

And they were all filled with the

HOLY SPIRIT.

ACTS 2:4

The Day of Pentecost
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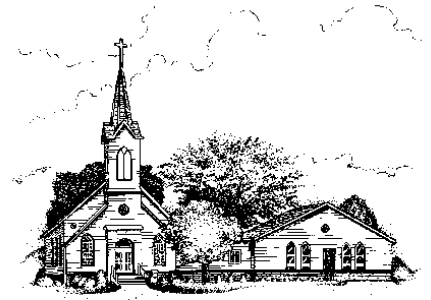
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Welcome to God's House

Jesus told his disciples that, though he was going to ascend into heaven, he wasn't going to leave them alone. He was going to send "the Advocate," a title for the Holy Spirit. But Jesus wasn't sending the Spirit just to keep us company. Jesus would have the Advocate give us spiritual power so that we might participate in Christ's saving work. Here is the final resurrection reality. The Spirit gives us the ability to raise the spiritually dead to life.



We see this happen on Pentecost. The festival of Pentecost was held fifty days after the Passover. (Pentecost is Greek for "fifty.") It was a time to thank God for the harvest. But on that day, through the Church at work, the Holy Spirit gathered another harvest, a harvest of souls. Therefore, Pentecost is the third great festival of the Church, along with the Nativity and the Resurrection. With the Festival of Pentecost, the festival half of the Church Year comes to a close.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Hymn

**Holy Spirit, Light Divine #593 (early service)
May the Peoples Praise You – Psalm 67F (late service)**

Invocation

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

Dialogue for Pentecost

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.
The Spirit of God has made me; the breath of the Almighty gives me life.

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?
If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

The Lord said, "My Spirit will not contend with man forever."
O Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger or discipline me in your wrath.

Be merciful to me, Lord, for I am faint; O Lord, heal me, for my bones are in agony.
Turn, O Lord, and deliver me; save me because of your unfailing love.

Jesus said to his disciples, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."
No one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor.
There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free

from the law of sin and death.

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

Come, Holy Spirit! Fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in us The fire of your love. Alleluia!

Song of Praise

O Holy Spirit, Enter In #590:1-2

♪ 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.

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.

THE WORD

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

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.

First Reading

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ² He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. ³ He asked me, “Son of man, can these bones live?”

I said, “Sovereign Lord, you alone know.”

⁴ Then he said to me, “Prophesy to these bones and say to them, ‘Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! ⁵ This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. ⁶ I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord.’”

⁷ So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. ⁸ I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them.

⁹ Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live.’” ¹⁰ So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army.

¹¹ Then he said to me: “Son of man, these bones are the people of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut

off.’¹² Therefore prophesy and say to them: ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: My people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel.’¹³ Then you, my people, will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and bring you up from them.¹⁴ I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord.’”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

O Give Thanks to the LORD - Psalm 107B

Refrain

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is gra-cious,
for his stead - fast love en - dures for - ev - er.

Tone

Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their / story—
those he redeemed from the hand / of the foe,
those he gathered / from the lands,
from east and west, from / north and south.

Some wandered in desert wastelands, hungry and / thirsty;
some sat in utter darkness, prisoners suffering in / iron chains.
Some became fools through their re- / bellious ways
and suffered affliction because of their in- / iquities.

Then they cried to the Lord in their / trouble,
and he saved them from / their distress.
He sent out his word and / healed them;
he rescued them / from the grave. **Refrain**

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his un- / failing love
and his wonderful deeds / for mankind.
Let them sacrifice thank / offerings
and tell of his works with / songs of joy.

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. **Refrain**

Second Reading

Acts 2:1-21

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

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native

language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

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

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ “In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,

your young men will see visions,

your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above

and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood

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

²¹ And everyone who calls

on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Antiphon for Pentecost

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

Gospel

John 15:26-27 – 16:4b-11

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

I did not tell you this from the beginning because I was with you, ⁵ but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶ Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things. ⁷ But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ about sin, because people do not believe in me; ¹⁰ about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; ¹¹ and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn

O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace #591

O Holy Spirit, grant us grace that we our Lord and Savior
in faith and fervent love embrace and truly serve him ever,

so that when death is near at hand we at his cross may firmly stand
and there find our salvation.

Help us that we your saving Word in faithful hearts may treasure;
let e'er that bread of life afford new grace in richest measure.

Make us to die to ev'ry sin; each day create us new within
that fruits of faith may flourish.

Then when our earthly race is run, death's bitter hour impending,
may your good work in us begun continue till life's ending,
until we gladly may commend our souls into our Savior's hand
to rest in peace eternal.

Sermon

Acts 2:1-21

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

Please be seated

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 our weakness. 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 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...

