6] And the Lord said, “Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. [7] Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” [8] So the Lord dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. [9] Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth. And from there the Lord dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

*Nothing but the sanctifying grace of the Holy Spirit can remove the sinful lusts of the human will, and the depravity of the human heart. God’s purpose was, that mankind should form many nations, and people all lands. In contempt of the Divine will, and against the counsel of Noah, the bulk of mankind united to build a city and a tower to prevent their separating. Idolatry was begun, and Babel became one of its chief seats. Let us learn to encourage one another to love and do good works, instead of wicked works.*

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** *Thanks be to God.*

# Verse

(Intoned by Laetare; Psalm 104:30; Liturgical Text)

Alleluia. When you send forth your Spirit, they are cre- | ated,\*  
and you renew the face of the ground. Alle- | luia.  
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,\*  
and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luia.

## Second Reading

Acts 2:1–21

[1] When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. [2] And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. [3] And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. [4] And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. [5] Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. [6] And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. [7] And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? [8] And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? [9] Parthians and Medes and 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, [11] both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” [12] And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” [13] But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.” [14] But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. [15] For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. [16] But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: [17] “‘And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on 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 on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. [19] And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; [20] the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. [21] And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”

*The Spirit, like fire, melts the heart, burns up the dross, and kindles pious affections in the soul; in which, as in the fire on the altar, the spiritual sacrifices are offered up. Peter's sermon shows that he was thoroughly recovered from his fall and restored to the Divine favor; for he who had denied Christ, now boldly confessed him. His account of the miraculous pouring forth of the Spirit, was designed to awaken the hearers to embrace the faith of Christ, and to join themselves to his church. It was fulfilling Scripture, the fruit of Christ's resurrection and ascension, and proof of both.*

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** *Thanks be to God.*

(Stand)

## *Holy Gospel*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

## *Gospel Reading*

St. John 14:23–31

[23] Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. [24] Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father’s who sent me. [25] “These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. [26] But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. [27] Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. [28] You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I will come to you.’ If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. [29] And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. [30] I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, [31] but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.”

*This is the profound love of God that Jesus has made known to his disciples and that the Holy Spirit continues to make known to us. The Spirit assures us that we are never abandoned, even in the midst of the loss, pain, and sorrow that are part of life in this broken world. The Word who became flesh and lived among us (John 1:14) continues to make his home with us (14:23), even as he prepares our eternal dwelling with God.*

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

# Nicene Creed

**C** *I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.*

*And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God,  
Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father,  
By whom all things were made;  
Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven  
And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary  
And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered and was buried;  
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures;  
And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead;  
Whose kingdom shall have no end.*

*And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life,  
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son,  
Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,  
Who spake by the Prophets.  
And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church.  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
And I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
And the life of the world to come. Amen.*

*(Be Seated)*



# Sermon Hymn

## Spirit, Come, Dispel Our Sadness

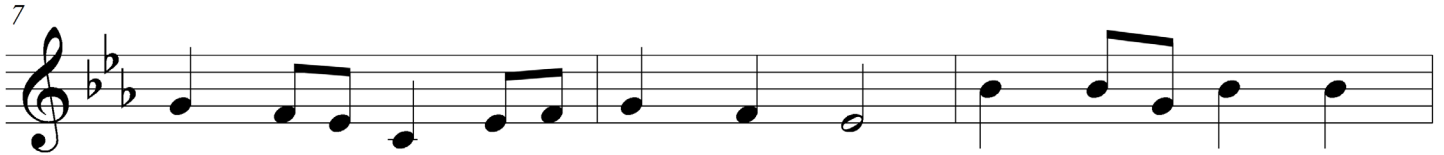
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1. Spir - it, — come, dis - pel our sad - ness; pierce the clouds of —  
2. May Your Word in - spire and guide us, sav - ing Truth in -  
3. Let your fire heal our dis - sen - sions, let your flame re -  
4. Au - thor of the — new cre - a - tion, come, a - noint us —



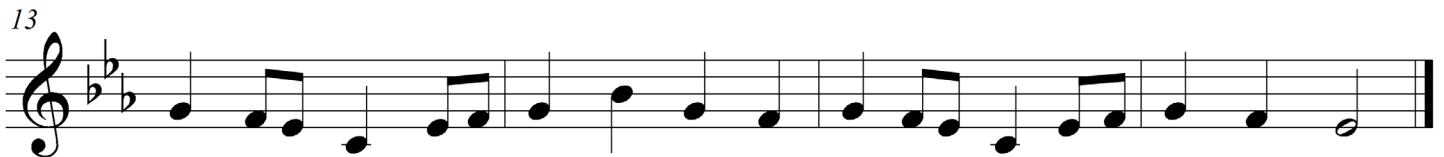
gloom and night; Come, O — Source of — joy and glad - ness,  
form our minds; When man's er - rors would mis - guide us,  
fine our goals, let your peace re - solve our ten - sions,  
with your power. Make our hearts your hab - i - ta - tion;



breathe Your life and spread Your light. From the — height that  
may Your Word u - nite and bind; All Your peo - ple  
send your dove to — soothe our souls. Let your wind flow  
with your grace our spir - its shower. Hear, O — hear our



knows no — mea - sure, as a — gra - cious shower de - scend,  
close to - geth - er in the — Truth that sets us — free;  
fresh with - in us, sweep - ing — clean all hate and strife  
sup - pli - ca - tion, bless - ed — Spir - it, God of — peace!



