

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Worship Focus

I believe in the Holy Spirit... who sanctifies us



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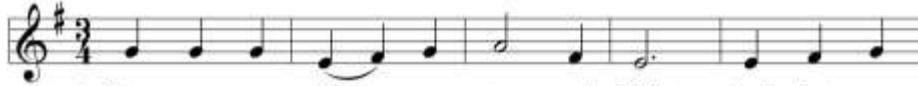
Morning Praise

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OPENING HYMN

471 – Renew Me, O Eternal Light



1 Re - new me, O e - ter - nal Light, And let my
2 De - stroy in me the lust of sin; From all im -
3 Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord, That glad - ly
4 Grant that I on - ly you may love And seek those



heart and soul be bright, Il - lu - mined with the
pure - ness make me clean. Oh, grant me pow'r and
I o - bey your Word. Oh, let your will be
things which are a - bove Till I be - hold you



light of grace That is - sues from your ho - ly face.
strength, my God, To strive a - gainst my flesh and blood.
my de - sire And with new life my soul in - spire.
face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through your grace.

Text: Johann F. Ruopp, 1672–1708, abe.; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.
Tune: HERR JESU CHRIST, MEINS (LM) *As hymnodus sacer*, Leipzig, 1625, alt.

INVOCATION AND PRAYER



M: O Lord, o - pen my lips.



C: And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.



M: Has - ten to save me, O God.



C: O Lord, come quick - ly to help me.



M: General) Praise be to God, the Father,
the Son, and the Holy — Spir - it: let us wor - ship him.

PRAYER AND PRAISE



C: Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of



our sal - va - tion. Let us come into his presence with thanks - giv - ing,



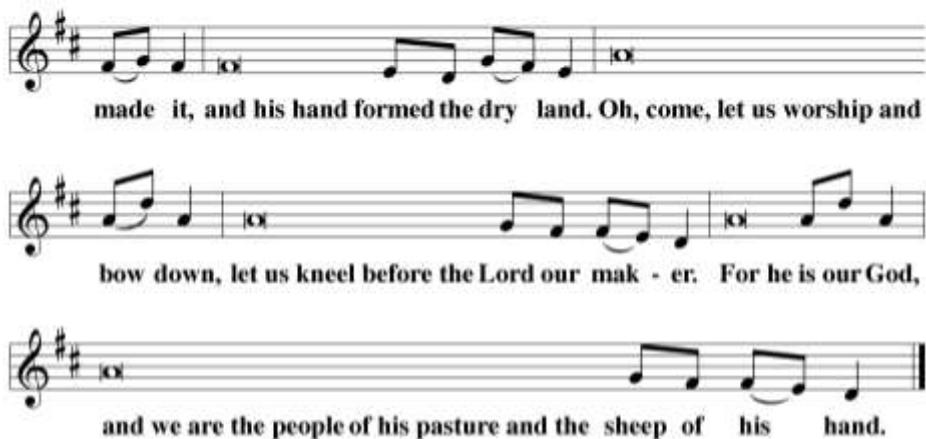
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. For the Lord is a



great God and a great king a - bove all gods. The deep places of the earth are



in his hand; the heights of the hills are al - so his. The sea is his, for he



made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and
bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er. For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON 1 Samuel 10:5-11

The Holy Spirit was active in the Old Testament, working change in the life of Saul to make him fit for service as king of Israel.

¹SAMUEL 10:5 “After that you will go to Gibeah of God, where there is a Philistine outpost. As you approach the town, you will meet a procession of prophets coming down from the high place with lyres, tambourines, flutes and harps being played before them, and they will be prophesying. ⁶The Spirit of the LORD will come upon you in power, and you will prophesy with them; and you will be changed into a different person. ⁷Once these signs are fulfilled, do whatever your hand finds to do, for God is with you.

⁸“Go down ahead of me to Gilgal. I will surely come down to you to sacrifice burnt offerings and fellowship offerings, but you must wait seven days until I come to you and tell you what you are to do.”

⁹ As Saul turned to leave Samuel, God changed Saul’s heart, and all these signs were fulfilled that day. ¹⁰ When they arrived at Gibeah, a procession of prophets met him; the Spirit of God came upon him in power, and he joined in their prophesying. ¹¹ When all those who had formerly known him saw him prophesying with the prophets, they asked each other, “What is this that has happened to the son of Kish? Is Saul also among the prophets?”

PSALM

Psalm 51b

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Pastor will sing the first line; the congregation responds with the second line of each verse.

Refrain



Come, Ho-ly Spir-it, re-new our hearts and
kin-dle in us the fire of your love.

Psalm tone



O Lord, open | my lips,*
and my mouth will de | clare your praise.

You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would | bring it;*
you do not take pleasure in burnt | offerings.

The sacrifices of God are a broken | spirit;*
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will | not despise. *Refrain*

Create in me a pure | heart, O God,*
and renew a steadfast spirit with | in me.

Do not cast me from your | presence*
or take your Holy Spirit | from me.

Restore to me the joy of your sal | vation,*
and grant me a willing spirit, to sus | tain me.

Then I will teach transgressors | your ways,*
and sinners will turn | back to you.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit,
as it was in the be | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen. *Refrain*

SECOND LESSON Galatians 5:16-26

Paul often ends his letters with an encouragement toward living a sanctified life. In his letter to the Galatians he focuses on the work of the Spirit in our sanctified life.