Come, Holy Spirit, renew our hearts
And kindle in us the fire of your love. Amen.

Offering

Hymn

God's Holy Spirit Came #479



1 God's Ho - ly Spir - it came with rush - ing wind and fire,
2 God sent the Spir - it forth ful - fill - ing proph - ets' word,
3 God's Spir - it filled each one as Je - sus had fore - told.
4 God's Church a - live to - day con - tin - ues to pro - claim



Christ's pres - ence here to com - fort, bless and to in - spire.
to those who fol - lowed Je - sus and who called him Lord.
In man - y tongues they spoke God's Word, re - newed and bold.
sal - va - tion by the Spir - it's pow'r in Je - sus' name.



The Spir - it thus be - gan God's ho - ly work on earth
And as dis - ci - ples met near tem - ple courts for prayer
"Re - pent and be bap - tized," preached Pe - ter in that hour,
Let all be - liev - ers now their tongues and lives em - ploy.



at Pen - te - cost, a gift that gave the Church its birth.
the Spir - it blew and rest - ed on those gath - ered there.
and thou - sands came be - liev - ing by the Spir - it's pow'r.
Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, our high - est joy!

Prayer

O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

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.

Hymn

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May the Peoples Praise You – Psalm 67F

After a brief introduction, the Sunday School students will sing the first two verses and the refrain. The congregation is invited to sing vv. 3-5 with the refrains as indicated.



1 You have called us out of dark - est night in -
2 May our ev - 'ry breath re - tell the grace that
3 All the earth is yours and all with - in, each
4 May the seeds of mer - cy grow in us for
5 This our ho - ly priv - 'lege to de - clare your



to your glo - rious light, that we may sing the
broke in - to our strife with bound - less love and
har - vest is your own, and from your hand we
those who have not heard. May songs of praise build
prais - es and your name to ev - 'ry na - tion,



won - ders of the ris - en Christ. v. 2
deep - est joy, with end - less life. Refrain
give to you, to make Christ known. v. 4
lives of grace to spread your Word. Refrain
tribe, and tongue, your church pro - claim. Final Refrain

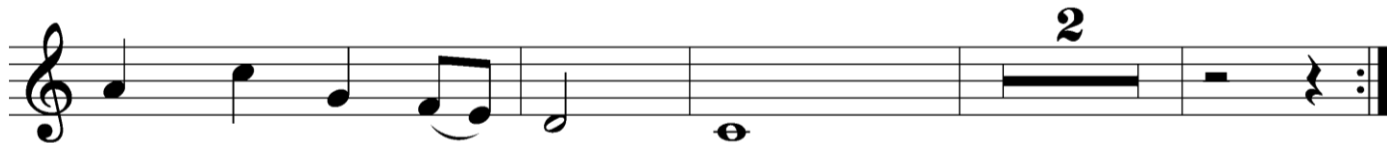
Refrain



May the peo - ples praise you, let the na - tions be glad.



All your bless - ing comes that we may praise, may



praise the name of Je - sus.

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Detailed description: This block contains the first line of musical notation. It features a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of eight measures. The first seven measures contain the lyrics 'praise the name of Je - sus.' The eighth measure is a whole note chord consisting of a B-flat and a D, with a fermata above it and a '2' above the staff, indicating a second ending. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Final Refrain



May the peo - ples praise you, let the na - tions be glad. All your

Detailed description: This block contains the first line of the final refrain. It features a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of eight measures. The lyrics are 'May the peo - ples praise you, let the na - tions be glad. All your'. The piece ends with a double bar line.



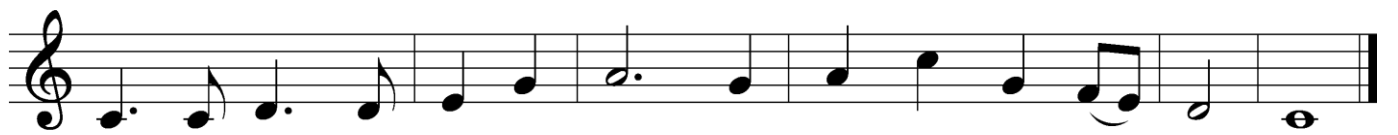
bles - ing comes that we may praise, may praise the name of Je - sus.

Detailed description: This block contains the second line of the final refrain. It features a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of eight measures. The lyrics are 'bles - ing comes that we may praise, may praise the name of Je - sus.'. The piece ends with a double bar line.



May the peo - ples praise you, let the na - tions be glad. All your

Detailed description: This block contains the third line of the final refrain. It features a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of eight measures. The lyrics are 'May the peo - ples praise you, let the na - tions be glad. All your'. The piece ends with a double bar line.



bles - ing comes that we may praise, may praise the name of Je - sus.