Bring - ing down the rich - est trea - sure we can long for, God can send.  
Lov - ing Christ and one an - oth - er, with our Fath - er — and with Thee.  
from our hearts; O — come and win us for a — more a - bun - dant life.  
Rest up - on this con - gre - ga - tion with the full - ness of your grace.



*(Stand for Text)*

## *Sermon*

Text: Acts 2:1–21  
“Wind and Fire”

*(Stand)*

## *Votum*

## *Offertory*



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, And fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were  
sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the  
hopes and the dreams of all; U - nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with Your pres - ence, and  
give us A fore - taste of the feast to come.

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## *Offering Prayer*

*(Be Seated)*

## *Offering*

# Voluntary

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Exultae Brass

(Stand)

### Intercessory Prayer

**P** Holy Spirit, Creator, who in the beginning did move on the face of the waters, through Your breath all things come to life, and without You, every living creature dies and returns to nothingness.

**C** *Come, Holy Spirit, and enter into us.*

**P** Holy Spirit, Counselor, by Your inspiration men of God and prophets of old, spoke and acted faithfully and fearlessly. You did clothe them with Your power, that they might bear witness to Your Word.

**C** *Come, Holy Spirit, and enter into us.*

**P** Holy Spirit, Conceiver of our Savior, You are the power who did overshadow the Virgin Mary, that she might become the mother of the Son of God; You did prepare a perfect dwelling place for Him that we might be saved.

**C** *Come, Holy Spirit, and enter into us.*

**P** Holy Spirit, Consecrator, by Your action Jesus grew in wisdom and in grace, You did descend upon Him in the form of a dove, on the day of His baptism, that He might be made holy and armed with power, as a faithful witness of the Father.

**C** *Come, Holy Spirit, and enter into us.*

**P** Holy Spirit, eternal God, through Christ, our High Priest, offered Himself up as a blameless victim, that we might be delivered from the powers of death, to serve the living God.

**C** *Come, Holy Spirit, and enter into us.*

**P** Holy Spirit, Defender, You did descend upon the apostles, in the form of tongues of fire, and You did speak through them when they bore witness to Christ and His resurrection, before kings and all nations.

**C** *Come, Holy Spirit, and enter into us.*

**P** Holy Spirit, Comforter, through You we are born as children of God, You make us living temples of Your presence, and You intercede within us, with words that cannot be uttered.

**C** *Come, Holy Spirit, and enter into us.*

**P** Holy Spirit, Giver of Life, by whom the whole body of the Church is animated, guided and sanctified, You dwell in all its members, in order to give life, one day to our mortal bodies.

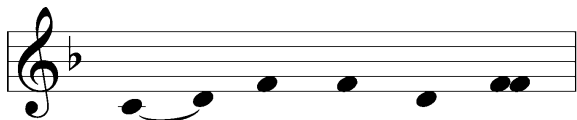
**C** *Come, Holy Spirit, and enter into us.*



- P** Holy Spirit, Lord and Source of Life, Giver of the seven gifts – Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding, Spirit of Counsel and Strength, Spirit of Knowledge and Devotion, Spirit of Obedience to the Lord.
- C** *Come, Holy Spirit, and enter into us. Amen.*

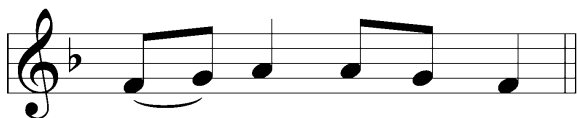
## Preface

**Worship Note:** The sound of the Zimbelstern announces the invitation that brings the realms of heaven and voices here on earth to sing the great hymn of praise to our Lord. As the Pastor reads “therefore with angels and archangels....” the bells peal in festive celebration.



**P** The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)



**C** And al - so with you.

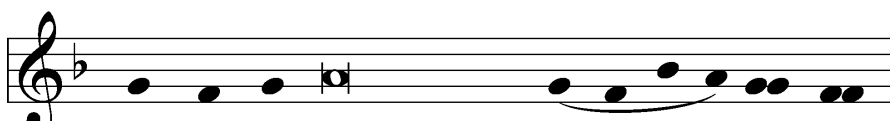


**P** Lift up your hearts.

(Colossians 3:1)



**C** We lift them to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

(Psalm 136)



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## Sanctus

(Isaiah 6:3; St. Matthew 21:9)



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:  
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -  
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

## The Lord's Prayer

(St. Matthew 6:9-13)

**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*

## Words of Institution

(St. Matthew 26:26-28)

