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The Day Of Pentecost ~ May 28, 2023

Color of the Day: Red - is associated with blood and fire, the latter reminiscent of the Spirit's presence at Pentecost, red is used for Pentecost and for the days dedicated to martyrs. It is also used for festivals of renewal in the Holy Spirit - such as Reformation and missions - and often for ordination rites as well as ordination and installation anniversaries.

Opening Hymn #906 - O Day of Rest and Gladness

Confession and Absolution Page 203

⌘ ⌘ ⌘ Service of the Word ⌘ ⌘ ⌘

Introit Page 204

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 & Gloria in Excelsis. Page 204

Salutation & Collect of the Day. Page 205

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.

Old Testament Reading Page 205

Numbers 11:24-30

²⁴So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD. And he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tent. ²⁵Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. And as soon as the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied. But they did not continue doing it.

²⁶Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸And Joshua the son of Nun, the assistant of Moses from his youth, said, "My lord Moses, stop them." ²⁹But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!" ³⁰And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Gradual Page 205

Acts 2:17b; Rom. 10:10

I will pour out my Spirit | on all flesh,*
and your sons and your daughters shall | prophesy.
With the heart one believes and is | justified,*
and with the mouth one confesses | and is saved.

Second Reading Page 205

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.”

Choral Anthem

Alleluia & Verse Page 205

Holy Gospel Page 206

John 7:37-39

³⁷On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. ³⁸Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” ³⁹Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.



Creed Page 206/207

Children’s Message

Hymn of the Day #497 - *Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord*

The Sermon The Gift of the Holy Spirit ~ Acts 2:1-21

Want to read along, miss a sermon, need some inspiration, need a review of church doctrine? Check out Pastor Bogs’ blog at: rabswritings.blogspot.com or Pastor Mendez’s blog at: pastormendez.blogspot.com.

Introduction

Not long after the flood _____.

Today we celebrate _____.

The Day of Pentecost

This was the _____.

Jews came _____.

The Giving of the Holy Spirit

The visible phenomena _____.

The invisible phenomena _____.

Why is this important?

The ability to _____.

The reversal of _____.

A complete understanding of _____.

They are also given _____.

What does this mean?

The Holy Spirit comes through _____.

The Holy Spirit gives _____.

The Holy Spirit gives to the church _____.

The Holy Spirit continues to give _____.

Other notes or Questions for Pastor:

Prayer of the Church Page 207

Our First Fruits and Tithes are our regular, top priority, proportionate, grateful gifts to the Lord for the work of the Gospel. Our Offerings are special gifts for special causes over and above our tithes. This is an act of worship for members and friends of St. Matthew who are moved by God’s love to respond to the Gospel. Guests should not feel obligated to participate.

Offering & Offertory Hymn #955 - *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

✠ ✠ ✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠ ✠ ✠

Preface & Sanctus Page 208

Prayer of Thanksgiving, Lord’s Prayer, Words of Our Lord & Pax Domini Page 209

Angus Dei & Distribution Page 210
Before partaking of the Lord’s Supper, we ask that you read our communion statement on the pew insert behind the Bible. Thank you.

Distribution Hymns #503 - *O Day Full of Grace*
#500 - *Creator Spirit, by Whode Aid*
#650 - *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling*

Nunc Dimittis Page 211

Post-Communion Collect, Benedicamus & Benediction Page 212

Closing Hymn #966 - *Before You, Lord, We Bow*