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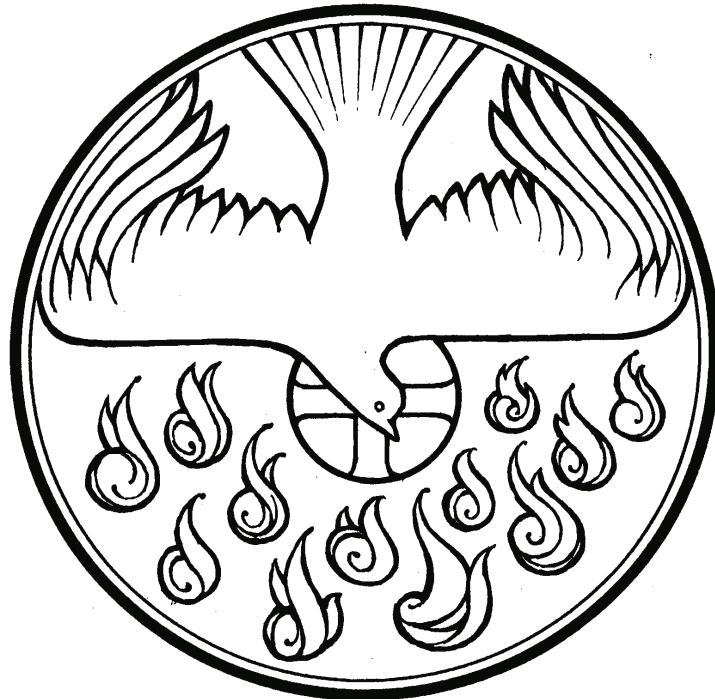
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*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,
and kindle in them the fire of Your love.*

Liturgical Text

DIVINE SERVICE	Setting One
Hymn of Invocation	# 497
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Introit	
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.	
O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.	
These all look to you, to give them their food in due season.	
When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.	
When you send forth your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.	
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.	
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.	
Kyrie	p. 152
This Is the Feast	p. 155
Salutation & Collect	p. 156
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.	

First Reading: Genesis 11:1-9 (ESV)

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. 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. 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." And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. 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. Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." So the Lord dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. 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.

Gradual

Christ has risen from the dead.

**God the Father has crowned him with glory and honor,
He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;
he has put all things under his feet.**

Epistle Reading: Acts 2:1-21 (ESV)

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and

the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

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. For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: " '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; even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.'

And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

"Alleluia"

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Holy Gospel: St. John 14:23-31 (ESV)

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. 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.*

"These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. 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. 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. 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. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on Me, 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."

Nicene Creed	p. 158
Hymn of the Day	# 500
Sermon	The Three Miracles of Pentecost
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P Grant us Your Spirit, O Lord, C and teach us all things.	
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“What Shall I Render”	p. 159
Service of the Sacrament	p. 160
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Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion in which we joyfully receive Christ's Body and Blood, under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. As we celebrate the Sacrament, we also give public witness that we are in complete agreement with the denomination's doctrinal teachings at whose altar we commune. Therefore, we ask that only communicant members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod commune with us. All guests are asked to talk to Rev. Heller before coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament.

In our thoughts and prayers,

- † Our sick and recovering: Barney Baszler, Vera Heine, Diane Kilsdonk (Fred Oberlander's sister), Carolyn Riegel, Cliff Schaan & Deane Weidner;
- † Our 2010 high school graduates;
- † Cassi Schriefer, on a mission trip to Costa Rica;
- † Matt & Angie Kuschel & family, for safe travel;
- † For rain and favorable weather, that all agricultural endeavors may produce a bountiful harvest.

Welcome to worship on the Feast of Pentecost. Pentecost, which is 50 days after Easter Sunday, is the crowning close of the Easter season. On this day, the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Holy Trinity, was poured out on the apostles for the purpose of creating our Lord's church on earth. The Spirit is the Comforter, the One promised by our Lord, who comforts us by bringing us to Jesus Christ, so that we trust, rejoice, and find comfort in Him alone. Visitors, please sign our guest book and worship with us again soon!



Today, we recognize our 2010 high school graduates: Samantha Johnson, Brandon Renner, Kasey Schmidt, and Lucas Senske. Congratulations and God's richest blessings on your future plans!

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after worship this morning.

LWML will have a business meeting after worship this morning to discuss the District Convention in Bismarck in June and the Fireman's Supper in June.

Thank You: We would like to thank our Sunday and Wednesday School teachers for their loving and dedicated service through the year. Your service is greatly appreciated!



Vacation Bible School will be June 6-10. Tiffany Weigum has volunteered to be our director. Please contact her if you are willing to help or if you have any questions. Enrollment forms are on the table in the fellowship hall. Please fill them out and return to Tiffany.



Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 128 Offerings: \$2,263.00

By the power of the Holy Spirit our Lord's disciples became bold witnesses through words and actions that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior. Their stewardship of the Gospel and of material possessions is for us a good reminder that all we are and have are gifts from God to manage in a way that pleases Him and blesses others.

*Please fill out a Record of Fellowship Card this morning.
The cards should be filled out whether or not you
attend Communion.
Place completed cards in the collection plate.
Thank you.*

† This Week at Concordia †

Today	7:30 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	9:15 am	Divine Service
Monday	7:00 pm	Young Women's Guild @ Church
Tuesday	2:00 pm	Bible Class
Wednesday	12:30 pm	Pastor @ Senior Suites, Hazen
Thursday	9:00 am	Deadline for June Calendar
Sunday	7:30 am	<i>Worship @ Glen Ullin</i>
	9:15 am	Divine Service

Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM—12:30 PM

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