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

# *Pax Domini*

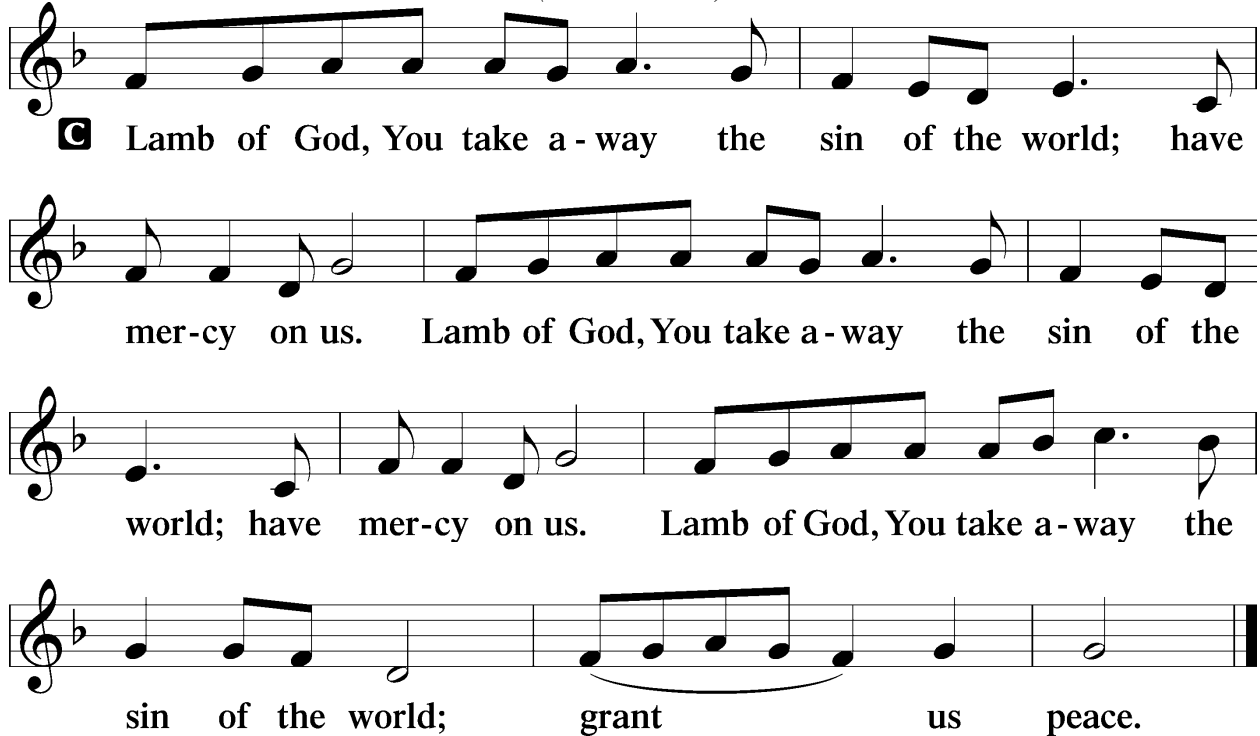
*(St. John 20:19)*

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

**C** *And also with you.*

## *Agnus Dei*

*(St. John 1:29)*



**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

*(Be Seated)*

## *Distribution*

*(This congregation observes the Biblical practice of “Closed Communion,” outlined in the Communion Policy Statement in the announcements of the bulletin. If you have not communed with us previously and have not had the opportunity to speak with our Pastor about communion attendance, we respectfully request that you refrain from participating in the Sacrament this morning. Thank you for your kindness.)*

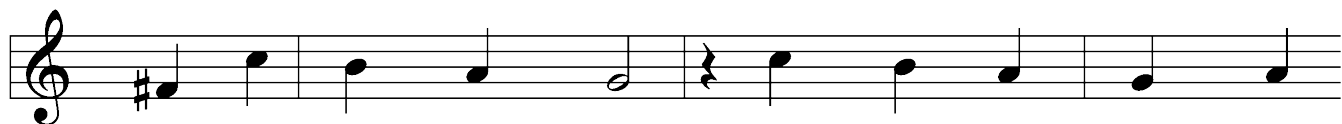
# Distribution Hymns

## I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

Text: Friedrich Christian Heyder; Tune: "Ich Sterbe Täglich"; LSB #618 © 2006 CPH



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and  
2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners  
3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I  
4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my  
5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -  
may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in  
have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt  
soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -  
bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:  
faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.  
ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:  
ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.  
heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.



Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high-est good!

