



**Morning Worship
10:00 AM
May 24, 2026
Pentecost**

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

RINGING OF THE BELLS

GREETING

Leader: The Lord Be with You.

People: And Also with You.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

SONG OF GATHERING (Sung twice)

692 Spirit, Open My Heart

Capo 3: (D) (G) (D) (G) (A7)
F B^b F B^b C7

Refrain

Spir - it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of

(Bm) (D/A) (G) (A7) (Bm) (D/A) (Em)
Dm F/C B^b C7 Dm F/C Gm

liv - ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing

(D) (G) (Em7) (D) (G) (D)
F B^b Gm7 F B^b F

and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.

MOVING FROM GETTING HERE TO BEING HERE

PRELUDE

“Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself.”

--Leo Tolstoy

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:1-13

1 When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. 2 Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. 4 They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak. 5 There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. 7 They were surprised and amazed, saying, “Look, aren’t all the people who are speaking Burqueños, every one of them? 8 How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language? 9 Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; as well as residents of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the regions of Libya bordering Cyrene; and visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), 11 Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the mighty works of God in our own languages!” 12 They were all surprised and bewildered.

Some asked each other, “What does this mean?” 13 Others jeered at them, saying, “They’re full of new wine!”

✠HYMN

291 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Spirit

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
 2 You swept through the des - ert; you stung with the
 3 You sang in a sta - ble; you cried from a
 4 You call from to - mor - row; you break an - cient

deep; then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the
 sand; and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a
 hill; then you whis - pered in si - lence when the
 schemes; from the bond - age of sor - row the
 val - leys of sleep; and o - ver the e -
 law and a land. When they were con - found -
 whole world was still. And down in the cit -
 cap - tives dream dreams. Our wom - en see vi -

ons you called to each thing, "A -
 ed with i - dols and lies, then you
 y, you called once a - gain when you
 sions; our men clear their eyes. With

wake from your slum - bers and
 spoke through your proph - ets to
 blew through your peo - ple on the
 bold new de - ci - sions your

rise on your wings."
 o - pen their eyes.
 rush of the wind.
 peo - ple a - rise.

✦ CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Leader: When our lives remain hidden, when our hearts are shuttered, when our souls are filled with fear because of all we have done and said, God comes, breathing new life, blowing away our failings, restoring us to new hope. Please join me, as we pray together, saying,

✦ PRAYER OF CONFESSION*

Spirit of Pentecost, would that all might tell of your wonders in our lives, your overflowing grace – but we are too busy complaining. Would that we might share the Spirit which has transformed our lives, but we bottle it up, hoping to sell it on the internet. Would that we might let go of all the envy we have about others, but we let it erode our souls day by day.

Forgive us and pour your mercy into the closed rooms of our hearts. Breathe your peace upon us, that we might be healers of brokenness. Breathe your hope upon us, that we might open ourselves to the lonely. Breathe your love into us, that we might be as generous and welcoming as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

✦ ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Leader: Listen! This is the good news spoken long ago, yet brought fresh to us by the Holy Spirit. God forgives us and fills us with all things new.

People: **God gives us new hope, new joy, new life – this day and in all the days to come. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

✦ RESPONSE OF JOY #582

The musical score is written in 12/8 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "I Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me, and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men." The chords are: Bb, F, Bb, F, Bb, F, Gm, F, F, Bb, Eb, Bb, Gm7, C7, C7, F, A, Dm, Dm7, F, Ddim7, Gm7, Fm, C7, F.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Leader: Without your Spirit, O God, the words that we now read are dead letters. Without your Spirit, O God our hearts are dead as well. Come to us Spirit of God, that your Word and our hearts are raised to life at your coming.

People: Amen

SCRIPTURE READING (CEB)

Numbers 11:24-29

So Moses went out and told the people the LORD's words. He assembled seventy men from the people's elders and placed them around the tent. The LORD descended in a cloud, spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and placed it on the seventy elders. When the spirit rested on them, they prophesied, but only this once. Two men had remained in the camp, one named Eldad and the second named Medad, and the spirit rested on them. They were among those registered, but they hadn't gone out to the tent, so they prophesied in the camp. A young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." Joshua, Nun's son and Moses' assistant since his youth, responded, "My master Moses, stop them!" Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? If only all the LORD's people were prophets with the LORD placing his spirit on them!"

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to you and to the church.

People: Thanks be to God!

MUSICAL OFFERING

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

Jeff Jolly

MOMENTS WITH THE CHILDREN

Vanna Ortiz

(Children K-5 are then invited to accompany the leader to Children's Chapel)

SERMON

"If Only..."

Seth Finch

JOYS AND CONCERNS** *(A Silence)*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Paul Powell

THE LORD'S PRAYER (New Zealand Prayer Book)

Eternal Spirit, Earth-Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all. Loving God, in whom is heaven. The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the earth! Your heavenly

will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

OFFERING

♠ RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING #398

How ver-y good and pleas-ant when we live in u-ni-ty. It is
 like pre-cious oil, like fresh morn-ing dew. We
 gath-er here to-geth-er with our hearts and voic-es raised to
 God, who's the cen-ter of our u-ni-ty and praise!

Chords: F, B^b, F, C7, B^b7, F, F, B^b, A, Dm, B^b, F, C7, F

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

292 As the Wind Song

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C G

1 As the wind song through the trees, as the
2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the

C/G G Em Bm

stir - ring of the breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of
hope that's born a - gain, so it is with the Spir - it of

Am D Em Em/D

God, as the heart made strange-ly warm, as the
God, as the green in the spring, as a

C G/B Am7 D

voice with - in the storm, so it is with the Spir - it of
kite on a string, so it is with the Spir - it of

G Em Bm C

God. Nev - er seen, ev - er known where this wind has
God, mak - ing worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come

G Em Bm Am D

blown bring - ing life, bring - ing power to the world,
true, bring - ing gifts, bring - ing love to the world,

Em Em/D C

as the danc - ing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de -
as the ris - ing of the yeast, as the wine at the

G/B Am7 D G

sire, so it is with the Spir - it of God.
feast, so it is with the Spir - it of God.

✦ **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

John Rutter

Prayer of St. Patrick
Adult Choir

✦ **POSTLUDE**

✦ **THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND**

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