Detailed description: This block contains the fourth line of the final refrain. It features a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of eight measures. The lyrics are 'bles - ing comes that we may praise, may praise the name of Je - sus.'. The piece ends with a double bar line.

This Week at Zion

Today:	7:30 / 9:45 a.m.	Pentecost Worship
	8:30 / 8:45 a.m.	Sunday School / Bible study
	4:00 p.m.	Winnebago Lutheran Academy Spring Concert at Buttermilk Creek Park, FdL
Mon:	10:00 a.m.	OWLS Meeting at Peace Hartford
Tue:	6:30 p.m.	Ladies' Aid Meeting
Thu:	10:00 a.m.	Call Day at the Seminary
	7:00 p.m.	Commencement Concert at the Seminary
	7:00 p.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
Sat:	1:00 p.m.	Kettle Moraine Lutheran Graduation
Sun:	7:30 / 9:00 a.m.	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:15 a.m.	Memorial Day Observance in the cemetery

In Our Prayers Darleen Oelhafen, at Cedar Bay in West Bend; also JoAnne Noel, still recovering and receiving PT after a knee replacement.

Memorial Day Observance The Allenton Legion will be with us next Sunday, May 26th, after the late service. We'll gather out in the cemetery about 10:15 a.m. for a short ceremony to be reminded of all the fallen warriors across the lifespan of our nation who gave their lives "so that others may live."

We thank the organists who served us this weekend: Barb Olsen on Thursday and Bea Pamperin Sunday. **We also thank** our older Sunday School students who sang this morning (Sunday).

Thank You! Our volunteers at church never get the recognition they deserve. That goes for our Sunday School teachers as well. Since this is the last Sunday School class before a summer break, we take this opportunity to thank them and recognize them for their service to our congregation and to the children of Zion: Barbara & Henry Kluever (Pre-K); Shannon & Tarah

Allison (1st-2nd); Heather Stensaas, Julie Wolf & Abbi Wolf (3rd-4th); Joy Pamperin (5th-6th); and Adam Janz (7th-8th).

Vacation Bible School Sunday School may be taking a break for the summer, but we have something to look forward to in August. Vacation Bible School will go from August 5th – 8th from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. We have a planning meeting on Sunday, June 2nd at 6 p.m. at church (anyone wanting to help is asked to join us). Watch the weekly bulletin for lots of information to come. For now, save the date!

Summer Worship Schedule Our summer worship schedule begins next weekend on May 26th. The early service remains at 7:30 a.m. but the late service moves a little early at **9:00 a.m.** We'll keep this schedule through Labor Day weekend. For those who are on vacation, at a tournament, out of town on the weekends, or even doing a DYI project on the weekend, remember our Thursday evening service is year 'round at 7 p.m. Feed your faith with God's Word at church this summer!

Church Cleaning This summer again we are seeking members who are willing to clean the church for the months of June - September. During the summer our facilities are not used as extensively as during the school year so it doesn't take as much time, but it still needs to be done. There is a bright pink signup on the bulletin board. The month of June is filled up but lots of weeks are still available from July – September. Please consider this volunteer opportunity!

Sign up to Greet Thanks to all who have been serving as greeters for our worship services each weekend. We'd love to work our volunteers out of a job by making this something self-sustaining...people simply signing up on their own as often as you'd like. Go to www.zionallenton.org and click on the "Greeter Signup" at the bottom of the page.

LMSG Door Offering We will have a door offering in support of the Lutheran Military Support Group (LMSG.) next weekend (Memorial Day weekend). The LMSG supports our military men, women, and their

families, the WELS European Chaplain Program, and global broadcasts of *Time of Grace* to our military. If you have questions or would like more information please visit www.lutheranmilitary.org. Thank you!

WELS Connection This month's video begins with a story from Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School and our area Lutheran high schools in general. Enrollment in WELS' 28 area Lutheran high schools has risen in the last five years. Discover the opportunities this offers both for outreach to the unchurched and for recruitment of young people for the public ministry.

Summer Camps Kettle Moraine Lutheran and Luther Prep still have openings for their popular summer camps. From athletics to activities, arts camps to adventure camps, they have something for your child, no matter what their interests are. For more information or to register, go to KML's website at www.kmlhs.org/camps or to the LPS website at https://www.lps.wels.net/apps/pages/summer_camps. Other camps in the area are also hosting summer camps...check the newsletter.

New Members Do you or do you know of someone who would like to become a member of Zion? The route to church membership includes an adult instruction class that is held at various times of the year, depending on the schedules of those desiring the class. Contact Pastor Bode at 262.483.0407 or revsdb@aol.com

