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Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

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THE DAY OF PENTECOST

(Series C)

WELCOME

We are glad you are here to worship our Savior with us. Please remember to turn your cell phone to silence. Restrooms are on the west side of the sanctuary. Prayer requests can be submitted to the church office through email, office@stlukesmanhattan.org, or by calling 785-539-2604. On Communion Sundays, if you need non-gluten wafers at communion, or need to have communion brought to you, please notify the elder who is serving. We hope you will join us again so that you may experience Jesus.

AS WE GATHER

The gift of the Holy Spirit has two different effects. On one hand, the gift is received by the faithful who have trusted in the Lord's promise and who have awaited the fulfillment of that promise. On the other, the gift manifests itself in a people who are sent with that promise to a world still in darkness of sin and death. It is a profound moment and yet it effects a profound change in the nature of the church. What we have been given is meant not to be hoarded but to be shared, not to be kept but to be given away, as the church proclaims the story of the salvation God has accomplished by the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ.

IMAGE

And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of man had built. And 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. Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech."
Genesis 11:5–7

PRELUDE

Please use this time to prayerfully prepare your hearts to enter into the presence of Jesus

✠A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE✠

WELCOME

PRESERVICE SONG - "Forever Reign"

- 1 You are good, You are good
 When there's nothing good in me
 You are love, You are love
 On display for all to see
 You are light, You are light
 When the darkness closes in
 You are hope, You are hope
 You have covered all my sin
- 2 You are peace, You are peace
 When my fear is crippling
 You are true, You are true
 Even in my wandering
 You are joy, You are joy
 You're the reason that I sing
 You are life, You are life,
 In You death has lost its sting
- 3, 5, 8, 9 Oh, I'm running to Your arms, I'm running to Your arms
 The riches of Your love will always be enough
 Nothing compares to Your embrace
 Light of the world forever reign
- 4 You are more, You are more
 Than my words will ever say
 You are Lord, You are Lord
 All creation will proclaim
 You are here, You are here
 In Your presence I'm made whole
 You are God, You are God
 Of all else I'm letting go
- 6, 7 My heart will sing no other name
 Jesus, Jesus

Stand

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

INVOCATION

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

C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

John 7:37-39

P On 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.”

C **Whoever believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, “Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.”**

P Now this He said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive.

C **Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Holy and gracious God,

C **I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver and restore me that I may rest in peace.**

P By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

P Lord, have mercy,

C **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O blessed Lord, You have called, gathered, and enlightened us with the Holy Spirit and His gifts that we may believe, and that by believing we may confess the saving name of Jesus to all people. As we receive Christ, make us bold to make known His death and resurrection to the world that all people might be saved; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

P God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

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

**And 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.**

**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. Amen.**

OPENING SONG – “Word of God Speak”

- 1 I'm finding myself at a loss for words
And the funny thing is it's ok
The last thing I need is to be heard
But to hear what you would say
- 2, 4 Word of God speak
- 5 Would You pour down like rain
Washing my eyes to see Your majesty
To be still and know
That You're in this place
Please let me stay and rest in Your holiness
Word of God speak
- 3 I'm finding myself in the midst of You
Beyond the music, beyond the noise
All that I need is to be with You
And in the quiet I hear Your voice
- 6 I'm finding myself at a loss for words
And the funny thing is it's ok

BLESSING AND SENDING OF GRADUATES

P We invite all graduates and their friends and family to stand.

We just celebrated a momentous occasion in each of your lives. One chapter of your life is closed and another is about to begin. Families, place your hands on your graduate. Together we will speak a blessing,

R **Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go. (*Joshua 1:9*)**

P Let us pray,

Heavenly Father we ask Your blessing on these graduates. We pray that you would give them wisdom, peace and guidance as You open this new chapter in their lives.

C **Amen.**

P Graduates, now that you have been blessed, it is time to send you into a new harvest field. Often in these times of transitions there can be apprehension, fear and doubt. Listen to what the Lord says:

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11

In the coming years you will be meeting new people, new challenges, new situations and new opportunities to share the love of God. Remember God has given you these situations and people for a reason. This is your new mission field. Hear the word of Lord:

From Matthew 5:14 and 16 “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”

Members of this congregation, you have been witness to the blessing and sending of these graduates. Do you, as brothers and sisters in Christ, promise to uplift these graduates in prayer and encourage and support them in thought, word and deed? If so then answer “We do”.

C **We do.**

P Graduates, you have been blessed by the Word of God spoken by those who love you. The Maker of Heaven and Earth has promised to be with you. The Lord has commissioned you to be a bearer of His Word to those around you. The members of Christ's Body have committed to sustain you. Take comfort and strength in the Lord, His Word and His workers.

Stand

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, we pray an extra portion of your Holy Spirit on these graduates. Let them be your ambassadors wherever they go and in whatever they do. Let them be faithful servants to Your will.

C Amen.

Please Be Seated

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 11:1-9

(God confuses the languages of the people to preserve them from even greater sin only to have Christ transcend those divisions when He comes.)

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.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 143; antiphon: v. 10

P ¹⁰Teach me to do your will,
for you are my God!