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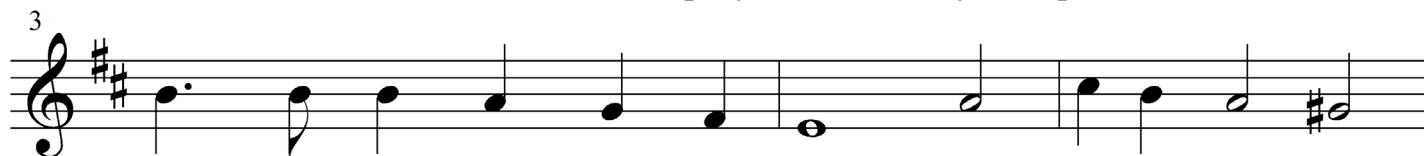


# O Comforter, Whom Christ Hath Sent

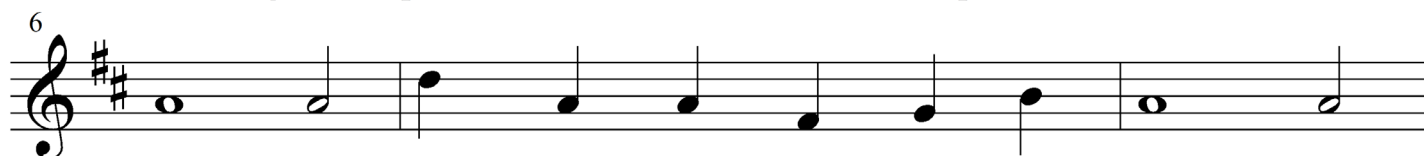
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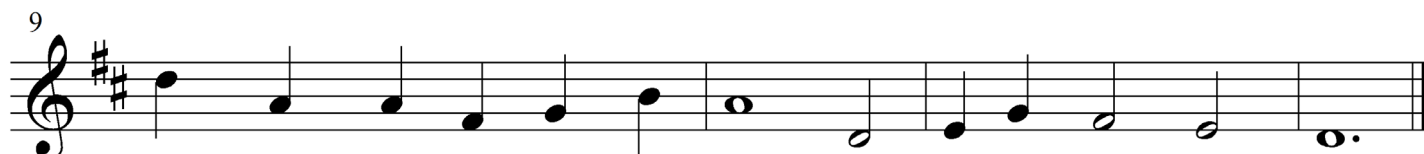
1. O Com - for - ter Whom Christ hath sent, Through  
 2. O Com - for - ter Whom faith first stirred, God's  
 3. O Com - for - ter Who did in - spire, A -  
 4. O Com - for - ter our faith sus - tain In  
 5. O Com - for - ter, pray hear my plea; When



sac - red Word and Sac - ra - ment; Spir - it of God div -  
 gra - cious gift in wat'r and Word; Spir - it of Life div -  
 post - les with bright tongues of fire; Spir - it of Truth div -  
 peace and trust may we re - main; Spir - it of Hope div -  
 death's grim reap - er comes for me; Spir - it of Heav'n div -



ine; Dwell in our hearts with love and pow'r, Guard  
 ine. You caused us to be born a - gain, Freed  
 ine; To speak and write God's ho - ly Word, That  
 ine; When doubt and fear af - flict our soul, Then  
 ine; In Christ's sweet love stand by my side; That

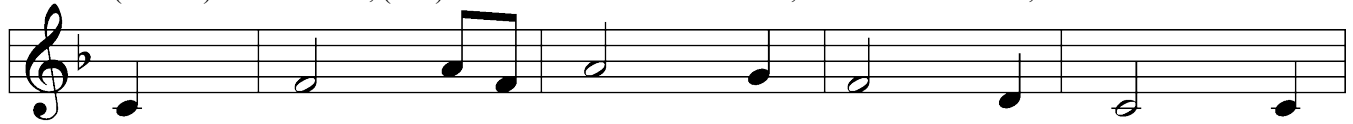


and sus - tain in this dark hour; Spir - it of God div - ine.  
 from sin's curse up - on all men; Spir - it of Life div - ine.  
 pre - cious Gos - pel might be heard; Spir - it of Truth div - ine.  
 may Christ's prom - is - es con - sole; Spir - it of Hope div - ine.  
 in true faith I may a - bide; Spir - it of Heav'n div - ine.

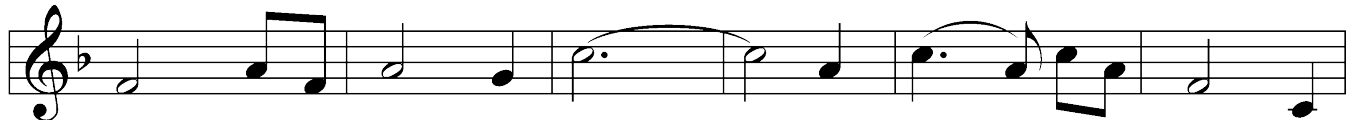


# Amazing Grace

Text (sts. 1–4): John Newton; (st. 5): A Collection of Sacred Ballads; Tune: “New Britain”; LSB #744 © 2006 CPH



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That  
 2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I  
 4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but  
 Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and  
 have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me  
 mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall  
 shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to



now am found, Was blind but now I see!  
 por - tion be As long as life en - dures.  
 safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.  
 then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.  
 sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

