Sunday Worship Pentecost

Invocation

Today is Pentecost day. It's a day when we celebrate that God has promised to pour out his spirit on all people. God's Spirit is with us and so we pray out loud:

Come, Holy Spirit. Fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of your love.

In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Hymn LHB106 Since Christ is gone

Confession and Declaration of Grace

Let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins, and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

He made heaven and earth.

I said, I will confess my sins to the Lord.

Then he forgave the guilt of my sin.

Almighty God, our maker and redeemer, we confess to you that by nature we are sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy and plead for your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Most merciful God, you have given your only Son to die for us. Have mercy on us, and for his sake grant us forgiveness of all our sins. By your Holy Spirit increase our knowledge of you and your will, and make us obedient to your word, so that by your grace we may come to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Good News is that God has had mercy on us and has given us Jesus Christ to die for us, to forgive us for all our sins and make us his holy children. He has given us his Holy Spirit to work in us and through us each day. His Spirit gives us the confidence that everyone who trusts in Jesus Christ will be saved and have eternal life. ... So may the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon and forgiveness of all our sins.

Amen.

HYMN LHB109 Draw us to Thee

Prayer of the day

Let us pray,

O God, since you taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things and always rejoice in his holy comfort; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading

Acts 2:1-21 The coming of the Holy Spirit This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:24-34,35b

How many are your works, LORD!
In wisdom you made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
When you send your Spirit,
they are created,
and you renew the face of the ground.

You send out your Spirit, and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke. I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

You send out your Spirit, and you renew the face of the earth.

May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the LORD.

Praise the LORD, my soul.

Praise the LORD.

You send out your Spirit, and you renew the face of the earth.

Glory to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever more. Amen.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 The gifts of the Spirit This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading

John 20:19-23 Jesus gives his Spirit to the apostles This is the gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ.

Hymn LHB129 Breathe on me breath of God

Sermon

Apostle's 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, dead and 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 catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn LHB116 Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly dove

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray

Father, we thank you that, as you had promised, you gave your Holy Spirit to all your people at Pentecost. Continue to pour out your life-giving Spirit on us and all people throughout the world and equip people everywhere with gifts of love and service.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God, You brought light out of darkness and order out of chaos by your Spirit in the creation of the world. Let your Spirit move over our unruly world and heal its broken people. Continue to bless and protect all who use the gifts you have given them to care for the sick and protect our community. We pray especially for all Doctors and health care workers.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Jesus, You sent out your Spirit on the disciples like the rush of a mighty wind and distributed tongues of fire on their heads. Burn out all that is evil in us; bless all your people for holy service, and empower them to work with you for the salvation of the world. Give to all your people big hearts that want to serve in our homes and our community.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, you inspired the disciples with your Spirit to praise your marvellous deeds in many different languages. Give to all your people the confidence to speak of your love and grace, so that all people may joyfully confess you as their Lord.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus, your Spirit touched the hearts of those who heard the gospel from Peter. Sharpen the consciences of those who hear your word and convince them of its truth, so that they may turn from their sins and receive the gift of forgiveness.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You gave the Holy Spirit to all those who were baptised on the day of Pentecost. Let your Spirit renew the faith of all who have been baptised, so that they may devote themselves to Christian living, listening to your word and using their gifts in service to others. Renew our household each day that we may love and serve one another with your gifts to us. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

You united people from many different nations and cultures by your Holy Spirit. Bring together those who have been divided by misunderstanding, hatred, and mistrust, and join us with them and all the angels as we adore you forever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reign with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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.

Hymn LHB128 O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God

Blessing

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favour, and give us peace. **Amen.**