# **Pentecost**

May 31, 2020

Stand

Opening Hymn: "O Holy Spirit, Enter In"

LSB 913

**Opening Versicles** 

LSB 219

# **Psalmody**

Venite LSB 220

**Psalm** 

Ps. 68:1, 4a, c, 11a, 33b, 35a; antiphon: Liturgical Text; Ps. 68:3



The Spirit of the Lord fills the world. Alle- | luia.\*

The righteous | shall be glad.

They shall exult be- | fore God;\*

they shall be jubilant with joy! Alle- | luia.

God shall arise, his enemies shall be | scattered;\* and those who hate him shall flee be- | fore him!

Sing to God, sing praises | to his name;\*

exult be- | fore him!

The Lord | gives the word;\*

behold, he sends out his voice, his | mighty voice.

Awesome is God from his sanctu- ary;\*

the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his | people.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,\*

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world. Alle- | luia.\*

The righteous | shall be glad.

They shall exult be- | fore God;\*

they shall be jubilant with joy! Alle- | luia.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord"

LSB 497

# **Readings**

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 11:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. <sup>2</sup>And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. <sup>3</sup>And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. <sup>4</sup>Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth." <sup>5</sup>And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. <sup>6</sup>And the LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do. And nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. <sup>7</sup>Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech." <sup>8</sup>So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. <sup>9</sup>Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Acts 2:1–21

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. <sup>7</sup>And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, <sup>11</sup>both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." <sup>12</sup>And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

<sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. <sup>16</sup>But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

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.

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel John 14:23–31

<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.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup>And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Prayer LSB 422

On my heart imprint your image,
Blessed Jesus, king of grace,
That life's riches, cares, and pleasures
Never may your work erase;
Let the clear inscription be:
Jesus, crucified for me,
Is my life, my hope's foundation,
And my glory and salvation!

Sermon Rev. Chris Hull

Stand

## **Canticle**

Te Deum LSB 223

Prayer

Kyrie LSB 227

Lord's Prayer

Salutation

#### Collect of the Day

P 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.



**Collect for Grace** 

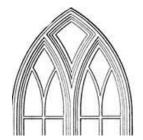
Benedicamus LSB 228
Benediction LSB 228

Closing Hymn: "O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth" LSB 834

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Today is the Feast of Pentecost, 50 days after our Lord's resurrection from the grave. Today we celebrate the giving of the Holy Spirit, that all may believe and trust in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ for their salvation. How did the Holy Spirit come to the first followers of Jesus? The Acts of the Apostles says, "They were all together in one place." This could mean that they were all just sitting around hanging out. However, it more than likely means that they were gathered together in the Word of God. The Holy Spirit came upon them and from there they began to speak in different tongues, and everyone heard the Gospel in their own language. This same thing happens today. The Holy Spirit comes to us in Word and

Sacrament and we hear the Gospel proclaimed to us in words that we comprehend. The Lord desires us to comprehend the language of the Gospel in order that there may be no hindrance in His work of comforting us in the forgiveness of our sins. The work of the Holy Spirit is not to cause confusion, but rather to solidify all in the forgiveness of their sins. The work of the Holy Spirit is not to scatter, but to gather all in holiness in the Blood of Jesus. The work of the Holy Spirit is to sanctify us, to make us holy by bringing us to Jesus in Holy Absolution. May the Holy Spirit continue to be granted to us here, that we may hear and receive the salvation prepared for us from the foundation of the world. Amen.

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#### News and Announcements

A new Corporate Confession and Absolution service will begin on June 6 at 4:30 PM and continue each Saturday. This service is from the Lutheran Service Book (page 290) and is an excellent way to prepare for the Divine Service on Sunday morning. This service will be spoken with an a cappella hymn and a brief sermon.

Wednesday services continue each week at 6:30 PM. These services will be based on the Small Catechism and will alternate monthly between the offices of Evening Prayer, Compline, or Vespers. This service will also be live-streamed on YouTube and Facebook Live.

All on-campus events and meetings remain suspended. In-person services (with restrictions) will continue as long as possible. Please be sure you're on the church email list or have notified the church office that you need a phone call about service changes. Email the church office at <a href="mailto:zion@ziontomballtx.org">zion@ziontomballtx.org</a> or leave a message at (281) 351-5757 to be added to the email or phone list. If you would like a private communion service at the church or in your home, please contact one of the pastors.

#### **How to Tithe**

As we all continue to adapt to this "new normal" way of life at home, it is important to remember that God graciously provides all that we have – physical things that support us in this life on earth and, most importantly, everlasting life in heaven. And of course, God does this for us not because of our own merit, but for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Throughout these hard times, Zion Lutheran will continue to provide works of mercy to our brothers and sisters in Christ. And of course, the church continues to have its normal monthly bills to pay. Please continue to give of your gifts as you are able, and most importantly to pray for our pastors, our leadership, and all Zion's flock.

Below are some ways that Zion can continue to receive your tithes even when we cannot gather together.

## **Automatic Weekly Tithes:**

1. **Simply Giving:** To sign up for Simply Giving, which allows you to have your weekly offering automatically transferred from your account, please contact Jamie Lewis at <a href="mailto:jameslewis1975@hotmail.com">jameslewis1975@hotmail.com</a>.

#### 3 Ways to Tithe From Home Every Week:

- 1. **Thrivent Simply Giving:** <u>Thrivent Simply Giving:</u> Go to: <a href="https://service.thrivent.com/apps/ThriventChoiceMemberWeb/public/organizationSearchHome">https://service.thrivent.com/apps/ThriventChoiceMemberWeb/public/organizationSearchHome</a>
  - Search "Zion Lutheran Tomball Texas' in the keyword search box
  - Zion Lutheran Church will be the first result that shows up.
  - Click the link "Zion Lutheran Church"
  - Click the link "Make a Personal Donation" a popup will warn you that you are leaving Thrivent and going to another website. This is OK.
  - Once on the <u>myvanco.vancopayments.com</u> website, enter the mandatory information (indicated by a \*).
  - You have the option of paying with a checking account, savings account, or a credit/debit card. There are no transactional fees. All fees are covered by Thrivent and Zion Lutheran receives 100% of your tithe.
  - PLEASE NOTE this tithe through Simply Giving must be repeated every time you want to contribute offering. Please contact Jamie Lewis to enroll in automatic weekly tithes.
- 2. **PayPal:** you can use your PayPal account to transfer funds via a checking or savings account.
  - o Zion Lutheran's PayPal account is zion@ziontomballtx.org.

### 3. Mail or drop off a check

- o Zion's mailing address is 907 Hicks St, Tomball, TX 77375
- o Or, drop your tithe through the mail slot on the office door

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Jamie Lewis: <u>jameslewis1975@hotmail.com</u> or (307) 760-6087.