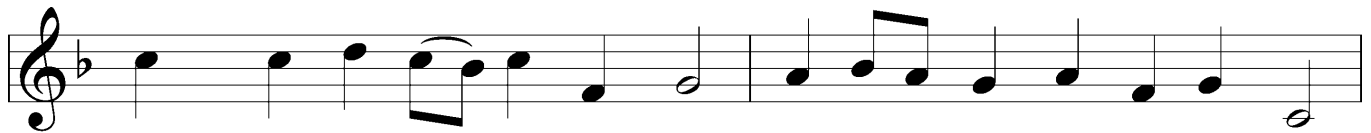
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## Canticle

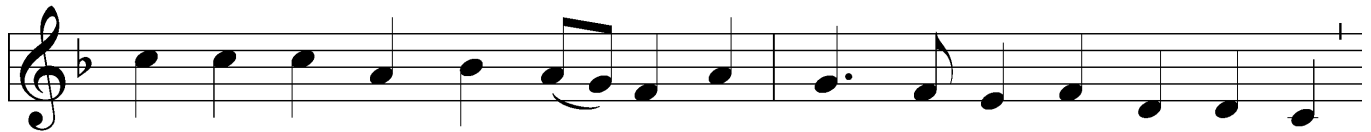
### Thank the Lord



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** *Amen.*

## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

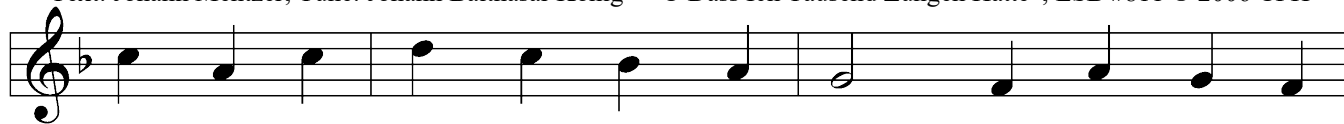


**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

# Closing Hymn

## Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

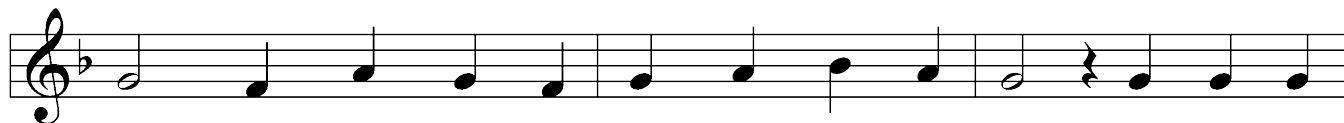
Text: Johann Mentzer; Tune: Johann Balthasar König – “O Dass Ich Tausend Zungen Hätte”; LSB #811 © 2006 CPH



1 Oh, that I had a thou - sand voic - es To praise my  
2 O all you pow'rs that He im - plant - ed, A - rise, keep  
3 You for - est leaves so green and ten - der That dance for  
4 All crea - tures that have breath and mo - tion, That throng the  
5 Cre - a - tor, hum - bly I im - plore You To lis - ten



God with thou - sand tongues! My heart, which in the Lord re -  
si - lence now no more; Put forth the strength that God has  
joy in sum - mer air, You mead - ow grass - es, bright and  
earth, the sea, the sky, Come, share with me my heart's de -  
to my earth - ly song Un - til that day when I a -



joic - es, Would then pro - claim in grate - ful songs To all, wher -  
grant - ed! Your no - blest work is to a - dore. O soul and  
slen - der, You flow'rs so fra - grant and so fair, You live to  
vo - tion, Help me to sing God's prais - es high. My ut - most  
dore You, To - geth - er with the an - gel throng And learn with



ev - er I might be, What great things God has done for me.  
bod - y, join to raise With heart - felt joy our Mak - er's praise.  
show God's praise a - lone. Join me to make His glo - ry known.  
pow'rs can nev - er quite De - clare the won - ders of His might.  
choirs of heav'n to sing E - ter - nal an - thems to my King.

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# Postlude

## Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

## *Soli Deo Gloria*

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# Welcome!

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*Enter reverently, meditate quietly, worship sincerely, serve Christ faithfully.*

It is our heartfelt prayer that all who worships here this day may encounter the love of our Savior. According to His promise, He is here today reaching out to us in love through Word and Sacrament. If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you have found it here so that we may rejoice in serving the Lord together. If we can be of service to you or your family in any way please do not hesitate to ask.

**LIFE THOUGHTS/PRAYER:** Pentecost – The only ways embryos differ from adults are age, location, appearance, and ability. These qualities present no obstacle to the Lord and Giver of life. He easily and eagerly overcomes helplessness (Psalm 143:3-4) and distances (Acts 2:9-11) to bestow sanctity on the youngest and the oldest of us (Acts 2:17-18). Will it not delight us just as much to tell these mighty works of God (Acts 2:11)? *Dear Father, invite and involve us in Your enlightening Spirit. Amen.*

**ATTENDANCE CARDS – MEMBERS (yellow) & VISITORS (blue),** remember to fill out an attendance card listing all in attendance for your family. Please note any changes, otherwise you do not have to fill in the address information each week. It is appreciated if first-time visitors would include their address and phone number. Email and work numbers are helpful for inner-office needs. By filling out a card, your attendance and communing is recorded, and your comments are addressed. It is not necessary to indicate common or individual cup. Place cards in the offering plate or give to an usher on your way out. Thanks!

