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The Day of Pentecost

May 31st, 2020

Color of the Day: Red—is a power color and is appropriate for use on Pentecost Sunday. On this day we remember the power and fire of "the Lord and Giver of Life," who revealed himself as the promised one. The color red communicates the motif of strength—strength and power the Holy Spirit gives in order for God's people to call on the name of Jesus Christ and share that powerful name with others.



OPENING HYMN

#500 - Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid



1 Cre - a - tor Spir - it, by whose aid The world's foun - da - tions
2 O Source of un - cre - at - ed light, The bear - er of God's
3 Giv - er of grace, de - scend from high; Your sev'n - fold gifts to
△ 4 Im - mor - tal hon - or, end - less fame At - tend the al - might - y



first were laid, Come, vis - it ev - 'ry hum - ble mind; Come,
gra - cious might, Thrice - ho - ly fount, thrice - ho - ly fire, Our
us sup - ply; Help us e - ter - nal truths re - ceive And
Fa - ther's name; The Sav - ior - Son be glo - ri - fied, Who



pour Your joys on hu - man-kind; From sin and sor - row
hearts with heav'n - ly love in - spire; Your sa - cred, heal - ing
prac - tice all that we be - lieve; Give us Your - self that
for all hu - man - kind has died; To You, O Par - a -



set us free; May we Your liv - ing tem - ples be.
mes - sage bring To sanc - ti - fy us as we sing.
we may see The glo - ry of the Trin - i - ty.
plete, we raise Un - end - ing songs of thanks and praise.

+ CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION +

(Stand)

(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.)

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

(Kneel/Stand)

☞ Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

(Stand)

+ MATINS SERVICE +

COMMON ANTIPHON

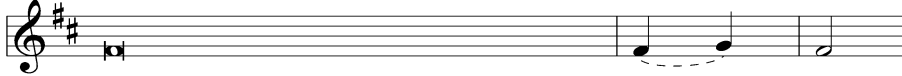


[L] Blessed be God, the Fa - ther, the Son, and the Ho - ly Spir - it.



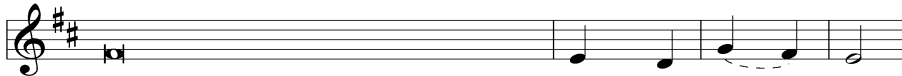
C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

VENITE ~ O Come, Let Us Sing



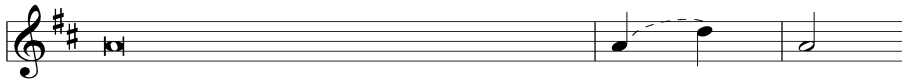
C 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
2 For the Lord is a great God,
3 The sea is His, for He made it,

5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

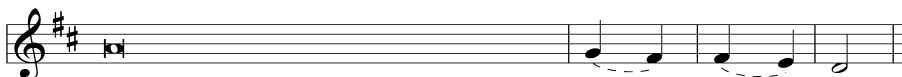


1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
3 and His hand formed the dry___ land.

5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



1	Let us come into His presence with thanks	-	giv	-	ing,
2	The deep places of the earth are	in	His	hand;	
3	O come, let us worship and	bow	—	down,	
4	For He	is	our	God,	
5	as it was in the be	-	gin	-	ning,



1 let us make a joyful noise to	Him with songs of praise.
2 the strength of the hills is	His_____ al - so.
3 let us kneel before the	Lord, our mak - er.
4 and we are the people of His pasture and the	sheep_____ of His hand.
5 is now, and will be for - -	ev - er. A - men.

COMMON ANTIPHON



L Blessed be God, the Fa-ther, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir-it.



C O come, let us wor - ship Him.

(Sit)

+ READINGS +

FIRST READING

Numbers 11:24–30

²⁴Moses 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.

EPISTLE READING

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.”


HOLY GOSPEL

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.


RESPONSORY ~ Common

Verse *To Refrain*



1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Refrain



Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

#497 - Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord



1 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord, With all Your graces
2 Come, Holy Light, guide divine, Now cause the Word of
3 Come, Holy Fire, comfort true, Grant us the will Your

now out-poured On each be-liev-er's mind and heart;
 life to shine. Teach us to know our God a-right
 work to do And in Your ser-vice to a-bide;
 Your fer-vent love to them im-part. Lord, by the
 And call Him Fa-ther with de-light. From ev-'ry
 Let tri-als turn us not a-side. Lord, by Your
 bright-ness of Your light In ho-ly faith Your Church u-nite;
 er-ror keep us free; Let none but Christ our mas-ter be
 pow'r pre-pare each heart, And to our weak-ness strength im-part
 From ev-'ry land and ev-'ry tongue This to Your
 That we in liv-ing faith a-bide, In Him, our
 That brave-ly here we may con-tend, Through life and
 praise, O Lord, our God, be sung: Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
 Lord, with all our might con-fide. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!
 death to You, our Lord, as-cend. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

SERMON

The Promise to Send the Holy Spirit
John 7:37-39

Introduction
 Ten days ago we celebrated _____.

The Other Lessons
 The Old Testament lesson _____.
 The Second Reading _____.

