

Pentecost Sunday



"Pentecost"
by Jennifer Allison

May 28, 2023

Followers of Jesus, sharing God's love with all...
an adventure for life!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

In Preparation for Worship

- Within the sanctuary please remember that some people use this time of silence to prepare for worship.
- Whenever the cross is carried in procession through the congregation, we turn to face the cross to signify our way of life as followers of Jesus.
- Large-print bulletins and copies of the worship order are available; ask an usher for assistance.
- Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.
- Please silence your cell phone.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Please be respectful of people who use this time to prepare for worship.

Prelude *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*, arr. Lloyd Larson

Welcome



Hymn

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen - te -
 2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
 3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
 4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's

cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
 pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
 leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
 rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,

past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
 let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
 for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
 may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;

there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
 kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
 make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
 claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

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 Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873-1932
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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the friendship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise

Refrain

Congregation:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free - dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
er more!

Verse 1:

Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit - ed us to be one great
peo - ple of God. *To refrain*

Verse 2

Congregation or Congregation 2:

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ

To refrain

for ev - er.

Verse 3

Congregation:

3. For God has come to dwell with us,

to make us peo - ple of God; to make

To refrain

all things new.

Please be seated

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Reading

Acts 2:1-21 (The Message, inclusivized)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When the Feast of Pentecost came, the disciples were all together in one place. Without warning there was a sound like a strong wind, gale force—no one could tell where it came from. It filled the whole building. Then, like a wildfire, the Holy Spirit spread through their ranks, and they started speaking in a number of different languages as the Spirit prompted them.

There were many Jews staying in Jerusalem just then, devout pilgrims from all over the world. When they heard the sound, they came on the run. Then when they heard, one after another, their own mother tongues being spoken, they were blown away. They couldn't for the life of them figure out what was going on, and kept saying, "Aren't these all Galileans? How come we're hearing them talk in our various mother tongues?"

Parthians, Medes, and Elamites;

Visitors from Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia,

Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia,

Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene;

immigrants from Rome, both Jews and proselytes;

even Cretans and Arabs!

"They're speaking our languages, describing God's mighty works!"

Their heads were spinning; they couldn't make head or tail of any of it.

They talked back and forth, confused: "What's going on here?"

Others joked, “They’re drunk on cheap wine.”

That’s when Peter stood up and, backed by the other eleven, spoke out with bold urgency: “My Jewish friends, all of you who are visiting Jerusalem, listen carefully and get this story straight. These people aren’t drunk as some of you suspect. They haven’t had time to get drunk—it’s only nine o’clock in the morning. This is what the prophet Joel announced would happen:

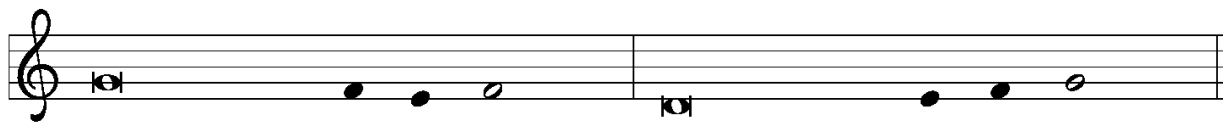
*“In the Last Days,” God says,
“I will pour out my Spirit on every kind of people:
All your children will prophesy;
your young will see visions, your old dream dreams.
When the time comes, I’ll pour out my Spirit
on all people who serve me, and they’ll prophesy.
I’ll set wonders in the sky above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billowing smoke,
the sun turning black and the moon blood-red,
before the Day of the Lord arrives,
the Day tremendous and marvelous;
and whoever calls out for help to me, God, will be saved.”*

May we listen for what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Amen.



Psalm 104:24-30, 35b



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How manifold are your ^l works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full ^l of your creatures.

Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too man-^l y to number,

living things both ^l small and great.

There go the ships ^l to and fro,

and Leviathan, which you made for the ^l sport of it.

All of them ^l look to you

to give them their food ^l in due season.

You give it to them; they ^l gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled ^l with good things.