- *The Cry-Room and the four row spans directly in front of it are reserved for parents with small children. Thank you.*
- *Hearing devices are available from the ushers if you need this assistance.*



**HOLY COMMUNION** will be celebrated next on **Sunday, June 22 at 9:30 AM.**

“Let a man examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup.”

*1 Corinthians 11:28*

The Word of God teaches that the bread and wine of the Sacrament are the true Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. This precious gift of God’s grace is to be received in a sense of reverent awe after careful self-examination. The Bible defines that self-examination as a personal recognition of the real presence of Christ’s Body and Blood in the Sacrament, and a repentant acknowledgment of my own sinfulness recognizing my absolute dependence upon Christ as the only source of forgiveness for my sin. Scripture further instructs that our participation in Christ’s Body and Blood together is the most profound and powerful way for Christians to acknowledge their unity in the faith. That is to say, when we share in the Body and Blood of Jesus at this altar, we are thereby indicating our common commitment to all of the doctrines of God’s Word as they are taught in this congregation. Because of these Biblical convictions, we respectfully request that visitors, who wish to join us in receiving the Body and Blood of Christ and thereby identify with our confession of Bible truth, speak with one of our pastors before attending the Lord’s Supper.

## Get the OSL App...

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## ***Bible Class & Sunday School Options for all:***

### **8:15 AM –**

**Genesis:** The Beginning of All Things – A study of Creation in Scripture (Pastor White - Bible Class Room)

### **10:45 AM – Adults**

**The Cost of Discipleship:** This will be an intense study to help each of us understand what it truly means to be a Christian according to the Word of God. Our outline will be based on the life and the writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Pastor Bonhoeffer was brutally martyred by the Nazis for his courageous stand against the evil which had engulfed his country. Most Christians remained silent while everything they professed to believe was denied and destroyed. Join us for this important Bible study because it is happening again all around us. Let God call us back to real discipleship. (Pastor White - Bible Class Room)

**Enduring Faith:** This adult class looks at the lessons the children are learning, with an adult perspective. New members and parents of Sunday School children are encouraged to come. All are welcome. (Bill Prestwood, C102)

**Lutheran Confessions:** Our Lutheran Confessions were developed out of a genuine concern with false teachings obscuring the glory and merit of our Savior. These unconditional affirmations are as understandable and poignant today as when they were written. Learn their history and development, as well as their relevance in the daily life of a Christian. Through discussion, you will see how others are asking the same questions and how Scripture offers solid, reliable answers. (James Kriegel, C101)

**Women's Bible Study –** We are reading G.E. Veith's book ***The Spirituality of the Cross: The Way of the First Evangelicals***. An exploration of the "lived, vital, personal dimension of Christianity," the book will lead us in exploring more deeply: Justification, the Means of Grace, the Theology of the Cross, Christology, Vocation, Living in Two Kingdoms, and Worshipping God. (Sarah Baughman, Family Room, Church)

**Applying Scripture to Current Events:** This class for young adults will focus on today's headlines and current events and discuss these topics in light of scripture and how the verses covered each week apply to everyday life. (Adam White, C106)

**"So How's God's heart,"** does He even have a heart? If God does have a heart, can we have a heart like His? If so, how? (Gary Stuhr, Cafeteria)

### **YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETS AS LISTED – 10:45 AM**

**High School – 4:12 Youth Room**  
**7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – C105**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Grade – C103**

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade – C113**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – C116**  
**1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – C115**

**Kindergarten – B110**  
**3 & 4 yrs – B109**  
**18 mos. – 3 yrs – B111**

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The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Dean & Barbara Mushinski in celebration of their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary today.

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**Flower Chart** is available to sponsor the church flowers for your special occasions! Each flower arrangement is \$45. You will find the flower clipboard on the hutch in the narthex. Remember to write a “W” if you want the flowers, or “S” to send them to the sick. Thank you!

**UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION:** Remember to log in to your **Breeze** account, and make sure all your contact information is correct – phone numbers, address, email accounts, etc. You can even **add your own PHOTO**. Call the church office if you need help: 713-290-9087.

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**Young Adults Bible Study—Mondays—6PM—OSL Youth Room:** This group is young adults (both married and single). We meet on Monday evenings at 6PM in the 4:12 Lounge (the Youth Room). We’ll have snacks and refreshments as we gather to study and visit. Please tell your friends!

*There is a NEW Bible Study on Monday evenings from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the Bible Class Room.* We are studying the book of **REVELATION** with **Pastor White**. Everyone is welcome! There will be light snacks beginning at 6:30 pm. Join us for God’s Word and great Christian fellowship. Contact Bill Prestwood with any questions: [bprestwood@osl.cc](mailto:bprestwood@osl.cc) or 806-626-5244.

