

# THE DAY OF PENTECOST

June 9, 2018

11:00 am



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## PRE-SERVICE

*Instrumental*



WELCOME

## ✠ PREPARATION ✠

OPENING SONG "I Walk By Faith"

Falson

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And every prayer I make is a prayer of faith. If my God is for me, who can be against me?**  
**REPEAT SONG**

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To live (to live) by faith I put my trust in You. REPEAT VERSE**

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## INVOCATION

**Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** Amen.



**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *John 3:8*

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**People:** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. By the power of Your Word, we confess our sin and need of Your grace. We confess that we have sinned against You in our thoughts, in our words, and in our actions, both in what we have done and in what we have failed to do. For the sake of the mighty work of our Lord Jesus, His death and resurrection for us and the whole world, grant to us Your forgiveness and new life.

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**HOLY GOSPEL** *John 14:23–31*  
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Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> 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. <sup>25</sup> “These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> 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. <sup>27</sup> 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. <sup>28</sup> 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. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. <sup>30</sup> I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, <sup>31</sup> 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.

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to You, O Christ.



**NICENE CREED**

LSB 191

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*(Please Be Seated)*



**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "Jesus Loves Me This I Know"**

LSB 588

**Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong.**

**Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

**SONG OF THE DAY "Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent from Heaven"**

LSB 502

**Holy Spirit, the dove sent from heaven, Ever one with the One who is Three,  
From the Father You came, Words of peace to proclaim, Come and comfort us, speak tenderly.  
You, the fragrance of life we are seeking; Fill Your temple, Your altar make clean.  
Joyous shelter of love, Gracious friend from above, In Your care we are resting, serene.**

**Holy Spirit, the fire celestial, Who on Pentecost came as foretold,  
To descend from on high And the church occupy As the cloud filled the temple of old;  
All the baptized You seal with Your promise, All believers Your gift there receive,  
So that all the elect All in Christ may expect To enjoy what by grace they believe.**

**Holy Spirit, the unction of blessing, Sacred oil of the green olive tree,  
Giving heat, giving light, As the tent lamps ignite And as Aaron praised God joyfully.  
Blessed living and life giving water, Now preserve us, from evil within,  
For in Jesus, God's Son, All believers are one In this washing that cleanses from sin.**

**Holy Spirit, the wind of great power, Source of strength and of peace and of love,  
Truest Comforter, plead, As You bring all our need To the throne of God's glory above.  
Be the light that enlightens the Scriptures; Keep our feet from each devilish snare;  
Only You can make whole All that troubles our soul; By Your chrism, Christ's triumph we share.**



## **SERMON**



## **COMMISSIONING OF 2019 VBS VOLUNTEERS**

*(Please Stand)*



## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**Pastor:** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs. Lord God, on this day we praise You for sending the light of Your salvation to the whole world by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit. Cause the light of Your saving Word to shine in our hearts and throughout the world that we with many may be brought to true repentance and strengthened in saving faith in Christ. Lord, on this Day of Pentecost,

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** Even among the nations and those placed in the authority of government, cause Your light and Your truth to guide in the way of truth, both to the punishing of the ugliness of evil and to the praise of the beauty of all that is good. Give them wisdom to lead all people in the way of righteousness and peace. Lord, on this Day of Pentecost,

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

**Pastor:** By Your Spirit, bring Your Word and assurance of deliverance, health, and healing to all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially* ..]. Deliver, O Lord, especially those who are most helpless and those to whom death draws near. Lord, on this Day of Pentecost,

**People:** **hear our prayer.**

*(Special Petitions)*

**Pastor:** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People:** **Amen.**

*(Please be Seated)*



## **GATHERING OF OFFERINGS**

*Your tithes and offerings shape the lives of people through the Gospel of Jesus Christ for now and eternity. Thank you for your generosity! "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7*

"Christ Be My Leader"

*AGPS 81*

**Christ be my leader by night as by day;  
Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.  
Gladly I follow, my future His care;  
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.**

**Christ be my teacher in age as in youth,  
Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.  
Grant me to trust Him, though shifting as sand,  
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.**

**Christ be my savior in calm as in strife;  
Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.  
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain  
Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.**

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**✠ SACRAMENT ✠**

*We believe Holy Communion is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christian to eat and to drink. If you are a communicant member of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation, please feel free to commune with us. If not, please speak with the pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper.*