When you hide your face, ^l they are terrified;

when you take away their breath, they die and return ^l to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they ^l are created;

and so you renew the face ^l of the earth.

May the glory of the LORD en-^l dure forever;

O LORD, rejoice in ^l all your works.

You look at the earth ^l and it trembles;

you touch the mountains ^l and they smoke.

I will sing to the LORD as long ^l as I live;

I will praise my God while I ^l have my being.

May these words of ^l mine please God.

I will rejoice ^l in the LORD.

Bless the LORD, ^l O my soul.

Hal-^l lelujah!

Please stand in body or spirit

Gospel Acclamation

Congregation:

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we
go? You have the words of e - ter - nal
life. Al - le - lu - ia! *Repeat optional*

Gospel **John 20:19-23** (The Message, inclusivized)
The Holy Gospel according to St. John **Glory to you, O Lord.**

On the evening of [the day Jesus rose from the dead,] the disciples had gathered together, but, fearful of the religious authorities, had locked all the doors in the house where they had met. Jesus entered, stood among them, and said, "Peace to you." Then he showed them his hands and side.

The disciples, seeing the Master with their own eyes, were awestruck. Jesus repeated his greeting: "Peace to you. Just as my Abba sent me, I send you."

Then he took a deep breath and breathed into them. "Receive the Holy Spirit," he said. "If you forgive someone's sins, they're gone for good. If you don't forgive sins, what are you going to do with them?"

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

Message

WAKE-UP CALL

Musical Reflection

As the Wind Song

Shirley Erena Murray
Senior Choir

As the wind song through the trees,
as the stirring of the breeze,
so it is with the Spirit of God,
as the heart made strangely warm,
as the voice within the storm,
so it is with the Spirit of God.

Never seen, ever known where this wind has blown
bringing life, bringing pow'r to the world,
as the dancing tongues of fire,
as the soul's most deep desire,
so it is with the Spirit of God.

As the rainbow after rain,
as the hope that's born again,
so it is with the Spirit of God,
as the green in the spring,
as a kite on a string,
so it is with the Spirit of God,
making worlds that are new,
making peace come true,
bringing gifts, bringing love to the world,
as the rising of the yeast,
as the wine at the feast,
so it is with the Spirit of God.

Apostles' Creed

Let us confess our faith in the Triune God as expressed in these historic words:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Community Prayers

Let us pray....

Amen.

Included in our daily prayers are those with special needs or concerns:

Bebe McCoy, Robin Stokes, Bonnie Hegreness, Heidi Carman, Mary Kennedy, Kevin Bailey's sister Kleta Childs, Kathie and Nancy Ehrich and their sister Betty Weaver, Jeremy Davis, Bebe McCoy's brother-in-law Walt and her sister Jan, Brittany Parsons, Mary Bowling's sister Val, John Kennedy's niece Michele Wolfe, Becky Trover's sister Maddie Sutphin, Skye Andree, Laura Warren's brother Walt Hudson, Julie Larson and husband Eli who is receiving cancer treatment in Houston, Phillip Hall and Kirstin Roberts, John Caron, Kathleen Zwanziger, Wendy Stoica, Matt Bird, Hitoshi Phillips, Robert Ward, Earl and Edwina Bradley's niece Tina Monroe

The people of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Columbus; Redeemer community members Dierdre, Bret, Jessie, Bob, and Lauren Jimison

Time with the Young People

Sharing the peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We take time to greet one another with words like Peace be with you.


WE SHARE HOLY COMMUNION

Jesus invited all who were hungry for food, healing, justice, and joy to share this communion meal.

Since this is his meal, and he is present to us in it, all are welcome.