**WEEKLY MEN’S BIBLE STUDY** –All men are invited on **Wednesday** mornings in the Bible Class Room, at 6:30-7:30 a.m. Join on ZOOM, ID: 88057716122, passcode: oslma. Contact Channing Wood at [channing@toddyblends.com](mailto:channing@toddyblends.com).

**PASTOR WHITE’S WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS** meets from 10:00-12:00, and we are studying *Romans, Chief Part of the New Testament and the Very Purest Gospel*. Food and fellowship provided of course!

**ZOOM BIBLE STUDY THURSDAYS** – Join us for the Word on the Web as we study John’s Gospel on Thursdays at 6PM. Go to: <https://osl.cc/the-word-on-the-web> to join the study. You need Zoom installed on your phone or computer with microphone and camera to participate.

**SHUT-IN MEMBER VISITS** – *Do you know of someone that is not able to make it to church and wants a visit?* Please contact Pastor Cholak: 713-290-9087 or [scholak@osl.cc](mailto:scholak@osl.cc) .

**CART CREW DRIVERS NEEDED!** Please consider joining a Cart Crew Team! You must be 16 or older and have a valid driver’s license. Please contact the church office 713-290-9087, or Andy Adams [aadams@adamsins.com](mailto:aadams@adamsins.com), to add your name to the list.

**GREETERS NEEDED to serve the Lord with gladness!** Get to know your fellow church family. Call Garry Stuhr for information: 281-704-7129.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED in Audio-Visual Ministry:** Learn from a “hands on” perspective, call 713-290-9087, leave your name and number, and we will contact you. No experience necessary.

**Welcome all who enjoy “Stitching” crafts - crochet, knit, cross stitch, embroidery, etc.** This Fellowship Group meets on **Tuesdays at 6:30pm** in the **Family Room**. Come visit with others that enjoy working on projects and want help from others in the process. For questions, please contact Jackie Jolley-Lowery at [jlowlery@osl.cc](mailto:jlowlery@osl.cc) or call the church office.

**Calling for Cross-stitchers!** If you are interested in helping make the Chrismon ornaments for our Sunday School children, we are looking for stitchers! The patterns are simple and we will provide you with the materials. If interested, please contact Sarah in the church office.

**Calling all babysitters!** We need people to call for babysitting for upcoming events including but not limited to F.A.S.T and New Member classes. We would love to add you to the list, so that we know who we can call on for help! Please reach out to Jackie Jolley-Lowery at the church office by phone or email [jlowery@osl.cc](mailto:jlowery@osl.cc).

**OSL School is seeking a part-time school nurse/receptionist** for the 2025-2026 school year. Qualified nursing candidates with a passion for working with children should contact Diane White, [dwhite@oslschool.org](mailto:dwhite@oslschool.org) or 713-290-8277.



**Baby Blanket Ministry:** We gave out 28 blankets last week to the Blue Bus. Thanks to all those who contribute! Call Ethelene to learn more: 713-542-7534.



**Also, HCFL needs part-time Bus drivers!** Call Christine: 713-395-1330.



Thank you to everyone who donated diapers to Houston Coalition for Life!



***We filled Elyssa's Jeep Cherokee to max capacity!  
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**MEASURE OF DEVOTION:** Last week Sunday, we had 375 people in attendance (last year 359), 672 viewers online. For Ascension Day we had 91 (last year 138).

### Our Ministry Challenge

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Tithes & Offerings for last week .....            | \$ 30,253.72    |
| Tithes & Offerings to date – week 22 .....        | \$ 772,854.95   |
| Tithes & Offerings needed each week .....         | \$ 42,134.00    |
| Tithes & Offerings needed to date – week 22 ..... | \$ 926,948.00   |
| General Fund Income to date .....                 | \$ 2,753,849.34 |
| Special Contributions to date .....               | \$ 299,256.29   |

*“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.” Malachi 3:10*

## Those To Serve:

|                    | Today, Sunday, June 8, at 9:30AM ~ Pentecost                                  | Next Week, Sunday, June 15, at 9:30AM~ Trinity/Father's Day                     |
|--------------------|---|---|
| <b>ELDERS:</b>     | Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Mark Dube / Gene Kunkel                        | Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Mark Dube / Gene Kunkel                          |
| <b>USHERS:</b>     | Downie Team   | Gobrogge Team   |
| <b>SOUND:</b>      | Whiting   | Witt  |
| <b>CARTS:</b>      | Stephens Team   | Adams Team  |
| <b>ACOLYTES:</b>   | Huck Bender / Kaitlyn Kramer / Katie Ripple /<br>Megan Ripple / Prynce Willis | Brynn Burttschell / Abby Frazier / Iris Ferrarese / Trip Halbert<br>/ Evan Wood |
| <b>ALTAR GLD:</b>  | Ann Putman Team   | —   |
| <b>COMM. ASST:</b> | Brian Nitsch / Channing Wood / Gene Kunkel / Mark Dube                        | —   |
| <b>EVANGELISM:</b> | Team 1 Lee  | Team 2 Garry  |
| <b>GREETERS:</b>   | TEAM 7: Fehrenkamp / Fritsche   | TEAM 8: Greenwood / Domann / Peterson   |
| <b>MUSIC:</b>      | Jubilate Choir / Exultae Brass  | —   |
| <b>VIDEO:</b>      | Adam White / Wesley White   | Adam White / Wesley White   |

