# SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

# PENTECOST

THE COMFORTER HAS COME

10:30 AM Service May 23, 2021 Pastor Carey Elam Associate Pastor Steve Richardson

# Meditation Prelude Welcome

**O Holy Spirit, Enter In** LSB #913 1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, And in our hearts 2 Give to Your Word im - pres - sive pow'r, That in our hearts 3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, Let Your dear Word, Your work be - gin, Your dwell - ing place now make us. from this good hour As fire it may be glow - ing, be strong - ly burn in doubt and strife, In us ing Sun of the soul, O Light di-vine, A - round and in That in true Chris - tian u - ni - ty We faith - ful wit -That we faith - ful un - to death And live in love be bright-ly shine, То iov and glad - ness wake us us ness - es may be, Your glo - ry ev - er show ing. and ho - ly faith, From You true wis - dom learn ing. That we may be Tru - ly liv - ing, To You giv - ing us By Your teach-ing; Let our preach - ing Hear us. cheer Your grace and peace On us show - er; By Your pow - er Prayer un - ceas - ing And in love be still in - creas - ing. And our la - bor Praise You, Lord, and serve our neigh - bor. Christ con - fess - ing, Let us see our Sav - ior's bless - ing. Tune and text: Public domain

Psalm 139:1-14

#### Invocation, Confession and Absolution

- P. In the name of the Father and of the \* Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

# Confession

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

#### Absolution

- P. Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the \$\Display\$ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

#### Service of the Word

#### 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. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,

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

# Kyrie

#### LSB 152

- P. In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C. Lord, have mercy.
- P. For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.

- P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

# Gloria in Excelsis

# LSB 154

- P. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.
- C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

# Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P. The Lord be with you.
- C. And also with you.

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.

# C. Amen.

**First Reading** 

# Ezekiel 37:1-14

1 The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley: it was full of bones. 2 And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. 3 And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, you know." 4 Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. 5 Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. 6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord." 7 So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. 8 And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had 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 the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." 10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army. 11 Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are indeed cut off.' 12 Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. 13 And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. 14 And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord."

- P. This is the Word of the Lord.
- C. Thanks be to God.

#### 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

1 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. 5 Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. 6 And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. 7 And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? 9 Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, 11 both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." 12 And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 13 But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine." 14 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. 15 For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: 17 "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; 18 even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; 20 the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. 21 And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

- P. This is the Word of the Lord.
- C. Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia & Verse

- C. Alleluia Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.
- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

#### **Holy Gospel**

#### John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. 27 And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning. "I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. 5 But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' 6 But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. 7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 concerning sin, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; 11 concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. 12 "I still have many things to say to you, but you

cannot bear them ow. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

- P. This is the Word of the Lord.
- C. Praise to You, O Christ.

#### **Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence 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

#### 1 To - day Your mer - cy calls To wash a - way our us sin. 2 To - day Your gate is And all who en - ter o - pen, in 3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits: 4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door. How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been. Shall find a Fa - ther's wel-come And par - don for their sin. His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n-ly gates. What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er? How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way, pres - ent The past shall be for - got - ten, A joy be giv'n, No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come: When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair, Your pre-cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day. А fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo-rious crown in heav'n. Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home. We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

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**Today Your Mercy Calls Us** 

# Pastor Carey P. Elam

"Drunk and Disorderly"

Acts 2:1-21

**Prayer of the Church** 

Offering
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Instrumental

#### Preface

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- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who ascended above the heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, poured out on this day the promised Holy Spirit on His chosen disciples. For all this the whole earth rejoices with exceeding joy. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### Prayer of Thanksgiving

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P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

# The Words of Our Lord

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My \* body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My \$blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

- P As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

# Lord's Prayer

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C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the Glory forever and ever. Amen.

# Pax Domini

- Pg. 163
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Passing of the Peace	(No personal contact please)
Agnus Dei	Pg. 163

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

- Distribution Post-Communion Blessing Thank the Lord
- C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

# Post-Communion Collect

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# A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

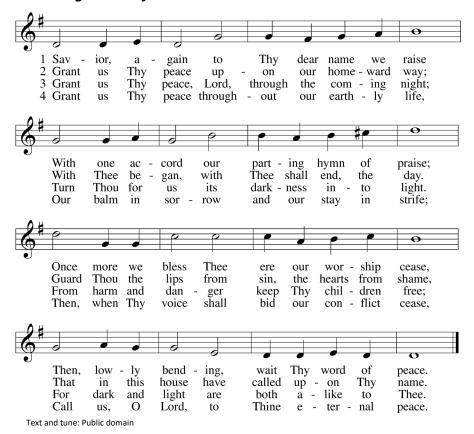
**Benediction** 

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- P The Lord bless you and keep you.
   The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
   The Lord look upon you with favor and \$\\$ give you peace.
- C Amen.

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **During the month of May, LWML** will be collecting new or nearly new BABY BOY CLOTHES, size 0 to 12 months, for First Choice Women's Medical Center. The Center "reaches abortion-vulnerable members of our community in the name of Christ to make LIFE their FIRST CHOICE.

Please place your baby boy clothes in the box in the Welcome Center. For more information contact Janet Nisbet.

#### Postlude

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