

**Baptism Sunday**  
**Acts 2**  
**May 19, 2024**

**Sermon Points:**

- 1. Baptisms are a sacrament.**
  - A. They are a Means of Grace.
  - B. It strengthens the church and strengthens our faith.
- 2. Today is Pentecost Sunday!**
  - A. Considered to be the birthday of the Church.
  - B. Some churches require speaking in tongues to have the Holy Spirit dwell within (read Acts 2:4).
- 3. Baptism is a declaration of war.**
  - A. *“Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”* (Acts 2:38-39).
- 4. Baptism is an outward expression of an inward reality.**
  - A. Genuine baptism requires confession; a repentance of sin and claiming of the blood of Christ.
  - B. (Ephesians 6:10-18)