GALATIANS 5:16 So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. ¹⁷ For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.

¹⁹ The acts of the sinful nature are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; ²⁰ idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹ and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. ²⁴ Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. ²⁵ Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

GOSPEL John 14:15-21

Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit.

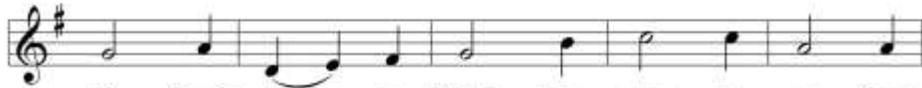
JOHN 14:15 “If you love me, you will obey what I command. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever-- ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹ Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him.”

HYMN OF THE DAY

186 – O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of Love



1 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God, Re - veal - er
2 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God, En - light - en
3 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God, In - crease our
4 O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God, Lead us to



of God's ho - ly Word, You come to us from
us by that same Word; Un - less your grace the
faith in our dear Lord; Teach us to know the
love your sa - cred Word; The ho - ly flame of



God's great throne, From God the Fa - ther and the
pow'r should give, None can be - lieve in Christ and
Fa - ther's love And his dear Son, who reigns a -
love im - part, That kind - ness may in - spire each



Son, O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God.
live, O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God.
bove, O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God.
heart, O Spir - it of life, O Spir - it of God.

Text: Johann Niedling, 1602–68, abr., adapt.; tr. John C. Mattes, 1876–1948, alt.

Tune: O JESULEIN SUSS (10 8 88 10) *Ausserlesene, Catholische, Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, Köln, 1623, alt.

SERMON

Galatians 5:25

You Are Living a Spirit-filled Life



and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide. You, Christ, are the King of



glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther. When you became man to



set us free, you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin. You overcame the



sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be - liev - ers.



You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Fa - ther.



We believe that you will come to be our judge.



Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple, bought with the price of



your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER and GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

M O Lord, our God, you are wise and powerful, good and gracious. Your mercies are new every morning. Each day you open your hand and provide for the needs of your children on earth.

C **We praise you for every grace and blessing.**

M Strengthen your Church in all the world. Let your comforting message of salvation in Christ Jesus be proclaimed to troubled souls everywhere.

C **Use our ministries and offerings to extend your healing and your hope.**

M We bring you our requests for the various structures of our society. Bless our national, state (provincial), and local governments.

C **Grant us civil servants who are worthy of honor and respect.**

M Grant prosperity to our businesses and industries. Give employers a sense of fairness toward their workers, and employees a feeling of joy and pride in their workmanship.

C **Help us find satisfaction in all work well done.**

M Invigorate the schools of our land. Give success to every effort that helps students read, think, and communicate in ways that will promote an informed and responsible citizenry. Arouse curious minds to discover the wonders of your created order.

C **Give us teachers and students who pursue excellence.**

M Strengthen the families of our country. Give fathers and mothers a renewed commitment to be good parents. Give children and young people the wisdom to regard their parents as your representatives.

C **Lead us to love one another as you have loved us.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M Gracious Father, we pray boldly as Jesus taught, with the confidence that you will hear and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare.

C **Amen.**

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C 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.**



SERMON HYMN

182 – Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the
 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the



ho - liest realms of light, Ho - ly Spir - it,
 Church's ver - y life, Ho - ly Spir - it,
 Church's min - is - try, Teach - ing, strength-'ning,



ev - er brood - ing O'er a world of gloom and night,
 ev - er striv - ing Through us in a cease - less strife,
 and ab - solv - ing, Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free,



Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er rais - ing Those on earth to
 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er form - ing In the Church the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er bind - ing Age to age and



thrones on high, Liv - ing, life - im - part - ing
 mind of Christ, You we praise with end - less
 soul to soul In com - mun - ion nev - er



Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.
 wor - ship For your gra - cious gifts un - priced.
 end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol,

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Tune: IN BABILONE (87 87 D) *Oude en Nieuwe Hollantse . . . Contradansen*, Amsterdam, c. 1710.

PRAYER AND BLESSING

M O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C Amen.



M: Let us praise the Lord.



C: Thanks be to God.



M: The grace of our Lord + Je - sus Christ and the love of God



and the fellowship of the Holy Spir - it be with you all.



C: A - men.

CLOSING HYMN

458 – My We Your Precepts, Lord, Fulfill



1 May we your pre-cepts, Lord, ful - fill And do on
2 So may we join your name to bless, Your grace a -
3 Spir - it of life, of love, and peace, U - nite our

earth our Fa - ther's will As an - gels do a - bove,
dore, your pow'r con - fess, To flee from sin and strife.
hearts, our joy in - crease, Your gra - cious help sup - ply.

Still walk in Christ, the liv - ing way, With all your
One is our call - ing, one our name, The end of
To each of us the bless - ing give In Chris - tian

chil - dren, and o - bey The law of Chris - tian love.
all our hopes the same: A glo - rious crown of life.
fel - low - ship to live, In joy - ful hope to die.

Text: Edward Osler, 1798–1863, alt.
Tune: MERIBAH (886 886) Lowell Mason, 1792–1872.

After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.



If we live by the
SPIRIT,
let us also keep
in step with the
SPIRIT.

GALATIANS 5:25, ESV

