

THE DAY OF PENTECOST

May 31, 2020

WELCOME TO
MOUNT OLIVE LUTHERAN CHURCH



Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.
Education Hour 10:20 a.m.



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Welcome on this day of Pentecost!
May we be open to the Holy Spirit's movement among us.

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This day was foreshadowed when the Spirit rested on Eldad and Medad long ago (Numbers 11:26). This day was promised by Jesus, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8). This day was fulfilled on that Pentecost, when, with tongues as of fire, the apostles spoke the Gospel of Jesus to all those who had gathered in Jerusalem in their own languages. This day is fulfilled among us as we sing of Jesus, as we listen to the Scriptures, as we hear the Gospel proclaimed in our own language, and as God sends us out to be witnesses in the places we live and visit. Hail thee festival day! As promised long ago, the Holy Spirit breathes Jesus' life among us!

PRELUDE

WELCOME

RINGING OF THE CARILLON

To reduce particle transmission please stay seated throughout the service and maintain a six foot distance from others.

GATHERING
We Enter God's Presence.

INVOCATION

OPENING SENTENCES

Come, Holy Spirit,
Fill the hearts of the faithful,
And kindle in them the fire of Your love.
Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION (Psalm 25:7, 11)

The Psalmist prays and confesses, saying:

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to Your steadfast love remember me. For Your name's sake, O Lord, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

These words of confession are our prayer also. In repentant faith, we acknowledge our sin.

Silence for meditation and personal confession.

We repent of our suspicion and caution towards the outpouring of the Spirit among us,

Lord, have mercy!

We repent of our failure to live in ways consistent with the gifts of the Spirit,

Lord, have mercy!

We repent of our timid refusal to speak of Christ to our friends and neighbors,

Lord, have mercy!

We repent of our stingy neglect of those who are poor and downtrodden,

Lord, have mercy!

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. Whoever believes in Jesus, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water!

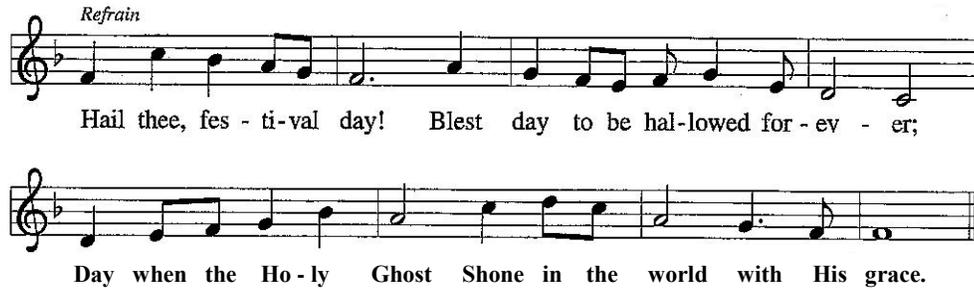
Amen.

H Y M N

Hail Thee, Festival Day

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Refrain



Hail thee, fes - ti-val day! Blest day to be hal-lowed for - ev - er;
Day when the Ho - ly Ghost Shone in the world with His grace.

Cantor: Bright and in likeness of fire, on those who await His appearing,
He whom the Lord has foretold suddenly, swiftly descends: **Refrain**

Cantor: Hark! For in myriad tongues Christ's own, His chosen apostles,
Preached to the ends of the earth Christ and His wonderful works: **Refrain**

Cantor: God the Almighty, the Lord, The ruler of earth and the heavens,
Guard us from harm without; Cleanse us from evil within: **Refrain**

Cantor: Jesus, the health of the world, Creator of all and redeemer,
Son of the Father supreme, Only-begotten of God: **Refrain**

Cantor: Spirit of life and of pow'r, now flow in us, fount of our being,
Light that enlightens us all, life that in all may abide: **Refrain**

Cantor: Praise to the giver of good! O Lover and Author of concord,
Pour out Your balm on our days; Order our ways in Your peace: **Refrain**

A P O S T O L I C G R E E T I N G

P R A Y E R O F T H E D A Y

W O R D
We Hear God's Word.

