

*When you send  
your SPIRIT  
THEY ARE CREATED.*



*YOU RENEW  
the face of the earth.*

PSALM 104:30

# **BROOKLYN LUTHERAN CHURCH | Brooklyn Park,** Minnesota

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*June 9, 2019*

We are thankful that you've chosen to worship with us.

We love children worshipping with us. But we understand that kids can get restless. We have a few options for your convenience: Quiet Bags in the back of church, filled with activity pages and books; a Quiet Area in the library area of our Commons with a rocking chair, children's books and toys; Changing Tables in both washrooms down the hallway to the right as you exit the chapel.

Most of the service is projected on the front wall. You can also find the service and hymns in the hymnal. Bibles are available on request. If you want, you may follow along with the today's readings from your mobile device.

***Please be sure to silence your mobile device so you don't disrupt the service or distract people's worship.***

## **SERVICE NOTES FOR THE DAY OF PENTECOST**

Jesus Pours Out His Holy Spirit. Once God made people speak many languages because of their disobedience. When the Spirit came on the great day of Pentecost in Jerusalem, God filled people with the ability to speak languages to spread the amazing good news of Jesus' resurrection.

## **PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP**

Ascended Lord Jesus, have mercy upon us, continue to dwell with us, grant us your peace, and fill us with the Spirit of truth, that at your command and by your power we may be your witnesses in all the world. Amen.

## **SERVING IN WORSHIP**

**Liturgist**

**Organist**

**Usher**

Pastor Erich Westphal

Sasha Schallert

David Glodowski

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# THE SERVICE

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Hymn

*Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling* | 182

*Stand*

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

## Confession of Sins

M: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

C: **If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: **Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart. I have not loved others as I should.**

*I have stifled the Spirit's fire in my heart and shied away from sharing the message of salvation.*

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his holy life and innocent death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection.*

## Absolution

M: Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He so loved us that he gave his one and only Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Savior. Jesus was lifted up on the cross where he died to pay the penalty for your guilt. By his resurrection, he has freed you from death. Everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. You are at peace with God. Live in the comfort and joy of his forgiveness.

C: **Amen.**

**Lord, Have Mercy**

*Kyrie, eleison*

M: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the peace of the entire 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.**

M: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## Come Down, O Love Divine<sup>1</sup>

*Solo*

*Fernando Ortega*

*Come down, O love divine, seek Thou this soul of mine,  
And visit it with Thine own ardor glowing.  
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,  
And kindle it, Thy holy flame bestowing.*

*O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn  
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
And let Thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,  
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming*

*Let holy charity mine outward vesture be,  
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;  
True lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part,  
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.  
And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,  
Shall far out-pass the power of human telling;  
For none can guess its grace, till he become the place  
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes His dwelling.*

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<sup>1</sup> This song is a prayer to the Holy Spirit to be present in our lives, to purge us of all pride and evil passion, and to purify our love and light our path so that we will be filled with greater love for God.

## The Word

M: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

## Prayer of The Day

M: Let us pray.

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*Be seated*

## First Reading

### **Genesis 11:1-9**

God's confusion of languages at Babel was a judgment on self-righteous pride to bring people to carry out his will and fill the earth.

The whole earth had one language and a single vocabulary. As people traveled in the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they settled there. <sup>3</sup>They said to one another, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used mud brick instead of stone for building material, and they used tar for mortar. <sup>4</sup>They said, "Come, let's build a city for ourselves and a tower whose top reaches to the sky, and let's make a name for ourselves, so that we will not be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth."

<sup>5</sup>The LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the people were building. <sup>6</sup>The LORD said, "If this is the first thing they are doing as one people, who all have one language, then nothing that they intend to do will be too difficult for them. <sup>7</sup>Come, let's go down there and confuse their language, so that they cannot understand one another's speech."

<sup>8</sup>So the LORD scattered them from there over the face of the whole earth, and they stopped building the city. <sup>9</sup>It was named Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of the whole earth. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

*After the Reading:*

M: The Word of the Lord.

