

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
*(Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod)*  
**LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**  
**June 8, 2014**

**THE DAY OF PENTECOST**  
**PRAYER UPON ENTERING CHURCH**

O Holy Spirit whose work it is to establish and nourish me in faith, grant me strength in that faith through Word and Sacrament to confess Jesus as Lord and Savior. Further grant that You increase in me the desire to serve the Lord with gladness using my gifts and talents, and further grant that I also love my neighbor and give witness to Jesus in all that I say and do. I pray this in His holy name. Amen

**WELCOME**

Today we celebrate the Festival of Pentecost, the culmination of the Easter celebration. The resurrected Christ, having shown Himself to His disciples and having ascended to the right hand of the Father, sends the promised gift of the Holy Spirit to the young expectant Church. It is the Holy Spirit who uses the Means of Grace, Word and Sacrament, to create and sustain faith and thereby enlarge the Church. The Church continues to carry out the Great Commission of baptizing in the name of the Triune God and teaching everything that the Lord has commanded us to teach so that it might be the source of living water for those who are spiritually thirsty.

**Welcome** to everyone gathered here this day for worship. We ask that everyone fill out an attendance registration card found at each pew and return it to an Usher as the Offering is collected. Children are welcome in our Service and will be invited to come forward for a Children's Message. Parents may accompany them. A nursery for infants and toddlers is located downstairs for anyone who has need. **We invite you to come and worship with us again.**

**AS WE GATHER**

**Come Holy Spirit!** Pentecost is the birthday of the Christian Church. This celebration takes place 50 days after Easter (the word Pentecost means 50<sup>th</sup> day). On this day the Holy Spirit was poured out in a powerful way on Jesus' disciples to enable them to proclaim the Gospel and to bring peace in the midst of the confusion of man's sinfulness.

In John 14, Jesus says, "But 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." The primary role of the Holy Spirit then is to teach us and remind us of all that Jesus said. When Peter had confessed Jesus to be the Messiah, Jesus said immediately to Peter: "the son of Man must suffer many things...be killed, and on the third day be raised" (Luke 9:22). Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. This is the word that the Holy Spirit reminds us of week after week in Scripture, hymns, preaching and Holy Communion. It is this word of Jesus that brings us down a notch when we are arrogant and lifts us up when we are brought low by our sin. Christ, crucified for sinners and risen, is the focus of our faith and witness. This is precisely what the Holy Spirit teaches us and brings to our remembrance to give us peace and an eternal hope.

## THE ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are given today to the glory of God and the beautification of His House by Jack and Pat Funk in thanksgiving for the Lord's many blessings.

## THOSE WHO SERVE

Pastor:		Rev. James C. Walter
Vicar:		David Witte
Director of Parish Music:		Nathan Beethe
Secretary:		Pat Funk
Early Childhood Center Director:		Colleen Moorman
Acolyte:	(8:15)	Ethan Andrews
Cantor:	(8:15)	Randy Middaugh
Ushers:	(8:15)	Robert Jones, Robert Nichols Robert Wilimzig, Paul Walter
Greeter:	(8:15)	Debbie Penny
Altar Guild:	(8:15)	Janet Killough
Acolyte:	(10:45)	Jack Manchester
Cantor:	(10:45)	Suzanne Lambert
Ushers:	(10:45)	Shaun Baker, Ron Krueger Tim Sweeney, Greg Warren
Greeters:	(10:45)	Jim and Nancy Wade
Altar Guild:	(10:45)	Dawn Cline
Choir:		Adult Choir
Baritone Sax:		Maxwell Baker
Euphonium:		Raymond Harrill
Trombone:		Rudy Bischof, Christina Junkans, Joel Junkans, Jeff Ralston
Trumpet:		Matt Lacy, Chris Nutt, Richard Sanders
Coffee Host:		Debbie Penny
Altar Guild:	(Wed. evening)	Suzanne Raddle and Wilma Richter
Nursery Attendant:		Mary Ann Dyer

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS** - The appointed readings for next Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, The Holy Trinity Sunday are: Old Testament Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:4a, The Second Reading: Acts 2:14a, 22-36, and The Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:16-20.

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# THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE for THE DAY OF PENTECOST

Pre-Service Music

*O Holy Spirit, Enter In - Johann Pachelbel*

Lighting of the Chancel Candles

Prelude

*O Holy Spirit, Enter In [BWV 739] - J.S. Bach*

Ringing of the Church Bell

Opening Hymn: O Holy Spirit, Enter In

LSB 913

## Confession and Absolution

*Stand*

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

Invocation

*Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

**A** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen

Exhortation

*1 John 1:8–9*

**A** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

## Confession of Sins

- A** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen**

## Declaration of Grace

*John 1:12; Philippians 1:6*

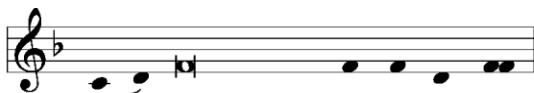
- A** In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C** **Amen**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Ps. 104:24, 27–28, 30; antiphon: Liturgical Text*