FIRST LESSON

Numbers 11:24-30

The Spirit descends on the elders of Israel.

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵ 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 when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. ²⁶ 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. ²⁷ And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸ And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" ²⁹ But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!" ³⁰ And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp. (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God! (*shouted*)

PSALM 25:1-15 (*antiphon, v. 4*)



Cantor: Make me to know your ways, | O Lord;* teach me | your paths.

Cantor: To you, | O Lord,* I lift | up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame;* let not my enemies exult | over me.

Cantor: Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame;* they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.

Make me to know your ways, | O Lord;* teach me | your paths.

Cantor: Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my sal- | vation;* for you I wait all the | day long.

Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your | steadfast love,* for they have been | from of old.

Cantor: Remember not the sins of my youth or my trans- | gressions;* according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, | O Lord!

Good and upright | is the Lord;* therefore he instructs sinners | in the way.



Cantor: He leads the humble in | what is right,* and teaches the humble | his way.
**All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and | faithfulness,* for those
 who keep his covenant and his testi- | monies.**

Cantor: For your name's sake, | O Lord,* pardon my guilt, for | it is great.
**Who is the man who | fears the Lord?* Him will he instruct in the way
 that | he should choose.**

Cantor: His soul shall abide in well- | being,* and his offspring shall inher- | it the land.
**The friendship of the Lord is for those who | fear him,* and he makes
 known to them his | covenant.**

Cantor: My eyes are ever | toward the Lord,* for he will pluck my feet out | of the net.
**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.**

Cantor: Make me to know your ways, | O Lord;* teach me | your paths.

SECOND LESSON

Acts 2:1-21

The coming of the Holy Spirit.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.
²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind,
 and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of
 fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them
 were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the
 Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under
 heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was
 bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of
 each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are
 speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native
 language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea
 and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the
 parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and
 proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them
 speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed,
 saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said,
 "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised
 his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let
 this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as
 you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was

spoken through the prophet Joel:¹⁷In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' (NRSV)

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God! (*shouted*)

H Y M N O F P R A I S E

Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid

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**Creator Spirit, by whose aid The world's foundations first were laid,
Come, visit ev'ry humble mind; Come, pour Your joys on humankind;
From sin and sorrow set us free; May we Your living temples be.**

**O Source of uncreated light, The bearer of God's gracious might
Thrice holy fount, thrice holy fire, Our hearts with heav'nly love inspire;
Your sacred, healing message bring To sanctify us as we sing.**

**Giver of grace, descend from high; Your sev'nfold gifts to us supply;
Help us eternal truths receive And practice all that we believe;
Give us Yourself that we may see The glory of the Trinity.**

**Immortal honor, endless fame Attend the-almighty Father's name;
The Savior-Son be glorified, Who for all humankind has died;
To You, O Paraclete, we raise Unending songs of thanks and praise.**

H O L Y G O S P E L

John 7:37-39

Rivers of living water.

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventh chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord! (*shouted*)

³⁷ 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. ³⁸ Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” ³⁹ 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. (ESV)

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ! (*shouted*)

C H I L D R E N ’ S M E S S A G E

T H E T H I R D A R T I C L E O F T H E A P O S T L E S ’ C R E E D

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean?

I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength 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. In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. 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.

H Y M N

O Holy Spirit, Enter In

LSB 913

**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.**

**O mighty Rock, O Source of life, Let Your dear Word, in doubt and strife,
In us be strongly burning
That we be faithful unto death And live in love and holy faith,
From You true wisdom learning.
Your grace and peace On us shower; By Your power Christ confessing,
Let us see our Savior's blessing.**

S E R M O N

The Power of God (or, What are you filled with?) Text: Joel 2:28-29, Acts 2:1-21

P R A Y E R O F T H E C H U R C H

. . . Lord, in Your mercy,
Hear our prayer.
Into Your hands. . . Taught us to pray:
Our Father, Who art in Heaven. . . Amen.

