Order of Worship
for
The Sunday of Pentecost
and
The Rite of Confirmation
May 28, 2023

SONG "Since I Opened the Door"

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

On this Sunday we gather for worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen!

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

And also with you!

KYRIE SONG "Spirit of the Living God"

#### **PRAYER**

O God, on this day You open the hearts of Your people by sending them Your Holy Spirit. Direct our lives by that Spirit, that we may rightly discern in all things and rejoice at all times; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN "Speak O Lord"

#### **READING**

Acts 2:1-21

# The lesson for today is from the book of the Acts of the Apostles, chapter two, verses one through twenty-one. Luke writes:

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup> Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup> Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup> All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

<sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup> Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup> Even upon My slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out My Spirit, and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup> Then everyone who calls on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.'

#### **GOSPEL**

John 7:37-39

# The Gospel reading is from John, chapter seven, verses thirty-seven through thirty-nine. John writes:

<sup>37</sup> On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, He cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to Me, <sup>38</sup> and let the one who believes in Me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" <sup>39</sup> Now He said this about the Spirit, which believers in Him were to receive, for as yet there was no Spirit because Jesus was not yet glorified.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
"A Fan of the Holy Spirit"
Rev. David Hewitt

"The Pentecost Possession"

Rev. David Hewitt

SONG
"Holy Spirit"

#### THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

#### THE SPIRIT IS CONFIRMED IN THE CONFIRMANDS

Pastor will address the confirmands, as they make public affirmation of their baptisms.

#### AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Please join us as we say the words of:
THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's 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 to the dead.

On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. Pastor will affirm the confirmands' commitment to God.

Pastor will then address the parents of the confirmands, affirming their commitment to continue to support their children's growth in the faith and journey through life.

#### THE CONGREGATION AFFIRMS THE CONFIRMANDS

Fellow disciples, I commend these sisters and this brother to your love and care.

Do all in your power to model for them a Christ-centered life; embrace them as full partners in our ministry together; and be quick to offer encouragement and support that will grow their faith and confirm their hope within this loving community.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. As disciples together with you in the body of Christ and in this community of faith;

We renew our commitment to faithfully participate in the ministries of the Church; that God's Mission and Vision may be fulfilled by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service, and

that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. Amen!

#### **OFFERING**

Your offerings are more than just money to keep the lights turned on. Your gifts help to sustain and expand all of our ministries here at King of Glory, including those which provide direct assistance to those in our community who are in need. We are grateful for all of the gifts we receive, and we strive to be good stewards of the resources you provide to us.

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## OFFERING SONG "Majesty"

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

During this time, we pray for all those who need God's blessings, and praise Him for the blessings He has bestowed upon us.

During the prayers, there will be a time of silence, when we offer our personal prayers to God.

#### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

We prepare to receive the sacraments of Holy Communion, by remembering the words and actions of Jesus during the Last Supper.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours now and forever.

Amen.

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

### For those worshipping in-house,

we invite you to come forward if you wish.

If you prefer to take communion at your seat,

you may do so.

### For those joining us online,

If you are able,
we invite you to take communion where you are,
using any kind of bread and either wine or grape juice
so that you may receive the body and blood of our Lord and Savior,
Jesus the Christ.

#### **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

Now, may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, keep you in His grace and peace, now and forever. Amen!

# SONG "Spirit Song"

#### **BENEDICTION**

May the Lord bless you and keep you; May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you God's peace; in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

# SONG "Sing Wherever I Go"

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