

The Festival of Pentecost

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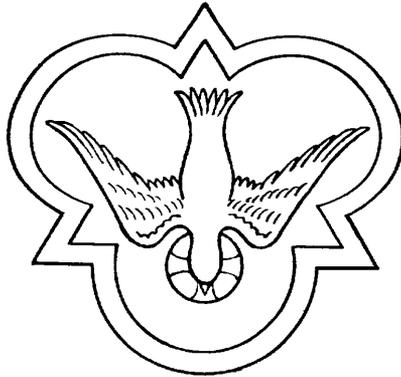
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WELCOME To all of you who are visiting our service this morning, we extend a most cordial welcome in Jesus' name. It is our hope that you will feel at home in our midst and will be blessed by our message of Christ crucified and risen for the sins of the world.

If you are looking for a church home or would like to know more about our beliefs and practices, please see the pastor. He will be glad to visit with you at your convenience.

Organ Prelude Mrs. Lana Strike

Hymn 234 *Holy Ghost, with Light Divine*

Old Testament Lesson Genesis 11:1-9 Now the whole earth had one language and one speech. And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they dwelt there. Then they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They had brick for stone, and they had asphalt for mortar. And they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth."

But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower which the sons of men had built. And the Lord said, "Indeed the people are one and they all have one language, and this is what they begin to do; now nothing that they propose to do will be withheld from them. Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another's speech." So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they ceased building the city. Therefore its name is called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

New Testament Lesson Acts 2:1-21 When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language. Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, "Look, are not all these who speak Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God." So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "Whatever could this mean?" Others mocking said, "They are full of new wine." But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his

voice and said to them, “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words. For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: ‘And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, that I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams. And on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; and they shall prophesy. I will show wonders in heaven above and signs in the earth beneath: blood and fire and vapor of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.’”

Hymn 236 *Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid*

Sermon Acts 2:1-21

The Spirit Turns Blasphemers into Believers...

The Offertory

The Offering

Hymn *O Day Full of Grace*

Prayer + The Lord’s Prayer

The Benediction

Hymn 15 *From All that Dwell below the Skies*

MN DELEGATE CONFERENCE Delegates Craig Ahrens, Phil Strike (Larry Boernsen alternate), Mr. Hansen, and the pastor plan to attend the day long conference in Eagle Lake on Saturday. The purpose is to brief the attendees on the business that will come before the CLC Convention, which runs from June 23-26. The Convention has been moved to a long weekend in the hope of getting better lay attendance and representation.

Due to the fact that Convention falls on a Communion Sunday, the Elders will reschedule it for the Sunday before or after. Please indicate your wishes to them.

VBS Vacation Bible School will be held the week of July 17. Please plan accordingly.

CLC NEWS Pastor Sam Naumann, Corpus Christi, TX has the call to Tacoma, WA.

SUBSCRIPTIONS Subscriptions for Daily Rest and The Lutheran Spokesman should be made no later than today. Please indicate whether you'd also like to receive Meditations. The sign up sheet is in the entryway.

REDLIN BOOK "My Father's Business" is the title of his last effort (book). It is a small book with 244 pages. It, very briefly, covers our Savior's life lived for us---from the manger-crib to His return to heaven to prepare a place for us. The price of the book \$12.50 for each copy.

Black Hills Family Bible Camp Camping in the beauty of the Black Hills, studies in the beauty of God's Word. There will also be many outdoor activities available such as hiking, climbing/repelling, swimming, kayaking, bonfires, s'mores etc... The camp runs from the evening of Friday July 15th through the morning of Tuesday July 19th. You can call Pastor Aaron Ude at (605) 393-1311 or email him at aaronude@gmail.com.

TVBS We are still in need of two volunteers as teachers for the VBS in Mapleton, ND July 25-29. There will also likely be an opportunity to help the Eden Prairie congregation later this summer. If you are interested in either trip please contact Ryan Hammett at Hammettr@gmail.com.

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