In body or spirit, please stand

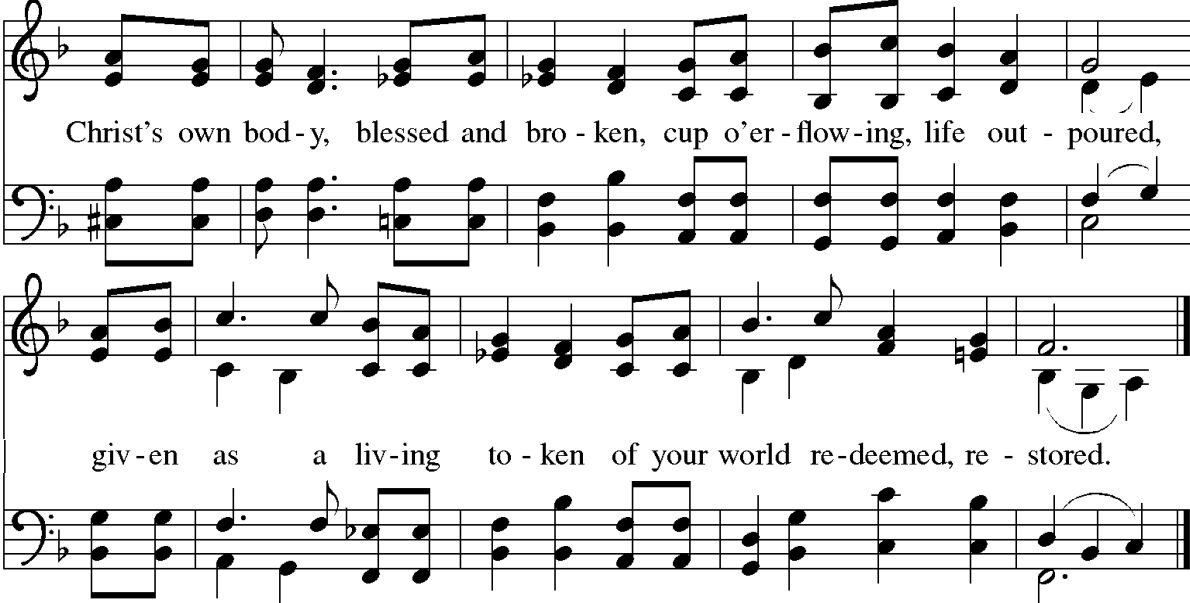
Offertory By Your Hand You Feed Your People



1 By your hand you feed your peo - ple, food of an - gels, heav-en's bread.

For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed:

Refrain



Christ's own bod-y, blessed and bro - ken, cup o'er - flow - ing, life out - poured,

giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your world re - deemed, re - stored.

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Music: CAMROSE, Marty Haugen, b. 1950
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Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And also with you.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

In the beginning, the Spirit brooded time into being, so that God could give form to the world. At the Incarnation, the Spirit breathed God's time into being, so that the world could receive the Word. Through Pentecost, the Spirit brought transformed time into being, so that the Word could meet us everywhere.

Holy God, your Christ sends the Spirit to be a companion to all who follow your Way. As inheritors of both the challenge and the comfort of your Way, we join with all who have made this journey in other places and at other times, raising our voices in this timeless song of praise:

Congregation:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the
One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

Entering these gifts of bread and wine, the Spirit blesses this time, and makes Christ alive in this meal to comfort, challenge, and transform us. Here at this table, through the power of the Spirit, God's time and our time come together in bread and wine, a place of timeless and timely grace.

We recall how Jesus, drawing near to the end of his time on earth, ate a last meal with his friends. We remember how his words and actions disturbed and dismayed them; but also how he offered them comfort and encouragement for the time to come. We remember that he took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to his friends saying, "Take this and eat. This is my body broken for you. Do this to remember me." And after supper he took a cup, and gave it to them, saying, "This cup is the new covenant, sealed in my blood. It is shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me."

Hear us now as, at this time, we commit ourselves to your Way, and pray the prayer Jesus taught us:

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

As we share these gifts of grace, may the Holy Spirit take and transform them that we may know both their comfort and their challenge, and so transform ourselves and our time. Here is bread and wine – touched and transformed by the Spirit. Come, eat and drink, and be healed and strengthened for this time and for time to come.

Sharing the Meal

The gifts of God, for the people of God. Jesus welcomed all to this meal. So do we.