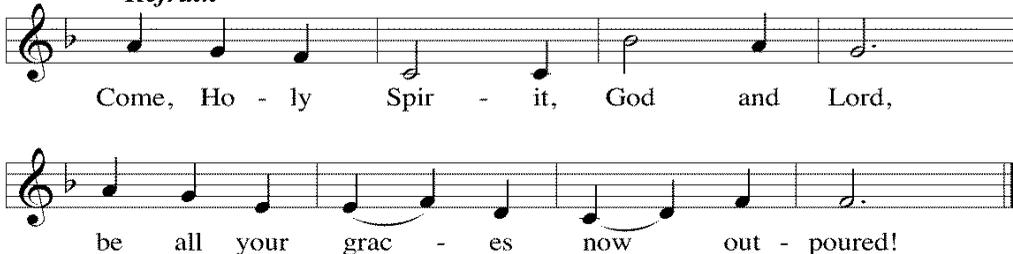
**C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm of The Day

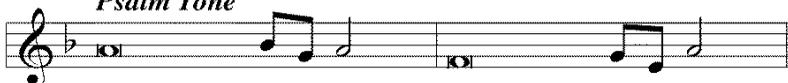
**Psalm 51b**

This psalm is a model confession: David doesn't ask God to change for him; he prays to God, "Change me." Then he pledges renewed service to God.

*Refrain*



*Psalm Tone*



O Lord, open my lips,  
and my mouth will declare your praise.

Save me from bloodguilt, O God, the God who saves me,  
and my tongue will sing of your righteousness.

You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;  
you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

*Refrain*

Create in me a pure heart, O God,  
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me from your presence  
or take your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation  
and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways,  
and sinners will turn back to you.

**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.**

*Refrain*

The out-pouring of the Holy Spirit brings about a reversal of Babel and a proclamation to the ends of the earth of the promise fulfilled.

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound like the rushing of a violent wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>They saw divided tongues that were like fire resting on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, since the Spirit was giving them the ability to speak fluently.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were godly Jewish men from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>When this sound was heard, a crowd came together and was confused, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. <sup>7</sup>They were completely baffled and said to each other, “Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>Then how is it that each of us hears them speaking in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, and of Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya around Cyrene; visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes; <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring in our own languages the wonderful works of God.”

<sup>12</sup>They were all amazed and perplexed. They kept saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others mocked them and said, “They are full of new wine.”

<sup>14</sup>Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and spoke loudly and clearly to them: “Men of Judea, and all you residents of Jerusalem, understand this, and listen closely to my words. <sup>15</sup>These men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day.

<sup>16</sup>On the contrary, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>This is what God says will happen in the last days:

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.

Your sons and your daughters will prophesy.

Your young men will see visions.

Your old men will dream dreams.

<sup>18</sup>Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

<sup>19</sup>I will show wonders in the sky above,

and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and a rising cloud of smoke.

<sup>20</sup>The sun will be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

<sup>21</sup>And this will happen: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

*After the Reading:*

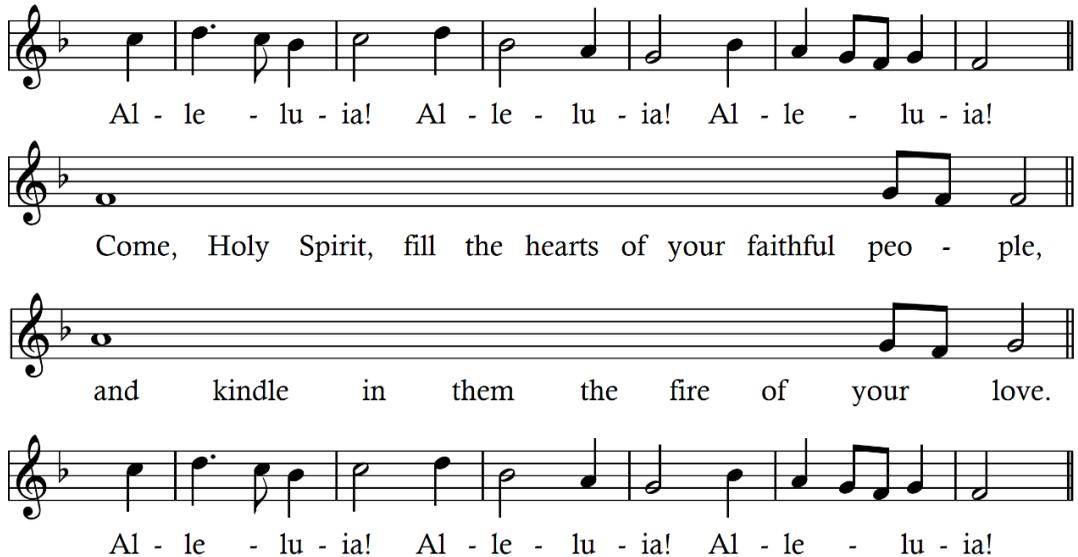
**M:** The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God**

*Stand*

Gospel Acclamation

From the Antiphon: *Come, Holy Spirit*



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

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful peo - ple,

and kindle in them the fire of your love.

