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THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE

Setting One

Come, Holy Spirit! Today is the day of Pentecost, the fiftieth day after Easter, when we remember the coming of the Spirit in power on the disciples. The nave is adorned with red, the color of fire, as we recall the tongues of flame that rested on Jesus' disciples.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Hymn:

LSB 500 ▲

“Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid”

▲ Please rise for last stanza and sing Amen

The Invocation

LSB 151

Confession & Absolution

LSB 151

Introit

Ps. 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,*

and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luia.

O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you |
made them all,*

the earth is full of your | creatures.

These all | look to you,*

to give them their food in due | season.

When you give it to them, they gath- | er it up,*

when you open your hand, they are filled with | good things.

When you send forth your Spirit, they are cre- | ated,*

and you renew the face | of the ground.

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.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the | faithful,*

and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alle- | luia.

Kyrie

LSB 152

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154

Salutation and Collect of the Day

LSB 156

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. Amen.

First Reading

Ezekiel 37:1-14

¹The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley; it was full of bones. ²And he led me around among them, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley, and behold, they were very dry. ³And he said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD." ⁷So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I prophesied, there was a sound, and behold, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army. ¹¹Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.' ¹²Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will bring you into the land of Israel. ¹³And you

shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle (*The account of the Day of Pentecost*)

Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. ⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.” ¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷“And in the last days it shall be, God declares, 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; ¹⁸even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; ²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. ²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 156

Holy Gospel

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁶“But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. ²⁷And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.

⁴But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you. “I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer;

¹¹concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

¹²“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Day:	<i>LSB 496</i>
“Holy Spirit, Light Divine”	
Sermon	
Nicene Creed	<i>LSB 158</i>
Prayer of the Church	<i>LSB 159</i>
Offering and Offertory	<i>LSB 159</i>

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface	<i>LSB 160</i>
Sanctus	<i>LSB 161</i>
Lord’s Prayer	<i>LSB 162</i>
Words of Institution	<i>LSB 162</i>
Agnus Dei	<i>LSB 163</i>
Distribution	
Distribution Hymn:	<i>LSB 637</i>
“Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord”	
Distribution Hymn:	<i>LSB 497</i>
“Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord”	
Distribution Hymn:	<i>LSB 684</i>
“Come unto Me, Ye Weary”	
Nunc Dimittis	<i>LSB 165</i>
Post-Communion Collect	<i>LSB 166</i>
Benediction	<i>LSB 166</i>
Closing Hymn:	<i>LSB 922</i>
“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”	

Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book

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WELCOME TO St. Paul's Lutheran Church: We are glad that you are here as we gather around the Word and Sacraments of our Lord Jesus Christ. If you have not already done so, we ask that you would sign the guest book at the entrance to the church. If you do not have a church home and are interested in the teachings of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, or if you are interested in becoming a member here at St. Paul's, please contact the church office.

The Sacrament of the Altar: In bread and wine of the Lord's Supper, our Lord Jesus comes to us in His true Body & Blood. In this Holy Meal, one receives full forgiveness and perfect unity with each other. Scripture requires that each communicant first examine himself/herself regarding confession of sin, trust in Jesus for salvation, belief in the Real Presence, and the desire to grow in grace. We believe that Communion is a time when believers of like mind come close to the Lord and to one another. We do practice 'close' Communion, which means that all communicants believe as we do, and graciously receive this gift. If you are supportive of these beliefs, we welcome you to the Lord's Supper. If, however, at this point you are unsure of your relationship with Christ or question whether your beliefs differ from those of our church, we ask that you use the communion time to meditate and pray. For these reasons, it's best for our new (first time) guests/visitors to talk briefly before the service with the pastor or an elder. A cup with white grape juice is located in the center of the communion tray for those who are allergic to alcohol. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

Please note: The names listed below will remain on our public prayer list for two weeks unless the church office is notified otherwise. Thank you.

We pray for ...

- Marjorie Huls, Brad Long, Jan McAllister, Pat Nave, Pete Oestreich, Naomi Spielman,
- Continuing Prayers: Lodeen Clausen, Dawn Crosier, Leonard Esch, Marie Kitt, Keith Krecklow, Dan Leseberg (father of Jessica Leseberg), Norma Lohse, June Martin, Bonnie Oestreich, Marjorie Rogge, Deb Scheideler (daughter-in-law of Bob & Darlene Scheideler), Kenneth Smock (father of Brad Long), Amy Wrightsman (friend of Marilyn Keilig), Ann Kelley, and our many shut-ins.

Please call 402-228-1540 by Thursday if you have a petition to be included in the prayers.

