***Introit (Psalm 104)***

P: Come, Holy Spirit, fill Your faithful people.

C: Put Your love in them same-as a fire. Alleluia!

P: Lord, You do many wonderful works! Your wisdom made all things.

**C: You fill the earth with living things.**

P: Every living thing depends on You.

**C: At the right time, You give them food.**

P: You give to them, and they gather their food.

**C: Your hand fills them with good things.**

P: You send Your Spirit and You make them.

**C: You make all the earth new again.**

**All: Glory give to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, the same as it was in the beginning, is now, and will continue forever. Amen.**

***Prayer for God’s Word***

P: O God, on the first Pentecost You taught Your people, how? You gave them Your Holy Spirit. Today, give us the Holy Spirit the same. Then we can rightly understand all things, and we can rejoice because the Holy Spirit comforts us. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Jesus lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (copy) Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson is from Ezekiel chapter 37.

The Lord’s hand touched me and the Spirit carried-me-away and set-me-down in the middle-of a valley. That place was-full with bones. He led me up-and-down among those bones. Many bones were-lying in the valley and they were very dry. The Lord asked me, “Son of ADAM, can these bones become alive?”

I answered, “Lord God, You know.”

He told me, “Preach to these bones and say, ‘You dry bones, you listen to the Word of the Lord!’ The Lord God announces to these bones: I will make breath enter you and you will live. I will join your muscles and muscle will grow on you, and I will cover you with skin and give-you breath. You will live and know I am the Lord.”

I preached same-as God commanded me. While I preached, I heard a noise, the bones joining together. I saw muscles growing on them and skin covering them. But they had no breath.

God said to me, “Preach to the breath. Son of ADAM, tell the breath, ‘The Lord God says this: Come from the east, west, north and south. O wind, come and breathe on these dead people and they will live.”

Then I preached same-as God commanded and breath entered them and they stood-up, a very large army.

Then God said to me, “Son of ADAM, these bones are all the people of Israel. They say: Our bones are dry and our hope is all-gone, we are cut-off from our God.”

“Now, preach and tell them, 'The Lord God says this: I will open your graves and you will arise out-of your graves, you My people. I will lead you to the land of Israel. Then when I open your graves and I raise you alive, My people, you will know that I am the Lord. I will put My Spirit in you, and you will live. I will give you a home in your-own land. And you will know that I am the Lord. I announced this and I will do it.”

This is the word of the Lord.

C: (copy) Thanks give to God.

The New Testament lesson is from Acts chapter 2.

On that day named PENTECOST, all Jesus’ disciples were together in one place. While they sat in the house, quickly a noise from heaven came and filled all the house. That noise seemed same-as a strong wind. And small fires appeared on the disciples. And the Holy Spirit filled them all, and they began to speak in other languages, same-as the Spirit made them able to speak.

Jewish people from every nation on earth lived in the city Jerusalem. They were religious people. Happened the people heard the noise, they went to the house. They were confused, because each person heard Jesus’ disciples speak in his-own language.

They were-surprised and wondered, “These men are from GALILEE, correct? And how can each person hear them speak our home language? We are PARTHIANS, MEDES, ELAMITES, people from the nations of MESOPOTAMIA, JUDEA, CAPPADOCIA, PONTUS, and ASIA. People from PHRYGIA, PAMPHYLIA, EGYPT, and places in AFRICA near CYRENE, and also visitors from ROME, both Jewish people and non-Jewish believers, and people from CRETE and ARABIA. We hear them speak in our languages about God’s wonderful works.” Everyone was-surprised, and they said to one-another, “What can this mean?”

But others mocked and said, “These men are drunk with new wine.”

Then Peter stood-up with the eleven apostles, and Peter spoke with a loud voice, “Jewish friends and all you people living in the city of JERUSALEM, understand and listen to me. These men are not drunk, same-as you think. No! Because the time is only nine in the morning.”

“These are the words the prophet JOEL spoke, ‘God says in the last days I will give My Spirit to many people. Then your sons and daughters will speak prophecy, your young men will see future things, and your old men will dream. I will also give My Spirit to My servants, both men and women, and they will speak prophecy.”

“I will show you surprising wonders in the sky and amazing things on the earth. You will see blood, and fire, and a cloud of smoke. The sun will become dark and the moon will become red before the Lord’s great day happens, that great and wonderful day. Then God will save everyone who calls on the Lord’s name.’”

This is the word of the Lord.

C: (copy) Thanks give to God.

The Gospel lesson is from John chapters 15 and 16.

C: (copy) Glory to You, O Lord.

Jesus said, “The Helper will come. I will send Him from the Father to you. The Helper is the Spirit of truth. He comes from the Father. He will tell you about Me. You will also witness about Me, because you were with Me from the beginning until now.”

“In the beginning, I didn’t tell you these things, because I was with you. The Father sent Me, and now I go again to Him. But none of you asks, ‘Where are You going?’ Because I told you these things, your hearts are sad.

But I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I leave. Why? If I stay, then the Helper will not come. But after I leave, I will send the Helper to you. The Helper, the Holy Spirit, will show the world about sin, about getting forgiveness from God, and about judgment.

The Spirit will prove the people are sinners, because they don’t believe in Me. The Holy Spirit will prove to them about forgiveness, because I am going to the Father and you will not see Me any more. And the Spirit will prove to the world about judgment, because God finished judged the ruler of this world, the devil.

I have many more things to tell you, but you are not ready to hear them now. But when the Spirit of truth comes, He will lead you in all truth. The Spirit doesn’t decide what He will say. What He hears, He will speak. He will show you what will happen.

The Spirit will give glory to Me. He will take from Me and show that to you. All things the Father has are Mine. That is why I said the Spirit takes from Me and He shows that to you.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: (copy) Praise to You, O Christ.