

NOTE ON PARTICIPATING IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

As intended by Christ and as practiced by the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church throughout history, Closed Communion is observed by this congregation, in which the Lord's Supper is distributed only to those who:

- (a) are baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;
- (b) have been instructed in the truth of Holy Scriptures as taught in the Lutheran Confessions, have been confirmed in and are a faithful member of a congregation of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or a denomination that has altar fellowship with the LC-MS, and continues to embrace this same Lutheran faith in the same way that it is believed, taught, confessed, and practiced at this congregation;
- (c) believe that in this Sacrament Christ Jesus is truly present (The Real Presence) in, with, and under the bread and wine which is the Real Body and Blood of Christ that is distributed to and orally received by you, bestowing on you the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation;
- (d) that you have truly examined yourself and have repented of all your sins, and desire to receive God's forgiveness in this Holy Meal.

If you are a guest at Shepherd of the Springs Lutheran Church, we kindly ask that you first speak with our pastor before receiving this Blessed Sacrament. It is in accord with Holy Scripture that we practice Closed Communion and, therefore, it is an expression of our sincere friendship and concern for your spiritual welfare. If you desire to learn more about our beliefs we ask you to speak with our pastor.

Pentecost

The Holy Spirit Gives Peace

Following the flood, Noah's descendants failed to spread out and fill the earth as God had spoken. Rather, they exalted themselves; with "*one language and the same words*" (Gen. 11:1) they spoke proudly and arrogantly. The Lord humbled them by confusing "*the language of all the earth,*" dividing and dispersing the people (Gen. 11:9). That dispersal was reversed on Pentecost Day (the fiftieth day of Easter), when God caused the one Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to be preached in a multitude of languages. "*At this sound the multitude came together*" (Acts 2:6), for the preaching of Christ is the primary work of the Holy Spirit, whereby He gathers people from all nations into one Church. The Holy Spirit teaches and brings to our remembrance the words of Jesus, which are the words of the Father who sent Him. These words bestow forgiveness and peace to those who keep and hold on to them in love for Jesus. "*Peace 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.*" (St. John 14:27).

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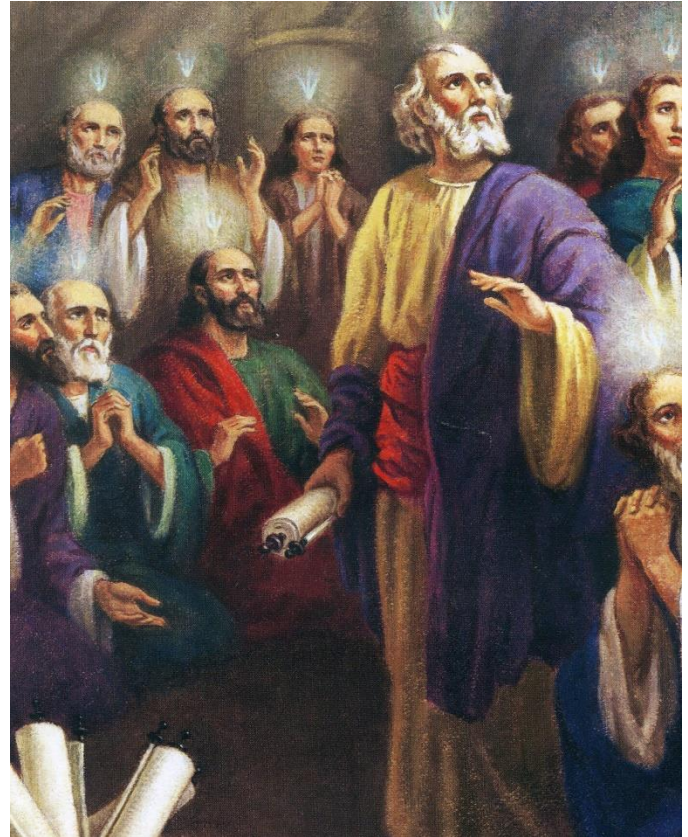
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A Guide to the Divine Service

9:00 a.m.

June 8, 2025



Spiritus Domini
"The Spirit of the Lord"
The Feast of Pentecost

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[We rise and face the Processional Cross]

Processional Hymn

“Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest” #498

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Service of the Word

Introit

The Spirit of the LORD fills the world. Alleluia!

The righteous shall be glad.

They shall exult before God;

they shall be jubilant with joy! Alleluia!

God shall arise, His enemies shall be scattered;

and those who hate Him shall flee before Him!

Sing to God, sing praises to His name;

exult before Him!

The LORD gives the word;

behold, He sends out His voice, His mighty voice.

Awesome is God from His sanctuary;

the God of Israel—He is the one who gives power and strength to His people.

(Ps. 68:1, 4a, c, 11a, 33b, 35a; antiphon: Liturgical Text; Ps. 68:3)

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Gloria in Excelsis p. 187

Salutation p. 189

Collect for the Day of Pentecost – 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. **A - - - men!**

[We are seated]

Prophecy of the Day **Genesis 11:1-9**

[The Tower of Babel]

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

Verse

Alleluia! When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created,

and You renew the face of the ground. Alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,

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

(Ps. 104:30; Liturgical Text)

Epistle of the Day **Acts 2:1-11**

[The Event of Pentecost]

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!**

[We rise] **Triple Alleluia p. 190**

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

Holy Gospel of the Day **St. John 14:23-31a**

[The Promise of the Holy Spirit]

Responses to the Holy Gospel **p. 190**

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[We are seated]

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

Sermon

[We rise] **Offertory p. 192**

[We are seated]

The offering is received

God richly bless you for your support of His work among us!

[We rise] **Prayer of the Church**

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[Please review our Communion Policy on the back of this Guide]

[We are seated for the Distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ]

Hymn **“O Day Full of Grace” #503**

[We rise] **Doxology #805**

Dismissal, Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving, p. 199
Salutation, Benedicamus, Benediction

[We are seated for announcements]

[We rise for the Recessional Hymn]

“Holy Spirit, Light Divine” #496

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

Readings for Next Sunday The Feast of the Holy Trinity

Prophecy of the Day:

Isaiah 6:1-7

Epistle of the Day:

Romans 11:33-36

Holy Gospel of the Day:

St. John 3:1-15