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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

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Hymn of Invocation

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Introit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful

and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.

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.

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Kyrie

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This is the Feast

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Salutation & Collect

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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.

Old Testament: Numbers 11:24-30 (ESV)

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those

registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, “My lord Moses, stop them.” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, that the Lord would put his Spirit on them!” And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Gradual

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,

and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.

With the heart one believes and is justified,

and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

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.”

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Holy Gospel: St. John 7:37-39 (ESV)

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, *“If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. Whoever believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of His heart will flow rivers of living water.’”* Now this He said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Apostles’ Creed p. 151

Hymn of the Day # 768

Sermon

Prayer of the Church

Offering

Our Hand Bell Choir will ring “Crown Him with Many Crowns” during the offering.

“What Shall I Render” p. 159

The Lord’s Prayer p. 162

Closing Collect

Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that the Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ’s holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Benediction p. 166

Closing Hymn # 650

In our thoughts and prayers,



- + Our sick and recovering: Lenora Hafner, Harold Link, Mary Oestreich, Marlin Rueb, Dan Weidner, & Alex Woroniecki;
 - + For rain and favorable weather, that all agricultural endeavors may produce a bountiful harvest.
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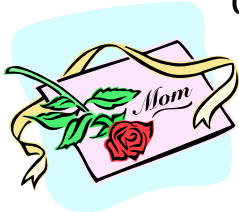
Welcome to worship on the Feast of Pentecost. Pentecost, which is 50 days after Easter Sunday, is the crowning close of the Easter season. On this day, the Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Holy Trinity, was poured out on the apostles for the purpose of creating our Lord's church on earth. The Spirit 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!

This morning, we welcome Rev. Dr. Larry Harvala, the President of the North Dakota District. We thank President Harvala for leading our worship today.

This morning in Sunday School, the children learn that as God did with Paul, so God does with us. Through the Law we are crushed by the weight of our sin and are helpless. As God revived Paul through Ananias (Acts 9:1-31), He revives us through our pastors with the proclamation of His Word and the administration of His Sacraments granting forgiveness, life, and salvation to all who believe. Talk to your children about how the Sacraments and God's Word revive you so that you may live as God's child.

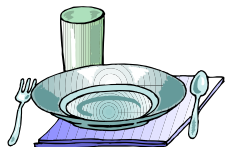
Matt & Angie Mission Update: Please join us after worship today for coffee, Kool-Aid, and bars. Not only is this a good reminder to keep Matt, Angie, and family in your prayers, but we will hear a mission update of their work. There will be a free-will offering.

On Mother's Day, we celebrate how our mothers confessed their Christian faith to us. How well it is for us to listen to the words of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther in the explanation of the 4th commandment:



“The perversity of the world God knows very well. By means of commandments, therefore, He reminds and impels everyone to consider what his parents have done for him. Then everybody recognizes that he has received his body and life from them and that he has been nourished and nurtured by them when otherwise he would have perished a hundred times in his own filth. The wise men of old were right when they said ‘God, parents, and teachers can never be sufficiently thanked and repaid.’ He who views the matter in this light will, without compulsion, give honor to his parents and esteem them as those through whom God has given him all blessings” (Large Catechism).

Council Members, please remember our meeting Thursday, May 15th, 7:00 PM.



Potluck recognition of our confirmands and 2008 high school graduates will be Sunday, May 18th, 11:00 AM.

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and LYF would like to extend a huge “thank you” to all who participated in Helping Hands Day. Nineteen participants cleaned five yards and planted flowers around the Church. Thank you to everyone who helped out.

Greeters are needed for the months of May and June. If you are interested, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the social hall.

Melissa Voegele has volunteered to be the director of Vacation Bible School. This year's theme is Friendship Trek: Jesus, our Forever Friend.



We are planning to have VBS the evenings of June 2nd – June 6th, from 5:30 – 8:00 PM. Registration forms are on the table in the social hall. Please return all completed forms to Melissa, Terence Schmidt or Pastor Heller. If you are willing to help with VBS, please talk to Melissa, 873-5099 or email windhill@westriv.com or Pastor Heller. Please consider joining us as we journey on this Friendship Trek with the children to learn about Jesus' love.

Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 175 Offering: \$2,932.25



Empowered by the miraculous power of the Holy Spirit, Peter and the other disciples practiced good stewardship of the Gospel of Jesus Christ by boldly proclaiming that all who call upon the name of the Lord [Jesus] will be saved. Our stewardship is not just about time, talent and treasure, but also about our testimony. May the Holy Spirit help us always to be good stewards of the Gospel, first by believing it and then by sharing it with others.

+ This Week at Concordia +

Today	9:00 AM	Worship Service
	10:15 AM	Sunday School/Mission Update
Tuesday	1:30 PM	Naomi Guild
Thursday	7:00 PM	Council Meeting
Sunday	9:00 AM	Divine Service
	10:15 AM	Sunday School/Bible Class * Last Day of Sunday School

Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

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Please remember to fill out a Record of Friendship Card this morning.

*To keep accurate records, we ask that you fill out a card
each Sunday listing all family members attending*

Worship as well as Communing.

Place completed card in the collection plate.

