

St. John's Lutheran Church June 8, 2025

## Welcome to St. John's

Thanks for being here today! We feel blessed that you're here and truly pray you find the warmth of our Christian family, the powerful truth of God's Word and the peaceful assurance of His promises. If we can assist you in any way, please ask. To start, everything for our worship is projected on the screens up front and printed here in the service folder. God bless your time with us today. We hope you can worship with us again!

#### If You're New to St. John's:

You and your kids are welcome. We really love and enjoy having kids in worship and encourage the worshiping family! In fact, our worship often includes a children's message with little ones in mind. And if your children are acting up, please know it's never a bother to our worship service. However, If you do need a quiet place to calm a child, a nursery room is available with screens immediately to the left as you exit the sanctuary. There are also changing stations in each bathroom.

**Restrooms** are located in the entrance as you came into the building

**Make yourself at home.** You don't have to rush off after service today. Light refreshments are usually provided in our social hall after worship. If you feel comfortable, please stay and follow up with one of our pastors; we'd be honored if you took a moment to introduce yourself!

**Don't feel obligated.** Our members give financial offerings to the Lord as an expression of thanks and praise for his amazing love. Please know that you are our guests and we're simply happy you've come to hear about Jesus and His Word today. You're not expected to give an offering; it's your choice.

**Cell Phones.** To remove as many distractions as possible from worshiping God today, we kindly ask you to silence your phone before the service.

**Fill out a Connection Card.** We'd love to know you were here and help you take the next step. There are Connection Cards inserted in the worship folders, or they can be completed online. Text "Connect" to 651-401-1400, scan the QR code, or visit <a href="www.StJohnsLutheran.com/connection-card">www.StJohnsLutheran.com/connection-card</a> to complete the card online.



### Welcome to St. John's!

## We Worship with God's Blessing

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

### **Our Pentecost Worship**

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

Gen 1:1-2

The Spirit of God has made me; the breath of the Almighty gives me life. Job 33:4

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?

If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

Ps 139:7-8

The Lord said, "My Spirit will not contend with humans forever." Gen 6:3

Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger or discipline me in your wrath. Ps 6:1

Have mercy on me, Lord, for I am faint; heal me, Lord for my bones are in agony.

Turn, Lord, and deliver me; saves me because of your unfailing love. Ps 6:2,4

Jesus said to his disciples, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." John 20:22-23

No one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. *John* 3:5-6

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.

Ps 61:1

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life set you free from the law of sin and death.

\*\*Rom 8:1-2\*\*

Now the Lord is Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom 2 Cor 3:17

Come, Holy Spirit! Fill the hearts of your faithful people, and kindle in us the fire of your love!. Alleluia!

### Our Praise: Speak, O Lord

CW 633



## **Prayer of the Day**

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gift of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

# Children's Message

### God's Word for us

Genesis 11:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. <sup>2</sup>As people moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.

<sup>3</sup>They said to each other, "Come, let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar. <sup>4</sup>Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves; otherwise we will be scattered over the face of the whole earth."

<sup>5</sup>But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. <sup>6</sup>The LORD said, "If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. <sup>7</sup>Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other."

<sup>8</sup>So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. <sup>9</sup>That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### O Holy Spirit, Enter In

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### God's Word for us

Acts 2:1-21

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

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

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

<sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>" '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.

<sup>18</sup>Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

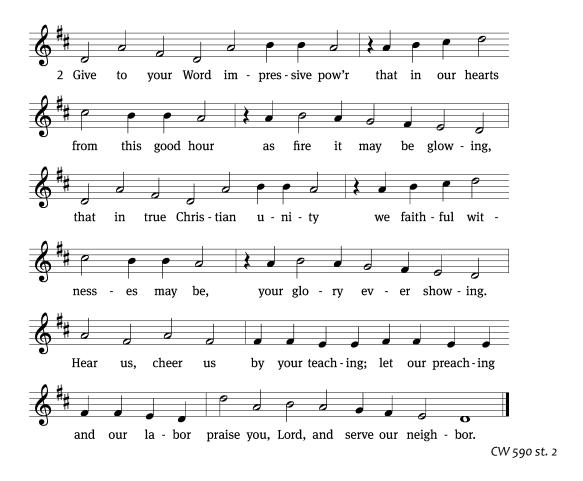
<sup>19</sup>I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke.

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

<sup>21</sup>And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



# The Gospel Reading

John 14:23-27

<sup>23</sup>Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. <sup>24</sup>Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

<sup>25</sup>"All this I have spoken while still with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. <sup>27</sup>Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

### Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

CW 585



# Today's Message from our Loving God – Genesis 11:1-9

The reading can be found on pg. 5

Message Notes: Things for me to remember this week

## O Holy Spirit, Enter In

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O mighty Rock, O Source of life,
let your dear Word, in doubt and strife,
in us be strongly burning
that we be faithful unto death
and live in love and holy faith,
from you true wisdom learning.
Your grace and peace
on us shower;
by your power
Christ confessing,
let us see our Savior's blessing

## Our Offering of Thanks & Love

"Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him" - Colossians 3:17

Our offerings are both an expression of thankfulness for what our Savior has done for us, and a way of supporting the spread of the gospel through the Church's work. Guests need not feel obligated to contribute. If you'd like to leave an offering, you may place it in the designated location in the back of the sanctuary or use one of the electronic means listed below.

#### Ways to Give Electronically

Choose one of 3 Simple, Safe Options for Offering Thanks



- Text "give" to 651-401-1400
- Go to www.StJohnsLutheran.com/give
- Scan the QR code

### Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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 on you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.



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