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# OSL at a Glance

## Sunday, June 8, 2025 ~ Pentecost

| <i>Event</i>         | <i>Time</i>   | <i>Location</i>            |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| Bible Class          | 8:15am        | Bible Class Room           |
| <b>Communion</b>     | <b>9:30am</b> | <b>Church &amp; online</b> |
| Sunday School        | 10:45am       |                            |
| Baptism – Cunningham | 12:00pm       | Church                     |
| Laudate – Choir Rm   | 12:00pm       | Church Choir Room          |



## Monday, June 9, 2025

|                               |        |                  |
|-------------------------------|--------|------------------|
| Joseph's Guild of Colors-LWML | 9:00am | LWML             |
| Young Adults Bible Study-YR   | 6:00pm | Youth Room       |
| Monday Night Bible Class      | 6:30pm | Bible Class Room |

## Tuesday, June 10, 2025

|                                |               |                       |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Braille</i>                 | <i>8:30am</i> | <i>Concordia LCMS</i> |
| Stitches Fellowship Group - FR | 6:30pm        | Family Room           |
| Trustees-Maintenance Bldg.     | 6:30pm        | Maintenance Building  |
| Parish Ed mtg-YR               | 7:00pm        | Youth Room            |

## Wednesday, June 11, 2025

|                      |         |                  |
|----------------------|---------|------------------|
| Men's Bible Study-BC | 6:30am  | Bible Class Room |
| Bible Class-BC       | 10:00am | Bible Class Room |
| Bulletin Deadline    | 12:00pm | Church Office    |

## Thursday, June 12, 2025

|                                      |        |   |
|--------------------------------------|--------|---|
| Prayer Request printing deadline     | 3:00pm | Church office   |
| Word Web Bible Study-Zoom            | 6:00pm | <a href="https://osl.cc/the-word-on-the-web">https://osl.cc/the-word-on-the-web</a> |
| Jubilate Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary | 7:00pm | Choir Loft  |

## Friday, June 13, 2025

|                               |        |      |
|-------------------------------|--------|------|
| Joseph's Guild of Colors-LWML | 9:00am | LWML |
|-------------------------------|--------|------|

## Saturday, June 14, 2025 ~ Flag Day

## Sunday, June 15, 2025 ~ Trinity Sunday & Father's Day

|                            |               |                            |
|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| Bible Class                | 8:15am        | Bible Class Room           |
| <b>Matins</b>              | <b>9:30am</b> | <b>Church &amp; online</b> |
| Sunday School              | 10:45am       |                            |
| <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> |               |                            |



**Baby Bottle Boomerang! LWML Night Circle** is sponsoring a Baby Bottle Boomerang from Mother's Day to **Father's Day** with your contributions helping the Big Blue Bus Project. Collect your spare change for our Baby Bottle Boomerang. *Thanks!*








June 16th-18th

# EXODUS

VBS 2025  
5:30 - 8:30PM

**ESCAPE EGYPT AND  
FIND MOUNT SINAI!**



**REGISTER TODAY!**

## *Nightly Schedule:*

**5:30 PM** – Each evening will start with a delicious family meal and fellowship time in Pharaoh's Dining Hall. Dinner is served until 6:00 PM each night.

**6:15 PM** – Welcome & Introduction - Each night's theme will be introduced as we take the journey into EXODUS.

**6:30 PM to 8:30 PM – VBS Program** – Kids preschool age to Grade 5 (completed) participate in our VBS program. Our meet and greet will teach each night's theme, followed by music and plenty of play. Kids and teens (Grade 6 and through high school) will participate as group leaders.

**Adults will attend a separate study in the cafeteria.**

The **VBS FINALE** will take place at the conclusion of the VBS program on Wednesday evening.

*Attendees will receive a free T-Shirt, but supplies may be limited, please register early to secure yours!*



*Teachers Needed!*

*We need and welcome your help!*

Volunteer teachers are needed for Summer Sunday School, so if you're able, please consider teaching one, or maybe two, classes.

*To sign up, you scan the QR code to access the Sign-up Genius page where you will be able to see the grades and dates where teachers are needed.* You may email Pastor Cholak with any questions: [scholak@osl.cc](mailto:scholak@osl.cc).



The **Sunday School Teachers** meet on the **3rd Saturday** of each month at **10AM**, in the **Youth Room** for information. Pastor Cholak sends out a weekly Sunday School email with lesson outline, video helps, and more.

*Thank you for your consideration!*