

# Day of Pentecost

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**AS WE GATHER:** What can “top” the story of Easter? For fifty days, the Church has exalted in the glory of the resurrection of Jesus, shouting, “The Lord is risen” and “He is risen indeed.” “This is the feast of victory” we’ve said and sung. But our risen Lord has told us there is more—there is something greater. Today, on the great fiftieth day of our celebration, the Lord poured out in a dramatic way the Holy Spirit. Not as if the Spirit has been absent until now, for wherever faith is, there is the evidence of the working of God the Holy Spirit. Not a different helper, but the one true triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—is poured out into the world. We hear the mighty acts of God in our own language to this day. We heard God the Father say at our Lord’s transfiguration, “Listen to Him.” Today our attention is diverted from the Holy Spirit as He means to tell us, “It is all about Jesus!”

In Jesus, the glory of God has come to enlighten our dark world and lives. In Jesus, the water of eternal life makes us alive forevermore. Remember the Christmas angels singing “Glory to God in the highest”? Then His true glory shined forth from the cross of His atoning suffering and death for us. Now the glory of His resurrection is made known in the living Word of God as it is spoken in many languages the world over and distributed through the Holy Sacraments. Now the only thing left is our final glorification, being raised completely to that new life on the day of our resurrection.



If anyone thirsts,  
let him come to Me  
and drink. Whoever  
believes in Me,  
as the Scripture has  
said, “Out of his  
heart will flow  
rivers of living  
water.”

*John 7:37–38*

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## **HYMN #913 “O Holy Spirit, Enter In”**

**Opening Versicles** *LSB 285*

**Kyrie** *LSB 285*

**HYMN #497 “Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord”**

**The Old Testament Reading** *Numbers 11:24–30*

**The Second Reading** *Acts 2:1–21*

**HYMN #496 “Holy Spirit, Light Divine”**

**The Holy Gospel** *John 7:37–39*

**Apostles’ Creed**

**HYMN #502 “Holy Spirit, the Dove Sent from Heaven”**

**Sermon** “The Power of God” *Text: The Second Reading*

**Versicles** *LSB 286*

**Collect of the Day** *Day of Pentecost*

*(Additional Prayers are Offered)*

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Benedicamus** *LSB 287*

**Blessing** *LSB 287*

**HYMN #650 “Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”**

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