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The Feast of Pentecost
with the Rite of Confirmation

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Divine Service I

Messiah Lutheran Church

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VISITORS WELCOME! A special welcome to any visitors and guests who are with us today. Please sign the guestbook near the front door and introduce yourself to the pastor after the service. We pray that the hearing and receiving of the Word of God in our midst will be filled with joy and thanksgiving!

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated every Sunday and on Feast Days. Visiting communicant members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are invited to commune today. All other visitors are asked to speak with the pastor before coming to the altar. If there is time before the service, introduce yourself to the pastor or an elder. Other visitors are invited to use this time for prayer. If you desire information about attending communion, you are encouraged to visit with the pastor after the service today.

PRAYERS OF PREPARATION are found in the cover of the hymnals. Take some time before the service begins in quiet preparation and prayer. **Please turn off and put away all electronic devices during the service.**

+SERVING TODAY+

Elder: Mark Bernhardt

Ushers: Artyom Varvil & Mark Bernhardt

Greeters: Vernon & Lynda Koch

Organist: Monica Scholz

Altar Guild: Kris Kochman & Jenny French

Fellowship: Cake provided by the Altar Guild

Confession and Absolution

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+SERVICE OF THE WORD+

Introit

Ps. 68:1, 4a, c, 11a, 33b, 35a; antiphon: Wisdom1:7; Ps. 68:3



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.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 11:1–9

¹Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as people migrated from the east, they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then 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.” ⁵And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. ⁶And 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. ⁷Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.” ⁸So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore 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.

Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

LSB 811

Second 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.”

Stand and face Gospel procession

Alleluia and Verse

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Holy Gospel

John 14:23–31

²³Jesus 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. ²⁴Whoever 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.

²⁵“These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But 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. ²⁷Peace 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. ²⁸You 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. ²⁹And now I have told you before it

takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. ³⁰I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on Me, ³¹but 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.”

Nicene Creed

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Alleluia and Verse

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Sit

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

LSB 497

Sermon

Confirmands come to the altar.

+RITE OF CONFIRMATION+

for Logan Nevius and Giulian Sommer

P Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” You have been baptized and catechized in the Christian faith according to our Lord’s bidding. Jesus said, “Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.” Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.

P Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God gave you in your Baptism?

R *Yes, I do.*

P Do you renounce the devil?

R *Yes, I renounce him.*

P Do you renounce all his works?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you renounce all his ways?

R *Yes, I renounce them.*

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

R *Yes, I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.*

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord?

R *Yes, I believe 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.

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

R *Yes, 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.*

P Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God?

R *I do.*

P Do you confess the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from the Scriptures, as you have learned to know it from the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

R *I do.*

P Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather than fall away from it?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P We rejoice with thankful hearts that you have been baptized and have received the teaching of the Lord. You have confessed the faith and been absolved of your sins. As you continue to hear the Lord's Word and receive His blessed Sacrament, He who has begun a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

The catechumens kneel to receive the confirmation blessing. The pastor places his hands on the head of each candidate and makes the sign of the cross on the forehead while saying:

P [Name], the almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and of the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life ✠ everlasting.

C **Amen.**

Stand

P Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe

and with the mouth to confess His saving name. Grant that, bringing forth the fruits of faith, they may continue steadfast and victorious to the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Almighty and most merciful Father, in the waters of Holy Baptism You have united Your children in the suffering and death of Your Son Jesus Christ, cleansing them by His blood. Renew in them the gift of Your Holy Spirit, that they may live in daily contrition and repentance with a faith that ever clings to their Savior. Deliver them from the power of Satan and preserve them from false and dangerous doctrines, that they may remain faithful in hearing Christ's Word and receiving His body and blood. By the Lord's Supper strengthen them to believe that no one can make satisfaction for sin but Christ alone. Enable them to find joy and comfort only in Him, learning from this Sacrament to love You and their neighbor and to bear their cross with patience and joy until the day of the resurrection of their bodies to life immortal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P Peace ✠ be with you.

C Amen.

Prayer of the Church

Offertory

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Holy Spirit, Light Divine

Choir

+SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT+

Stand

Preface

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Distribution

O Holy Spirit, Enter In *LSB 913*

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling *LSB 650*

Rise, Shine, You People *LSB 825*

Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid *LSB 500*

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Benediction

O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth *LSB 834*

+OUR CONFIRMANDS+

Logan Ryan Nevius

Born February 19, 2011

Baptized September 29, 2019

Confirmation Verse:

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.

~John 14:23

Giulian Gabriel Sommer

Born August 12, 2010

Baptized October 17, 2010

Confirmation Verse:

Only fear the Lord and serve Him faithfully with all your heart. For consider what great things He has done for you. ~1 Samuel 12:24

Luke Bertz and Eva Roemke will be confirmed next Sunday.

+VDMA+

Verbum Domini Manet in Aeternum
The Word of the Lord endures forever

+PRAYER LIST+

- ✘ Those who serve in our armed forces: Rick Zuehls, Rianon Padro, Exavier Padro, and veterans.
- ✘ For all those suffering from illnesses or other trials, including: Rylie Snodgrass, Ken Gundlach (uncle of Sarah Billings), John Funk (friend of Steve and Sarah Billings), Judy Dissen, Michelle Knull, Pamela Hammond (daughter of Kathy Knutell), Amy Vallis, and Gail Kulbacki.

+ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 19th+

- ✘ **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDIES:** At 9:30 am we will study next week's hymn of the day: Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest (498). At 6:30 pm we will continue our study of the Book of Concord and close with Compline.
- ✘ **MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE:** Thank you to all who purchased roses on Mother's Day and to Sandy Martin for arranging the sale. We raised \$354 for the Kenosha chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life.
- ✘ **FIRE NIGHT:** We are planning our first Fire Night of the year for Friday, May 31st at 6:00 pm, weather permitting. Bring some food to share, a drink for yourself, and a chair if you have one. Donations of firewood are appreciated.
- ✘ **KINGFISH GAME:** Our outing to see the Kenosha Kingfish this summer will be Friday, June 14th at 6:35 pm. Tickets are \$21 each and include all-you-can-eat food and soda one hour before the game. There is also a giveaway that night for a car window decal. Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway and submit your payment to Lesa by Sunday, June 2nd. Checks should be made out to the Kenosha Kingfish.

+CONTRIBUTIONS+

Lord's Work contributions budget YTD as of 5/17:	\$102,486
Lord's Work contributions received YTD as of 5/17:	\$85,320
Difference:	-17,166
Restricted contributions YTD as of 5/17:	\$5,811
Mortgage Balance as of 4/17:	\$20,100

ATTENDANCE 5/12: 112

BIRTHDAYS

5/24 George Poullette
5/25 Bryce Braya-Weyrauch
Anita Brothers
Roger Jeschke
Sara Ricchio

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

5/21 Todd Giese