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

Gospel

**John 15:26,27**

The promise of the coming Holy Spirit assures timid disciples of perfect recollection of the Truth.

<sup>26</sup>“When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father—he will testify about me. <sup>27</sup>And you also are going to testify, because you have been with me from the beginning.”

*After the reading of the Gospel:*

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated*

Hymn of The Day

*Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord | 176*

Sermon

“The Spirit Matters Most”

*Stand*

## Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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.**

*Be seated*

## Reception of New Member

### Prayer of The Church for the Day of Pentecost

*With the Explanation to the Third Article of the Apostle's Creed (Luther's Small Catechism)*

**M:** Praise to you, Holy Spirit. We worship and glorify you as the Lord and the giver of life. As you were present at the beginning of the world to shed life on all created things, as you gave a new life of understanding to the disciples in your Pentecost baptism of fire, so by the baptism of water with the Word, you have made the light of faith shine in our hearts to know Jesus as our Lord.

In thanksgiving for your gifts to us, we confess:

**C:** **I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing 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.**

**M:** Holy Spirit, all-seeing Counselor and fountain of all spiritual gifts, stand by us in the weakness of our sinful flesh. Grant us a right understanding of the truths that Jesus taught. Give us strength to endure with patience whatever afflictions God may send into our lives. Help us, intercede for us, train us that we may pray to the Father with boldness and confidence. Preserve us by the power of your Word in our most holy faith as members of the Church, the body of Jesus, where there is forgiveness for all.

**C:** **In this Christian Church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.**

M: Holy Spirit, highest comfort in every need, in these gray and last days of the world, strengthen our feeble hands, steady our weak knees, encourage our fearful hearts. Remind us of your Word and promises: “Be strong; do not fear. Your Lord will come again. He will come to save you.” And in your final, mighty, creative act, O Holy Spirit, raise up our bodies so that we, together with all the saints, may lift up our heads and with glorified eyes see our Savior drawing near.

C: **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. Amen.**

## Offering

*Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him. Please fill out both sides of the Connection Card and place it in the offering plate as it passes by.*

Hymn

*O Holy Spirit, Enter In* | 184

*Stand*

M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, that being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## Blessing

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

Hymn

*Good News of God Above* | 568

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **WE GIVE THANKS AND GLORY TO THE LORD**

for blessing Stefanie and Isaac Hill with the birth of their daughter, Eelyn Joann, born Sunday, June 2.

## **WE GIVE THANKS AND GLORY TO THE LORD**

for Brenda Glodowski who served as substitute teacher for the last week of preschool while Stefanie went on maternity leave. God is good!

## **YOUR PRAYERS AND SUPPORT MATTER**

The preschool parents filled out a survey to help improve our program. Here is one response: *My experience here has been incredible. My daughter attended Brooklyn Bridge and she loved it. She would talk about Jesus all the time to her friends, her brother and myself. She was ahead in her class when she started at Fair Oak. My son currently goes here and he loves it as well. His favorite Bible story is the story of baby Moses. He also tells his friends about the story of baby Moses. It's amazing to see the growth.*

## **DO YOU ENJOY MOWING? WE NEED YOU!**

One way that you can show your gratitude to God, the giver of every good gift, who has blessed us with this church campus on the cross-roads of many people's lives is to help with the upkeep of our lawn. Sign-up at the Information Center or on the back of the Connection Card.

**"NUTURING YOUR FAITH: PRAYER"** is a four-session series exploring the role of several types of prayer in the believer's life. Prayers of intercession, gratitude, confession, and praise are considered in various scriptural settings by highlighting a particular prayer's context, who offered it, and why. An opening video featuring Rev. Don Everts prefaces each session and gives context to what follows.

## **Calendar Week**

### *Today - Pentecost*

Bible Study	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
Fellowship	11:00 am
Elders Meeting	11:15 am

### *Monday*

Wise Penny Work Day	
Men's Softball @ Central North	8:20 pm

### *Tuesday*

Bible Class	3:15 pm
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### *Thursday*

Tater Daze Parade	5:45 pm
Meet at the Boyd's House	

### *Sunday – Holy Trinity*

Bible Study	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
Fellowship	11:00 am

## **Serving In The Lord**

### *Ushers*

Today:	Dave Glodowski
Next Sunday:	Larry Gens

### *Organist*

Today:	Sasha Schallert
Next Sunday:	Janice Budach

## **Blessings From The Lord**

### *Attendance*

Bible Study – 19
Sunday Service – 49

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