***Introit (Psalm 104)***

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

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

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

**C: The earth is full with animals You made.**

P: Every living thing depends-on You.

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

P: They gather their food from You.

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

P: You send Your Spirit and You make them.

**C: You make 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 understand all things the right way and we can always rejoice because the Holy Spirit comforts and encourages 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 Genesis chapter 11.

All over the earth the people spoke the same language with the same words. Now the people moved east and decided to live on the flat land in the place named SHINAR.

The people said to one-another, “Come, let us make bricks and bake them in fire.” Instead-of stone they used bricks, and instead of MORTAR, they used TAR. They said, “Come, let us build a city for ourselves and let us build a tower touching heaven. Let us make our name important, then we can stay together, we will not be-scattered over the earth.”

Now the Lord came-down to see the city and the tower the people built. The Lord said, “They are all one people group with one language. This is the beginning of their work. Soon they will do other things and nothing will be impossible for them. Come, let us go-down and confuse their language. Then they can’t understand each-other.”

The Lord scattered the people over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. That place is named BABEL, because God confused the language of all the people on earth, and God scattered the people over all the earth.

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. 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 wondering, “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 other people mocked and said, “These men are full with new wine.”

Then PETER stood-up with the eleven disciples, 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 said, ‘God says in the last days, I will give My Spirit to all 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 chapter 14.

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

Jesus said, “If anyone loves Me, he will obey My word. My Father will love him. We will come to him and live with him. A person who doesn’t love Me will not obey My words. The word I teach you isn’t My word. That is My Father’s word; He sent Me.

These things I tell you while I am here with you. The Father will send the Helper, the Holy Spirit, in My name. The Holy Spirit will teach you all things, and He will make you remember everything I said.

I give you peace. That is My peace, not the world’s peace. Don’t let your heart feel trouble or fear. You heard Me say, ‘I am leaving, and I will come again to you.’ If you love Me, you will be happy, because I am going to the Father. The Father is greater than I. I tell you now before that happens. Then when that happens, you can believe.

I will not speak much more with you. The ruler in this world is coming. He can’t control Me. I do the same-as the Father commands. Then the world will know that I love the Father. Let us leave now.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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