Please be seated

You may come forward to receive the elements, remain seated and use the pre-filled communion cups available at the door, or let an usher know you'd like to be served in your seat. Wine is in the outer rings of the tray, grape-apple juice in the inner ring. Gluten-free wafers are available on request, ask Pastor.

Hymn

Spirit of Gentleness

Refrain



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



Refrain

“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

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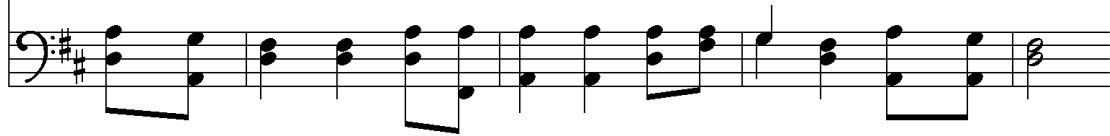
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Hymn

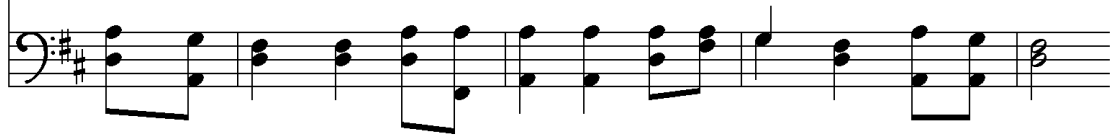
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
 3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end - less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good - ness prove.
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.



Text: Robert Robinson, 1735-1790, alt.
 Music: NETTLETON, J. Wyeth, *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

Please stand in body or spirit

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Spirit, continue to form and nurture us as we grow in following you. Spirit,

As you led Jesus into the wilderness, stir us out of ease and safety as we follow the way of Christ. As you transformed the disciples, grace and gift us for the task of building the beloved community Christ lived, died, and rose for. Continue to comfort and discomfort us until justice prevails, peace reigns, and love directs all.

Amen.



WE ARE SENT

Hymn

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in This Place

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of six systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place,
and I know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord;
there are sweet ex - pres - sions on each face,
and I know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.

Refrain

Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav - en - ly Dove,
stay right here with us, fill - ing us with your love;
and for these bless - ings we lift our hearts in praise;
with - out a doubt we'll know that we have
been re - vived when we shall leave this place.

Text: Doris Akers, b. 1922
Music: SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT, Doris Akers, b. 1922
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Blessing

Amen.


Announcements

Postlude

I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing,
arranged by Mark Hayes

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Adult Education
May 28




In honor of Pentecost Sunday, the 11:15 adult education class will look at a brief history of how the Christian Church has explored and experienced the Holy Spirit, and discuss our own explorations and experiences!

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Birthdays this week:
29 - Barbara Willmann
1 - Rachel Day
3 - John Eyster
3 - Malcolm Highland
3 - Rob Skoog



Ecclesiastes
Bible Study
Tuesdays - 1:00-2:30 pm
Join us in-person or on ZOOM
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Phone only: 646-876-9923

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Presiding Minister	David Shull, Pastor
Assisting Minister	Michelle Clemence
Cantor	Mary Benis
ASL Interpreter	Bryan Neal
Organist & Senior Choir Director	Kathy Rapp
Pianist & Chime Choir Director	Karen Kent
Usher	Ruth Murray
Verger	Michelle Clemence / Wendy Stoica
Communion Prep	Misato In, Karen Rider
Producers	April Smith, Sue Yehling, Tom Mimplitch
Hospitality	Judith & Ashley Bird

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Noisy Offering will go to the Kindway ministry.*

THIS WEEK AT REDEEMER MAY 28 – JUNE 4

Today	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
	11:15 am	Senior Choir Rehearsal
Monday		Office closed for Memorial Day holiday
Tuesday	1:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Bible Study
Wednesday	7:00 pm	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Worship Team
Saturday	9:00-4:30	Southern Ohio Synod Assembly
Next Sunday	8:45 am	Chime Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	IN-PERSON and LIVESTREAM Worship with Holy Communion
	11:15 am	IN-PERSON and ZOOM Adult Education
	12:30 pm	Confirmation class at Wendy Stoica's home

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