Concordia Lutheran Church

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The Day of Pentecost



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

Liturgical Text

Divine Service Setting One

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Introit

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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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and kindle in them the fire of your love.

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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: 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

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 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."

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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 & recovering: Rev. Mark Drews, Buck Follis (father of Kim Senske), Donald Kuch (brother-in-law of Leeta Aanderud), Luella Langmack (sister of Walter Morast), Cheryl Marsh (daughter of Ardella Halter), Lorraine Sturn (sister of Elsie Buchmann), & Avery Sukut (cousin of Amy Bieber);

† Our nursing home residents, that God would keep them under His gracious care;

† 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!

Please join us for Bible class after worship this morning.

Sarah Guild will meet Monday, May 16, 7:00 pm.

Potluck Recognition: Please join us Sunday, May 22, 10:30 am, to honor our Confirmands.

Vacation Bible School: Barnyard Roundup VBS will take place May 31-June 3 from 5-7:30 pm at the church. If anyone would like to volunteer to help, please let Anne

Rosenow know. Check the bulletin for information to come.

The May Human Care Project is collecting pasta for Women's Action & Resource Center. Please place your donation in the pantry unit in entryway. Thank you.

Copies of the "Good News Gazette" are on the table in the fellowship hall. It features books that speak to real-life, regular church people about the gifts God has for them. Order

information is on the back cover of the flyer.



Our Stewardship of Offerings and Attendance

Worship: 103 Offerings: \$1,997.50

"When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place." Notice that Pentecost is actually an Old Testament festival: it happens around the time when the wheat and oats are ready to be brought in. In the New Testament this becomes a picture and foreshadowing of the great harvest of humankind that God means to bring in through the preaching of His Word. God gives the seed, and God brings about the harvest – through the work of His Church.

WE ARE THE NORTH DAKOTA DISTRICT — During last year's District fiscal budget, our North Dakota District congregations remitted \$827,716 for our work together as District. Of this amount, 34% (right off the top!) goes directly to the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod for our Life Together as a Synod. Synod uses these gifts for: National and International Missions (52%), Pastoral Education (5%), KFUO (2%), Mission Advancement (10%), Communications (5%), University Education (5%), Ecclesiastical Services and Commissions (6%), Synod Officers and Administration (7%), and General Administration (7%).

† This Week at Concordia †

Sunday 8:30 am Divine Service

9:30 am Bible Class

11:00 am Worship @ Glen Ullin

Monday 7:00 pm Sarah Guild

Tuesday 10:15 am Holy Communion @ Knife River

Care Center

Wednesday 7:00 pm Chime Practice

7:30 pm Bell Practice

Thursday 2:30 pm Pastor @ Marian Manor,

Glen Ullin

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10:30 am Potluck Recognition Brunch

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Church Office Hours

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