**PREFACE**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you. *[2 Timothy 4:22]*  
**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor :** Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*  
**People:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*  
**People:** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

**LORD'S PRAYER** *(Matthew 6:9–13)*

**Pastor:** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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**

**Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**People:** **Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI** "Lamb of God"

Maichel

**Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world.  
Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world.  
And have mercy on us. Have mercy on us and grant us your peace. Grant us your peace.  
Have Mercy on us, O Lamb of God. Grant us your peace we pray.**

*(Please Be Seated)*

**There's a peace I've come to know Though my heart and flesh may fail  
There's an anchor for my soul I can say it is well**

**Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed  
The victory is won He is risen from the dead**

**CHORUS: (And) I will rise when He calls my name  
No more sorrow no more pain  
I will rise on eagle's wings  
Before my God fall on my knees and rise  
I will rise**

**There's a day that's drawing near When this darkness breaks to light  
And the shadows disappear And my faith shall be my eyes**

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**And I hear the voice of many angels sing Worthy is the Lamb  
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**I will rise.**  
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"Blessed Be Your Name"

Redman

**Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,  
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,  
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your Name.**

**CHORUS: Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:  
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name.**

**Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's "all as it should be." Blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,  
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name. CHORUS**

**You give and take away. You give and take away.  
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## **BENEDICTION**

**Pastor:** 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.  
*Numbers 6:24–26*

**People:** **Amen.**

**CLOSING SONG** “Even So Come”

Tomlin/Ingram/Cates

**All of creation all of the earth  
Make straight a highway a path for the Lord  
Jesus is coming soon**

**Call back the sinner wake up the saint  
Let ev'ry nation shout of Your fame  
Jesus is coming soon**

**CHORUS 1:** Like a bride waiting for her groom  
We'll be a Church ready for You  
Ev'ry heart longing for our King we sing  
Even so come Lord Jesus come  
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**There will be justice all will be new  
Your name forever faithful and true  
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**So we wait we wait for You  
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## **POSTLUDE**

*Instrumental Music*

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Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> 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. <sup>25</sup> “These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> 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. <sup>27</sup> 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. <sup>28</sup> 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. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. <sup>30</sup> I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, <sup>31</sup> 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.

**Pastor:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to You, O Christ.



**NICENE CREED**

LSB 191

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*(Please Be Seated)*



**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "Jesus Loves Me This I Know"**

LSB 588

**Jesus loves me! This I know, For the Bible tells me so.  
Little ones to Him belong; They are weak, but He is strong.**

**Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

**SONG OF THE DAY "Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent from Heaven"**

LSB 502

**Holy Spirit, the dove sent from heaven, Ever one with the One who is Three,  
From the Father You came, Words of peace to proclaim, Come and comfort us, speak tenderly.  
You, the fragrance of life we are seeking; Fill Your temple, Your altar make clean.  
Joyous shelter of love, Gracious friend from above, In Your care we are resting, serene.**

**Holy Spirit, the fire celestial, Who on Pentecost came as foretold,  
To descend from on high And the church occupy As the cloud filled the temple of old;  
All the baptized You seal with Your promise, All believers Your gift there receive,  
So that all the elect All in Christ may expect To enjoy what by grace they believe.**

**Holy Spirit, the unction of blessing, Sacred oil of the green olive tree,  
Giving heat, giving light, As the tent lamps ignite And as Aaron praised God joyfully.  
Blessed living and life giving water, Now preserve us, from evil within,  
For in Jesus, God's Son, All believers are one In this washing that cleanses from sin.**

Holy Spirit, the wind of great power, Source of strength and of peace and of love,  
Truest Comforter, plead, As You bring all our need To the throne of God's glory above.  
Be the light that enlightens the Scriptures; Keep our feet from each devilish snare;  
Only You can make whole All that troubles our soul; By Your chrism, Christ's triumph we share.