<p style="text-align:center">S E N D I N G We Go Forth With God's Blessing To Serve.</p>

B E N E D I C T I O N

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Come Holy Ghost, God and Lord

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1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, God and Lord, with all your
2 Come, ho - ly Light, guide di - vine, now cause the
3 Come, ho - ly Fire, com - fort true, grant us the



grac - es now out - poured on each be - liev - er's
word of life to shine. Teach us to know our
will your work to do and in your ser - vice



mind and heart; your fer - vent love to them im - part.
God a - right as lov - ing Fa - ther, our de - light.
to a - bide; let tri - als turn us not a - side.



Lord, by the bright - ness of your light in ho - ly
From ev - 'ry er - ror keep us free; let none but
Lord, by your pow'r pre - pare each heart and to our



faith your church u - nite; from ev - 'ry land and
Christ our teach - er be, that we in liv - ing
weak - ness strength im - part, that brave - ly here we



ev - 'ry tongue, this to your praise, O Lord, our God, be sung:
faith a - bide, in him, our Lord, with all our might con - fide.
may con - tend, through life and death to you, our Lord, as - cend.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

P O S T L U D E

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NEXT SUNDAY —The Sunday of The Holy Trinity (Year A): Genesis 1:1-2a
Psalm 8; Acts 2:14a, 22-36; Matthew 28:16-20

*** ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP TODAY ***

ASSISTING MINISTER----- Mark Sorensen
LECTOR ----- Liz Matson
CANTOR-----Mark Flemmer

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR — Our virtual Adult Bible Class can be joined via a Zoom meeting at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3912069426> Meeting ID is 391 206 9426.

SPECIAL DAYS THIS WEEK — Anniversaries: 6/6 Max & Linda Williams;
Birthdays: 6/6 Ayanna Hogue.

VOTERS MEETING — To satisfy the constitutional requirements that a Voters Meeting be held in the month of May there will be a short Voters Meeting held today, May 31, following worship. The meeting will be called to order and adjourned to a meeting to be held at a later date.

HOLY COMMUNION — Communion will be offered weekly following the service. It will be prepared by pastor and/or Lay Minister before the worship service. All communing will remain at their seats, or standing, while Pastor leads a brief communion liturgy including the words of institution. Small paper plates will be placed on the communion rail in preparation for each table. When the table is prepared and it is time to receive communion, people will be invited to come forward one person/family group (up to 6) at a time on each side of the table. Wine & bread will be placed on the individual small paper plates before communicants step up. When communing, pastor will ask each person to pick up the cup first with one hand and the bread with the other to help minimize the risk of spilling. After each table has communed, each table will receive the words of dismissal from the pastor. Each communicant will place the empty plastic cup and plate in a prepared container.

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE — In addition to our regular Sunday service, an informal worship service opportunity will now be available every Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m.

YOUTUBE— Sunday services and other videos will be available on the Mount Olive YouTube channel. Subscribe to our channel (Mount Olive Lutheran Church Omaha) on YouTube or by visiting our Facebook page. Our YouTube channel can also be found at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3HE6an5bZa1Ba0sQRIJCmQ>

TOWN HALL — The Mount Olive Interim Task Force has completed its work. They have reviewed the feedback from last fall's Gathered Round His Feet meetings and engaged in research, conversation, and prayer about the state of our church and where God is calling us

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in ministry. They will present the findings in a Congregational Town Hall 10:30 a.m. on June 7 in Luther Hall. This presentation will be shared on Zoom so that members can participate without having to attend in person. A written report will accompany the presentation. The presentation slides, report, and working documents will all be available on request. Contact Josh Callahan or Pastor Meyer with questions about the Interim Task Force.

HEALTH/MEDICATION COUNSELING — Contact Parish Nurse, **Amie Rikke** - 402-740-1987; ajrikke@hotmail.com or **Victor Padron** - 402-707-8311, 402-453-1045; mairangi28@gmail.com to schedule a confidential appointment for health and medication counseling. It is available on the third Sunday of each month or by appointment.

Praying for Our Parish in 2020

Let us remember each other in prayer during the week that we celebrate the anniversary of one's Baptism.

June 1
Taylynn Kinney
Jody Wells-Padron

June 3
Josh Callahan

June 5
Malina Crnkovich
Rosalie Soodsma

June 6
Adam Behr