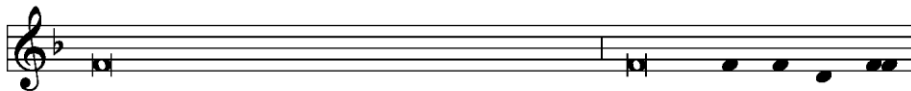
- A** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,  
**C** **and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.**
- A** O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all;  
**C** **the earth is full of your creatures.**
- A** These all look to you,  
**C** **to give them their food in due season.**
- A** When you give it to them, they gather it up;  
**C** **when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.**
- A** When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,  
**C** **and you renew the face of the ground.**
- 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**
- A** Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful,  
**C** **and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia.**



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



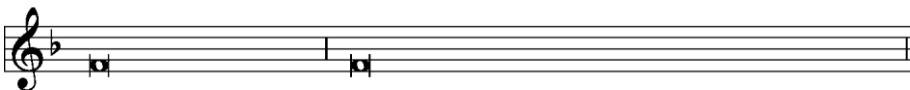
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



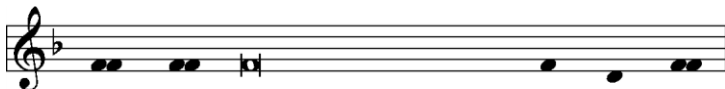
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

### This Is the Feast

*Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9*



**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
5 For the Lamb who was slain has he -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*  
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*  
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*  
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**A** Let us pray.

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.



**C** A - men.

*Sit*

## Anthem

*Holy Spirit, Light Divine - Jeffrey Blersch*

## Old Testament Reading

*Numbers 11:24-30*

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Acts 2:17b; Rom. 10:10*



I will pour out my Spirit | on all flesh,\*  
and your sons and your daughters shall | prophesy.  
With the heart one believes and is | justified,\*  
and with the mouth one confesses | and is saved.

## Second Reading

*Acts 2:1–21*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

*Liturgical Text*

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

**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*John 7:37–39*

- A** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventh chapter.

**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

*The reading of the Holy Gospel.*

- A** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

## Children's Message



Sermon

*Acts 2:1–21*

*“What Does This Mean?”*

*Stand*

## Apostles' Creed

**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

## Prayer of the Church

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

*Each petition ends with the following:*

**A** Lord, in Your mercy,  
**C** hear our prayer.

*The prayers conclude with the following:*

- A** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** Amen

*Sit*

## Offering

*Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid - Harold Rohlig*

*Stand*

## Offertory

*Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19*



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres - ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa-lem.

## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9–13*

**A** 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**

## Closing Collect

**A** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** **Amen**

## Benediction

**A** The Lord bless us and keep us.  
The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us.  
The Lord lift His countenance upon us and  $\text{✠}$  give us peace.

**C** **Amen**

## Closing Hymn: Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

**LSB 650**

## Postlude

*Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling - Paul D. Weber*



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## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

<b>SUNDAY:</b>	8:15 a.m. – Divine Service Coffee and Fellowship in the Parlor 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School downstairs in Parker Hall 9:45 a.m. – Junior and Senior High classes downstairs in the church 9:45 a.m. – Pastor Walter’s Bible Class upstairs in Parker Hall 10:45 a.m. – Divine Service
<b>MON - FRI:</b>	7:30 a.m. – Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC)
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	9:30 a.m. – Tuesday Morning Bible Class 6:30 p.m. – Men’s Choir
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	6:30 a.m. – Men’s Bible Study (St. Vincent’s) 7:00 p.m. – Mid-Week Service with Holy Communion
<b>THURSDAY:</b>	12:00 noon – Devotions with Pastor
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	4:00 p.m. – VBS Set-up begins
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	8:45 a.m. – Annual Float Trip 9:00 a.m. – VBS Set-up Work Day

**TODAY SUNDAY SCHOOL** - “Walking through H<sub>2</sub>O! Crossing the Red Sea” is the theme for this week’s Sunday School lesson. The lesson focuses on how God pours out His saving love for us by delivering us from trouble and daily giving us a new start. Parents could ask, “*What dangers does God safely guide us through each day?*”

**PASTOR WALTER’S CLASS** meets each Sunday morning upstairs in Parker Hall. Vicar Witte will lead the study of the Letter to the Hebrews, and today will begin the section on chapter five of Hebrews.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** for children ages 3 years through 6<sup>th</sup> grade meet in the lower level of the Family Life Center. **JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES** meet in their classrooms downstairs in the church.

**OUR THANKS** to Vicar David Witte for leading us in worship this morning. Pastor and Paula are in Chicago where this morning Pastor is baptizing their granddaughter, Margaret Elizabeth Walter.

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY AND GOD’S BLESSINGS TO:**

June 8 – Lydia and Robert Bemberg

June 11 – Cecilia and Joe Gelzine, Suzanne and Josh Hardman, Allie and Kevin Ray

June 13 – Riley and Randy Middaugh

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND GOD'S BLESSINGS TO:**

June 8 – Roy Brands, Jr., Paul Krueger, Laine Krueger

June 10 – Houston Metzler, Tommy Weed

June 11 – Hunter Goodwin, Jr., Charlotte Wunderlich

June 12 – Jim Wade

June 13 – Zachary Arnold

## **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Betty Schonert has returned home from the hospital.

Mary Ann Dyer is undergoing tests.