C Let your good Spirit lead me
on level ground!

P ¹Hear my prayer, O LORD;
give ear to my pleas for mercy!

C In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

- P** ²Enter not into judgment with your servant,
C **for no one living is righteous before you.**
- P** ³For the enemy has pursued my soul;
he has crushed my life to the ground;
C **he has made me sit in darkness like those long dead.**
- P** ⁴Therefore my spirit faints within me;
C **my heart within me is appalled.**
- P** ⁵I remember the days of old;
I meditate on all that you have done;
C **I ponder the work of your hands.**
- P** ⁶I stretch out my hands to you;
C **my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.**
- P** ⁷Answer me quickly, O LORD!
My spirit fails!
C **Hide not your face from me,
lest I be like those who go down to the pit.**
- P** ⁸Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love,
for in you I trust.
C **Make me know the way I should go,
for to you I lift up my soul.**
- P** ⁹Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!
C **I have fled to you for refuge!**
- P** ¹⁰Teach me to do your will,
for you are my God!
C **Let your good Spirit lead me
on level ground!**

P ¹¹For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!
C **In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!**

P ¹²And in your steadfast love you will cut off my enemies,
C **and you will destroy all the adversaries of my soul,**
for I am your servant.

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son**
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P ¹⁰Teach me to do your will,
for you are my God!
C **Let your good Spirit lead me**
on level ground!

SECOND READING

Acts 2:1-21

(Filled with the Spirit, they began to speak in other tongues.)

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.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Liturgical Text

P Alleluia. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,

C and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 14:23-31

(The Helper will teach you all things.)

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

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."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

LAMB'S MESSAGE

SERMON

VOTUM

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

OFFERING

There are several ways to give.

1. Please **send** your offerings to
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
4801 Anderson Avenue
Manhattan, KS 66503
2. **Electronic Funds Transfer**
Sign up through the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE: Acts 1:16 – “Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus.” Judas sold out our Lord for 30 pieces of silver. That is, he sold out his friend, master and teacher for the sake of greed. That is a sharp reminder for us to search our own hearts for greed and to pray that the Lord would help us to turn from it before it consumes us.

OFFERTORY - “Prayer for the City” II Chronicles 7:14

- 1, 2 We open our hearts and our lives to You, oh God
Create within us a servant heart so that we can show Your love
Where all hope has been lost let Your Spirit bring new life
To those in need bring prosperity
Where there's darkness shine Your light
We pray for this city we live in
We pray that our sins be forgiven
Do Your will right here as in heaven
Father, we call on Your name
- 3 We pray for our children
We pray for our leaders
We pray for our families
Oh bless us, Lord, we pray

4 We pray for this city we live in
We pray that our sins be forgiven
Do Your will right here as in heaven
Father, we call on Your name
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Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Gracious Lord, Your Spirit fills the world and gladdens Your Church with the remembrance of all Christ Jesus has spoken. Comfort us with divine peace, and do not let our hearts be troubled or afraid. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, let Your Spirit be at work through our Synod president, our district president, our circuit visitor, and our pastors, that as they proclaim Your Word, He may teach us all things and bring to remembrance all Your Son has said to us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, bless all translators of the Holy Scriptures, that every nation may hear the good news of the mighty works of God in their own language. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord of might, preserve Your people from their enemies, bring peace to the nations and prosper the cause of life. Bless our leaders, especially our president, governor, Congress, legislature, and all judges and magistrates. Give them a relentless pursuit of just laws for the common good of all, with a heart of mercy for the weak and vulnerable. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Light of this dark world, You have sent the Holy Spirit to Your Church as the comforter. Soothe the wounds of Your people. According to Your will, bring restoration to broken families, heal the sick, uplift the depressed, provide for the poor, uphold the forgotten and answer the prayers of all who call out to You for aid [*especially* _____]. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord of rest, You know the struggles of Your people and have promised rest from our labors and peace at the last. Give comfort to those who mourn. Raise up our hearts with the promise of the resurrection and the blest reunion when we shall stand before You without fear and enjoy Your perfect peace forevermore. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty Father, with Your Son, Jesus Christ, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts through Your Word to rule and govern us according to Your will. Comfort us in every temptation and misfortune and defend us against every error, that we may continue steadfast in the faith, increase in love and good works, and — trusting firmly in Your grace — obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant to Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes down from above, that Your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, so that in steadfast faith we may serve You and, in the confession of Your name, abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen.

GREET ONE ANOTHER

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, “The Lord be with you,” “Peace be with you,” or “The peace of the Lord be with you”.

CLOSING SONG - “Firm Foundation” Isaiah 33:6

1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8 Jesus, You’re my firm foundation, I know I can stand secure
Jesus, You’re my firm foundation, I put my hope in Your holy
Word
I put my hope in Your holy Word

3 I have a living hope (echo), I have a future (echo)
God has a plan for me (echo) of this I’m sure (echo)

5 Your Word is faithful (echo), mighty in power (echo)
God will deliver me (echo) of this I’m sure (echo)

9 I put my hope in Your holy Word

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