The Words of the Text
 John tells us that this _____.
 It was at this point _____.
 The words of Scripture Jesus quotes _____.
 Jesus pointed to the Holy Spirit _____.

What Does This Mean?
 First it might serve _____.
 Not only has the Holy Spirit been around _____.
 Many times Jesus proclaimed _____.
 As Jesus promised, _____.
 As to the question of the outward _____.
 The work of the Holy Spirit _____.
 Certainly we have all heard _____.
 God loves us so much _____.
 Today we celebrate _____.
 Today we celebrate _____.

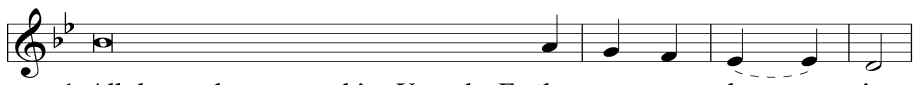
Other Notes or Questions for Pastor:

Miss a sermon, need some inspiration, need a review of church doctrine (teachings), check out Pastor's blog at: <http://rabswritings.blogspot.com/> or Pastor Mendez's new blog at: <https://pastormendez.blogspot.com/>
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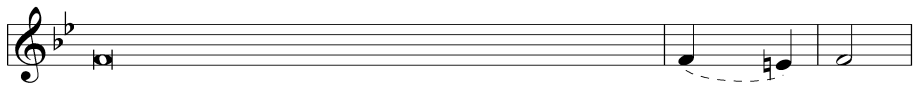
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TE DEUM ~ We Praise You, O God

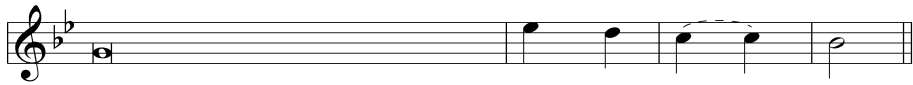
1 We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
 2 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sab-a-oth;
 3 The noble army of martyrs praise You.



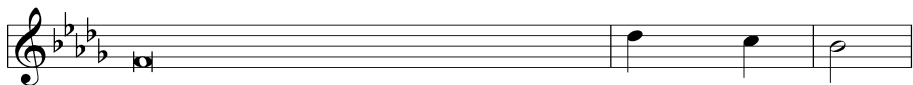
1 All the earth now worships You, the Fa-ther ev - er - last - ing.
 2 heaven and earth are full of the majes - ty of Your glo - ry.
 3 The holy Church throughout all the world does ac - knowl-edge You:



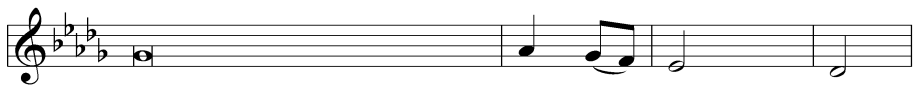
1 To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs there-in.
 2 The glorious company of the apostles praise You.
 3 The Father of an infinite majesty; Your adorable, true, and on - ly Son;
 4 You are the king of glory, O Christ;



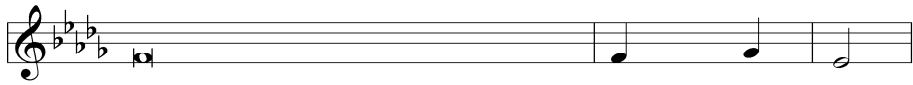
1 To You cherubim and seraphim con - tin - ual - ly do cry:
 2 The goodly fellowship of the proph-ets praise You.
 3 also the Holy Ghost, the Com-fort - er.
 4 You are the everlasting Son of the Fa - ther.




5 When You took upon Yourself to de - liv - er man,
 6 You sit at the right hand of God




5 You humbled Yourself to be born of a vir - gin.
 6 in the glory of the Fa - ther.




5 When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
 6 We believe that You will come



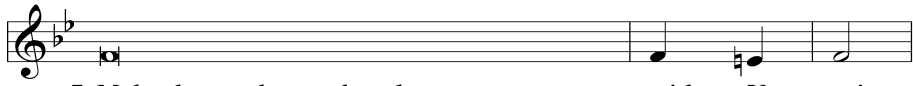
5 You opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.
 6 to be our judge.



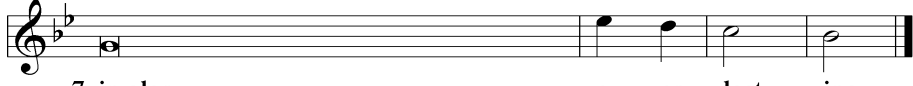
7 We therefore pray You to help Your ser - vants,
 8 O Lord, save Your people and bless Your . . . her - i - tage.
 9 Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day with - out sin.



7 whom You have redeem - ed with Your pre - cious blood.
 8 Govern them and lift them up for - ev - er.
 9 O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up - on us.



7 Make them to be numbered with Your saints
 8 Day by day we magni - fy You.
 9 O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.



7 in glory ev - er - last - ing.
 8 And we worship Your name for - ever and ev - er.
 9 O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be con - found - ed.

(Sit)
FIRST FRUITS, TITHES, & OFFERING PRAYERS