The Worden family is working to recover after a tornado severely damaged their home.

Gary Goldsby is recovering from a heart procedure on Friday.

Grant Geuther has returned home following his rehab.

**LAST WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP – Attendance:** Sunday 6/1: 208 (8:15 – 125 and 10:45 – 83). Mid-Week Service 5/28: 6. **Offerings:** Sunday 6/1: \$10,731.00. Mid-Week Service 5/28: \$1,740.00. Missions: \$220.00. Building Fund: \$415.00. Memorials: \$175.00. Scholarship Fund: \$150.00.

**Gangway for Galilee!** - Register now for our **Gangway to Galilee VBS**. The dates are **June 15-19 from 5:30-8:15 p.m.** A light supper for the children will be served each evening. Registration forms can be found in the breezeway. Please contact Diane Roberts ([di4hogs@yahoo.com](mailto:di4hogs@yahoo.com)), Catherine Manchester ([cmanchester@icloud.com](mailto:cmanchester@icloud.com)) or Gina Junkans ([jgjunkans@aristotle.net](mailto:jgjunkans@aristotle.net)) with any questions. Forms can be returned to the church office or to any of the women listed above.

**NOON DEVOTIONS WITH PASTOR** is **Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 noon** in Parker Hall. Bring a sandwich and join us as Pastor Walter leads a Bible study. Drinks, chips and dessert are provided. This is a great opportunity for Bible study and fellowship.

**LUTHERAN CAMP ON PETIT JEAN - EPIC! Exploring Purpose in Creation** - Get ready for adventure! Summer camp at the Lutheran Camp on Petit Jean will be **EPIC** fun – hiking, swimming, canoeing, horseback riding, archery, sand volleyball, crafts and singing, and more, along with devotions and prayer. Each day will explore God's Word to discover what it means to be created in God's image. Registration forms are available here at Grace on the table in the breezeway and by the ramp door, contact the director David Cox at 501-727-5656 or [director@lutherancamp.org](mailto:director@lutherancamp.org). Mail your registration form to Lutheran Camp on Petit Jean, 110 Montgomery Trace, Morrilton, AR 72110.

**SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP** is a great opportunity for getting to know our visitors or someone you haven't met before, but we need volunteers to serve refreshments, especially these upcoming Sundays, **June 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**. Check these dates and other dates on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the Parlor. Please sign up for the Sunday on which you wish to serve. Thank you for volunteering to serve!!

**MID-WEEK SERVICES** - We have a Worship Service each Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. with Holy Communion on the second and fourth Wednesday. Each week's theme follows the theme of the previous Sunday. This is a great opportunity for evening worship and an opportunity for worship if you are not able to be here on Sunday.

**DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES (DCFS)** - Grace continues to support the foster care program in the East Office of DCFS. Some of the items they continue to need for the children coming into their office include: **Diapers all sizes; Wipes; Boxes of Kleenex; Snacks: pop tarts, crackers, cookies, juice; and Microwavable: ravioli, spaghetti, and macaroni.** If you can help provide any of these items, please bring them to the church and place them in the box for DCFS on the bridge. For more information, contact the church office.

**GRACE ANNUAL FLOAT TRIP** is almost here...it's Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Meet at the Highway 14 Bridge at 8:45 a.m. for departure at 9:00 a.m. The cost is \$40.00 per canoe plus \$3 per person for transport. Limited number of canoes/kayaks. Camping sites at Buffalo Point Campground can be reserved by calling 1-877-444-6777. Plans have been made to stop at Spring Creek for lunch. Contact Tim Loyd at 851-6457 or 352-4908 or [timpaul59@att.net](mailto:timpaul59@att.net).

#### **MEMORIALS -**

**IN MEMORY OF MRS. SHERRY BISCHOF**  
**TO THE SHERRY BISCHOF MEMORIAL FUND**  
By Steve and Cathy Berner

**IN MEMORY OF MR. G. B. (BUD) SPOTTS**  
**TO THE GRACE BUILDING FUND**  
By Rudy Bischof



## Vacation Bible School

### ***Set-up Work Day***

*VBS Work Days – Set up and Decorating*  
are

**Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**

## **GRACE FOOD PANTRY**

Our Food Pantry serves the needs of many people. Many we help need food items that they can “open and eat” from the can. Others do have a place to cook but can’t afford the additional perishable items needed (such as eggs, butter, etc.). Please keep this in mind as you purchase items for the Pantry. Here are some of the items we need to restock:

**Canned or packaged meats: tuna, chicken, and Vienna sausages;**

**Canned chunky soups (NOT creamed or broth soups);**

**Canned fruit: peaches, pears, or mixed fruit;**

**Canned vegetables: green beans, corn, or baked beans.**

Thank you for your donations. Please place them on the kitchen counter downstairs in the church.

Grace Lutheran Church

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



“Dive in and set sail” with us...  
Sunday June 15 – Thursday June 19

5:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

(Registration forms are in “breeze-way”)