SUNDAY MORNING -- Pentecost 05-23-2021

Pre-service Psalter 424:1, 2** Silent Congregational Prayer Votum and Salutation Psalter 287: All** Reading of the Law: Exodus 20:1-20 Response to the Law: Psalter 2:1, 2** Scripture Reading: Acts 2:1-21 Congregational Prayer Giving our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 241:1, 2, 4, 7** *Text: Acts* 2:1-4 The Spirit Poured out by the Exalted Christ 1. Its timing 2. Its manner 3. Its symbolism 4. Its fruit Prayer Giving our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 255:1-3** Doxology: "Praise God..." ** Benediction ** Please stand if enabled *** Please do so when you exit

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

1.* What did the Jews celebrate on the day of Pentecost—50 days after the Passover?

- 2. What connection is there between the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the finished work of the Lord Jesus Christ?
- 3. What connection is there between the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the praying of the 120 in the Upper Room?
- 4.* Why did the Holy Spirit come in the manner of a mighty rushing wind?
- 5. What was symbolized by the tongues of fire?
- 6. Why is each true conversion a mini-Pentecost?
- 7. What connection is there between Genesis 12:3 and the speaking in other tongues (= languages)?
- 8. What can we learn from the fact that Peter's Pentecost sermon was about Christ rather than the Holy Spirit?

Question for Self-reflection

1. Has your life been transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit?

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Pre-service Psalter 426:1, 7** Silent Congregational Prayer Votum and Salutation Psalter 49: All** Scripture Reading: Acts 2:22-42 Canons of Dort, Head I, Art. 15 (p. 100) **Congregational Prayer** Giving our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 15: All** Text: Acts 2:38-39 Peter's Covenantal Teaching **Concerning Baptism 1.** In connection with the Spirit's ministry 2. In obedience to Christ's commission 3. In conformity to the Scriptures Prayer Giving our offerings to the Lord's service*** Psalter 393: All** Doxology: "May the grace...." ** Benediction ** Please stand if enabled *** Please do so when you exit

- 1. Why is it significant that Christ commanded the apostles to baptize the families (nations) of the earth?
- 2. What can we learn from the fact that Peter's entire sermon was based on the Old Testament Scriptures?
- 3.* What does it mean that the Holy Spirit pricked people in their hearts? What happened to those hearts?
- 4. How did Peter obey His Master's command when the people cried out, "Men and brethren, what must we do?"
- 5. Why is it important that the first administration of baptism happened on the day the Holy Spirit was poured out?

6. How did Peter demonstrate that he understood the vital connection between baptism and the covenant God made with Abraham?

- 7.* What is the amazing resemblance between Genesis 17:7 & Acts 2:39?
- 8. Why did circumcised Jews have to be baptized?

Question for Self-reflection?

1. How can the sacrament of baptism be a great encouragement to you?

*Questions for children