In His Service

Preacher: Rev. Robert Wiest

Organist: Judy Vrbka

Acolytes: Josiah Wallman, Samuel Wallman, Trevin Lang

Elders: Duane Delozier, Craig Wallman

Greeters: Thelma Loemker, Floice Meyer

Ushers: Rod Aden, Eric Jobman, Robert Pfingsten, Gary Swanson

Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Dorothy Daubendiek in memory of Loren Daubendiek. Their Wedding Anniversary would have been May 16th.

Today's bulletin is sponsored by Friends of St. Paul's.

Our Weekly Birthdays & Anniversaries!

Birthdays:

20	Logan Glynn	23	Vernon Rogge
	Jessica Schmidt		Willard Workman
	Alex Weise	24	Jocelyn Junker
	Helen Wright		Alberta Rahe
21	Jason Lueders	25	Donald Henshaw
	Duston Meyer		Michael Holthus
22	Ashley DeBuhr		Leola Wollenburg
	Bernice Pfingsten	26	Katherine Moyer
	Samantha Rickers		Wayne Zimmerman

Anniversaries:

21	Lawrence & Norma Sohl, 57 yrs.
25	Jeffrey & Teresa Hatzenbuehler, 16 yrs.
26	Jason Duff & Ashley Mentgen-Duff, 6 yrs.

*Visit our website for the latest updates at
stpaulbeatrice.org*

BUSY BAGS for your child to use and return are available in the Narthex (entryway) of the church. If you need assistance, please ask an usher or greeter.

DORCAS BOUTIQUE: Just a reminder: The Card Boutique has a large variety of lovely greeting cards. It is in the fellowship hall. Stop by on Sunday's between services or during the week days the church office will assist you. Single cards can be purchased for \$0.60 and a box of cards sells for \$6.00.

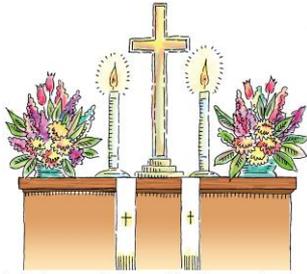
ST. PAUL'S CHILD CARE DIRECTOR: St. Paul's Board for Parish Education is seeking candidates to fill the position of Child Care Director at St. Paul's Lutheran School. This would be a full time, salaried position on the ministry team at St. Paul's. If you or someone you know would be interested in applying, please have them send their resume to Mrs. Duever at St. Paul's Lutheran School. They can also contact Mrs. Duever by phone: 402-223-3414 or email: aduever@stpaulbeatrice.org with any questions.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE! – All articles and information to be included in the June issue of the church newsletter are asked to be turned into the church office by Monday, May 21st.

OUTREACH PROGRAMS: Have ideas for a church outreach program? There is a tan colored box on the table in the narthex with a short form, so you can give the Evangelism Board some details and information on your great idea. Thank you for your input!

COFFEE CREW: Share your smile and great cooking by being part of the Coffee Crew! Evangelism is looking for people to serve coffee hour between services. Evangelism will provide the coffee and supplies; you provide the treats and a smile. If you have questions, please see a member of the board. There is a sign-up sheet next to the window in the basement. Thank you for your help!

LYDIA/MARY CIRCLE will not meet June, July, August.



Worship Schedule

Sunday, May 27th
8:00am & 10:30am services
will be held at the church.

Monday, May 28th
No Monday Night Service

Gifts of Time and Treasure

Attendance & Contributions Last Week		
8:00 AM Service	62	\$1,876.00
10:30 AM Service	97	\$3,365.00
Monday Night Service	20	\$590.00

COINS FOR CHRIST: All loose coins in Sunday offerings during the 2nd quarter are designated to Camp Luther. Total amount collected so far \$32.97.

The Lord's Week

Today 8:00 Divine Service
 9:15 Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Class
 10:30 Divine Service
Monday 7:00 Weekday Service of Holy Communion
Tuesday 12:00 Ladies Quilting/Tying
 3:30 Child Care Committee
Thursday 12:00 Ladies Quilting
Sunday 8:00 Divine Service
 9:15 Sunday School/Youth/Adult Bible Class
 10:30 Divine Service (Service will be at the church)
Monday the 28th NO EVENING SERVICE

Church office hours are

9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-4:00pm, Monday thru Friday
The church office will be closed Wednesday, May 9th thru
Tuesday, May 15th. The office may be closed on occasion, so
please call ahead.

Pastor Wiest will be in the church office on Wednesday's from
10:00am-12:00pm and 1:30-2:30pm. Anyone needing / wishing to
visit personally with pastor, please contact the church office.
Pastor Wiest can also be reached at revmeisterorlcs@gmail.com.

