

What Does This Mean?

Pentecost Eve & Sunday

June 3 & 4, 2017

Ebenezer Lutheran Church – Port Hudson The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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AS WE GATHER: What does this mean?" This question might sound familiar to anyone who has spent time studying Luther's Small Catechism. As the catechism covers each of the Six Chief Parts, the question is asked again and again: "What does this mean?" And then explanation follows. This same question was asked by many in the crowd on the Day of Pentecost, as recorded in Acts 2. As the people hear and see these miraculous events, they are amazed and perplexed, asking one another, "What does this mean?" In the verses that follow, Peter gives explanation from the Old Testament. He proclaims that God has fulfilled His promise to "pour out His Spirit on all flesh." The gift of the Holy Spirit has been given for all nations. As you celebrate the Day of Pentecost today, reflect on these events by asking yourself, "What does this mean—for me?"

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: O God, You poured out Your Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, that Your mighty works might be proclaimed. Pour out Your Spirit today through Word and Sacrament, that Your name might be glorified in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

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HYMNS: 166, 165, 163, 160, 161

OUR MISSION AND MINISTRY

We welcome our members and guests who are here with us today. May the Lord refresh you with peace and love during our worship service on this Day of Pentecost. Please join us here at Ebenezer again soon! Please sign the guest register near the front entrance with your name, address and Church affiliation. Thank you!

We rejoice with **Daniel Kohn and Katelyn Riechers** who were married here at Ebenezer yesterday (Saturday). We wish them God's Blessings on their marriage.

In Our Prayers – We continue to pray for Ashley Compton, the daughter of Lloyd and Karen Kassebaum as she has had cancer surgery. We give thanks that it had not spread to other parts of the body. We continue to pray for her recovery and that all the cancer was removed. We also pray for Christina Anderson, who is taking treatments for stage four cancer.

Picnic Information – Once again this year we will have a Cake Walk and Turtle Race and Children's games at our annual picnic. We would certainly appreciate donations of cakes, brownies or cookies for the Cake Walk. Don't forget to collect "fast turtles" for the Turtle Race. For more information, please contact Judy Hubenthal.

T-Shirts - We still have Thrivent T-Shirts in the basement here. Please pick one up to wear to our picnic on June 11th.

Picnic Assignment Sheets – We will be handing out your Picnic Assignment Sheets after our service this morning at the back of Church. Please be sure to take yours along with you. We need all your help!

Ladies Aid Country Store – The Ladies Aid of Ebenezer will have a country store at our annual picnic on June 11th. Donations of baked goods, crafts, produce, and plants would be greatly appreciated. Our ladies support many missions of our church (Missionaries Robin McCoy and Robert Hilbert Family, Lutheran Hour, Lutheran Bible Translators, etc.) This fund raiser will help to continue our support of these missions.

Picnic Silent Auction – If you would like to donate any items, please bring them to the old basement, clearly marked with your name and value of the item. All donations will be appreciated. Please have them at the Church basement no later than this coming Wednesday, June 7th. If you have any questions, please give Karen Sprick a call.

Those Serving Today

Organist Saturday Organist Sunday Head Usher Saturday Usher Sunday Altar Guild

Acolytes

Bell Ringer

Laura Nichols
Jenny Huellinghoff
Tracey BadeHead
Wilbert Baumann
Barb Gilbert and Mary
Adams

Confirmation Class

Corey Adams

Offerings and Attendance Ascension Day Services May 25, 2017

Ascension Contributions	\$50.00
Weekly Contributions	20.00
Biblesticks	<u>109.00</u>
	\$179.00

Attendance: Morning Worship 5 Evening Worship 45

Offerings and Attendance May 27 & 28, 2017

Weekly Contributions	\$754.00
Plate	194.88
Sunday School	12.03
Ascension Contributions	35.00
Biblesticks Collection	<u>99.00</u>
	\$1,094.91

Attendance: Saturday Worship 7 Sunday Worship 65

Sunday School Attendance: Children 2

Adults 15

This Week at Ebenezer

Tuesday Elders' Meeting 7:00 PM
Thursday Picnic Set Up Day
Saturday Worship 5:00 PM

Vacation Bible School - 2017

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Mighty Fortress - In Jesus, the Victory is Won!

July 24 - 28, 2017

9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 3 through Grade 8

Closing Program July 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.