## SERMON



## COMMISSIONING OF 2019 VBS VOLUNTEERS

*(Please Stand)*



## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs. Lord God, on this day we praise You for sending the light of Your salvation to the whole world by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit. Cause the light of Your saving Word to shine in our hearts and throughout the world that we with many may be brought to true repentance and strengthened in saving faith in Christ. Lord, on this Day of Pentecost,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Even among the nations and those placed in the authority of government, cause Your light and Your truth to guide in the way of truth, both to the punishing of the ugliness of evil and to the praise of the beauty of all that is good. Give them wisdom to lead all people in the way of righteousness and peace. Lord, on this Day of Pentecost,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: By Your Spirit, bring Your Word and assurance of deliverance, health, and healing to all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, [*especially* ..]. Deliver, O Lord, especially those who are most helpless and those to whom death draws near. Lord, on this Day of Pentecost,

**People: hear our prayer.**

*(Special Petitions)*

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

*(Please be Seated)*



## GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

*Your tithes and offerings shape the lives of people through the Gospel of Jesus Christ for now and eternity. Thank you for your generosity! "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7*

"Christ Be My Leader"

AGPS 81

**Christ be my leader by night as by day;  
Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.  
Gladly I follow, my future His care;  
Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.**

**Christ be my teacher in age as in youth,  
Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.  
Grant me to trust Him, though shifting as sand,  
Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.**

**Christ be my savior in calm as in strife;  
Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.  
Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain  
Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.**

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**✠ SACRAMENT ✠**

*We believe Holy Communion is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christian to eat and to drink. If you are a communicant member of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation, please feel free to commune with us. If not, please speak with the pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper.*

**PREFACE**

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you. *[2 Timothy 4:22]*  
**People:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor :** Lift up your hearts. *[Colossians 3:1]*  
**People:** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**Pastor:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *[Psalm 136]*  
**People:** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

**LORD'S PRAYER** *(Matthew 6:9–13)*

**Pastor:** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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**

**Pastor:** The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**People:** **Amen.**

**AGNUS DEI** "Lamb of God"

Maichel

**Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world.  
Lamb of God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world.  
And have mercy on us. Have mercy on us and grant us your peace. Grant us your peace.  
Have Mercy on us, O Lamb of God. Grant us your peace we pray.**

*(Please Be Seated)*

**There's a peace I've come to know Though my heart and flesh may fail  
There's an anchor for my soul I can say it is well**

**Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed  
The victory is won He is risen from the dead**

**CHORUS: (And) I will rise when He calls my name  
No more sorrow no more pain  
I will rise on eagle's wings  
Before my God fall on my knees and rise  
I will rise**

**There's a day that's drawing near When this darkness breaks to light  
And the shadows disappear And my faith shall be my eyes**

**Jesus has overcome and the grave is overwhelmed  
The victory is won He is risen from the dead CHORUS**

**And I hear the voice of many angels sing Worthy is the Lamb  
And I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart Worthy is the Lamb  
And I hear the voice of many angels sing Worthy is the Lamb  
And I hear the cry of ev'ry longing heart  
Worthy is the Lamb Worthy is the Lamb CHORUS**

**I will rise.**  
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"Blessed Be Your Name"

Redman

**Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful,  
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place,  
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your Name.**

**CHORUS: Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise.  
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say:  
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name.**

**Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's "all as it should be." Blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering,  
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name. CHORUS**

**You give and take away. You give and take away.  
My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be Your name.  
You give and take away. You give and take away.  
My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be Your name.**

**Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your name.  
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Blessed be Your glorious name.  
Blessed be the name.**

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## BENEDICTION

**Pastor:** 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.  
*Numbers 6:24–26*

**People:** Amen.

**CLOSING SONG** “Even So Come”

Tomlin/Ingram/Cates

**All of creation all of the earth  
Make straight a highway a path for the Lord  
Jesus is coming soon**

**Call back the sinner wake up the saint  
Let ev'ry nation shout of Your fame  
Jesus is coming soon**

**CHORUS 1:** Like a bride waiting for her groom  
We'll be a Church ready for You  
Ev'ry heart longing for our King we sing  
Even so come Lord Jesus come  
Even so come Lord Jesus come

**There will be justice all will be new  
Your name forever faithful and true  
Jesus is coming soon. CHORUS 1**

**So we wait we wait for You  
God we wait You're coming soon  
So we wait we wait for You  
God we wait You're coming soon**

**CHORUS 2:** Like a bride waiting for her groom  
We'll be a Church ready for You  
Ev'ry heart longing for our King we sing . . .  
Like a bride waiting for her groom  
We'll be a Church ready for You  
Ev'ry heart longing for our King we sing  
Even so come Lord Jesus come  
Even so come Lord Jesus come  
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## POSTLUDE

*Instrumental Music*

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