

Pentecost Sunday
“Breaking Quarantine”

May 31, 2020

Jesus told His disciples to stay put until He sent them the Holy Spirit (Luke 24:49, Acts 1:4). We might say that He gave them a shelter-at-home quarantine order. But when the Holy Spirit came, the quarantine was over. Filled by the Spirit, the disciples burst out of the shelter of the upper room into the mission field the Lord had prepared for them. The same Jesus has sent the same Spirit to us to lead us beyond the limitations that keep us from embracing His mission. How is the Holy Spirit leading you into the mission field today?

Welcome

“Holy Spirit, Light Divine” (LSB 496)

Holy Spirit, light divine,
Shine upon this heart of mine;
Chase the shades of night away,
Turn the darkness into day.

Holy Spirit, joy divine,
Cheer this saddened heart of mine;
Yield a sacred, settled peace,
Let it grow and still increase.

Let me see my Savior's face,
Let me all His beauties trace;
Show those glorious truths to me
Which are only known to Thee.

Holy Spirit, all divine,
Dwell within this heart of mine;
Cast down ev'ry idol throne,
Reign supreme, and reign alone.

Holy Spirit, pow'r divine,
Cleanse this guilty heart of mine;
In Thy mercy pity me,
From sin's bondage set me free.

Invocation

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

People: **Amen.**

Confession and Forgiveness

“Your Name”

As morning dawns and evening fades
You inspire songs of praise
That rise from earth to touch Your heart
And glorify Your Name

Your Name let the nations sing it louder
'Cause nothing has the power to save
But Your Name

Chorus

Your Name is a strong and mighty tower
Your Name is a shelter like no other

Jesus in Your Name we pray
Come and fill our hearts today
Lord give us strength to live for You
And glorify Your Name **Chorus**

Readings

First Reading: Numbers 11:24-30

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people what the LORD had said. He brought together seventy of their elders and had them stand around the tent. ²⁵ Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke with him, and he took some of the power of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied—but did not do so again.

²⁶ However, two men, whose names were Eldad and Medad, had remained in the camp. They were listed among the elders, but did not go out to the tent. Yet the Spirit also rested on them, and they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ A young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.”

²⁸ Joshua son of Nun, who had been Moses’ aide since youth, spoke up and said, “Moses, my lord, stop them!”

²⁹ But Moses replied, “Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the LORD’s people were prophets and that the LORD would put His Spirit on them!” ³⁰ Then Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 25:1-15

In You, LORD my God,
I put my trust.

² I trust in You;
do not let me be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.

³ No one who hopes in You
will ever be put to shame,
but shame will come on those
who are treacherous without cause.

⁴ Show me Your ways, LORD,
teach me Your paths.

⁵ Guide me in Your truth and teach me,
for You are God my Savior,
and my hope is in You all day long.

⁶ Remember, LORD, Your great mercy and love,
for they are from of old.

⁷ Do not remember the sins of my youth
and my rebellious ways;

according to Your love remember me,
for You, LORD, are good.

⁸ Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore He instructs sinners in His ways.

⁹ He guides the humble in what is right
and teaches them His way.

¹⁰ All the ways of the LORD are loving and faithful
toward those who keep the demands of His covenant.

¹¹ For the sake of Your name, LORD,
forgive my iniquity, though it is great.

¹² Who, then, are those who fear the LORD?
He will instruct them in the ways they should choose.

¹³ They will spend their days in prosperity,
and their descendants will inherit the land.

¹⁴ The LORD confides in those who fear Him;
He makes His covenant known to them.

¹⁵ My eyes are ever on the LORD,
for only He will release my feet from the snare.

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.

Second Reading: Acts 2:1-21

^{2:1}When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I

say. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ "In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even on My servants, both men and women,
I will pour out My Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.

¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹ And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Holy Gospel: John 7:37-39

³⁷ On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to Me and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in Me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." ³⁹ By this He meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to You O Christ

Apostles 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, died, and was 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 Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Children's Message

"Fill Us Up"

Jesus I am thirsty
I am learning
How to hunger for more of You
You are the water
And You offer
Life that is making me new

Chorus

Spirit come
Fill up my lungs with air
My voice with prayer
And my mouth with praise
Fill up my heart with song
For the journey is long
And I need Your strength
Jesus Your love is more than enough
Come and fill me fill me up

Oh and Jesus I need mercy
I need cleansing from the burden of so

many sins
You are the water
And I offer all of my life into Your hands

Chorus

You are water to the desert
You are rain to the dust
You are healing to the broken
You are life won't You come

Fill up my lungs with air
My voice with prayer and my mouth with
praise
Fill up my heart with song
For the journey is long and I need Your
strength
Jesus Your love is more than enough
Come and fill me fill me
Oh fill me fill me
Won't You fill me fill me u

Sermon

Prayers

Please add your prayer requests to the live chat.

Thanksgivings

Pastor: O Lord, we praise You.

People: Thanks be to God.

Petitions

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

“Your Table I Approach” (LSB 628)

Your table I approach;

Dear Savior, hear my prayer.

Let not an unrepentant heart

Prove hurtful to me there.

Search not how this takes place,

This wondrous mystery;

God can accomplish vastly more

Than what we think could be.

Lord, I confess my sins

And mourn their wretched bands;

A contrite heart is sure to find

Forgiveness at Your hands.

O grant, most blessed Lord,

That earth and hell combined

May not about this sacrament

Raise doubt within my mind.

Your body and Your blood,

Once slain and shed for me,

Are taken at Your table, Lord,

In blest reality.

Oh, may I never fail

To thank You day and night

For Your true body and true blood,

O God, my peace and light.

The Service of Holy Communion

Preface

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Words of Institution

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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

People: **Amen.**

Communion

Pastor: Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

People: **Amen.**

(Take and eat)

Pastor: Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

People: **Amen.**

(Take and drink)

A Time for Prayer and Meditation

Communion Blessing

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. His peace be with you.

People: **Amen.**

Blessing

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.

Amen.

“Lead Us Out”

Lead us up
We want to know You better
Lead us up
Fill our hearts and make us more like You
Lead us up
Ever growing closer
Oh lead us up into You, Lord

Chorus

Lead us up, lead us in, lead us out into Your world
Lead us now and we'll follow You today
Lead us onward by Your grace, until we see Your face
Lead us out into Your world

Lead us in
We want to love like You do
Lead us in
Make of us one body in Your love
Lead us in
Loving one another
Oh lead us in Your Love, O Lord **Chorus**

Lead us out
We want to be a blessing
Lead us out into the world You gave Your life to save
Lead us out to tell them all about You
Oh lead us out into Your world **Chorus**

Offering

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Questions for Reflection and Discussion

1. How have you seen the mission of God going forward despite COVID-19 and the lockdown?
2. What can you do to remain sensitive to the Holy Spirit's leading? What can you do to put yourself in a position where the Holy Spirit can strengthen and empower you?
3. The Holy Spirit empowers and leads the people of God to live out God's mission. What do you think the Holy Spirit wants you to do this week for the sake of God's mission?
4. What are some ways that you can be a witness while remaining at home?

Memory Verse for this Week

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Acts 1:8

St. John's People and Families to Pray for This Week

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