

Sunday, May 31, 2020

Pentecost Sunday



Prelude *Come, God Creator, Holy Ghost*
Velda Graham Bell, organ

J.S. Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Call to Worship

Members of First, Hillside and Hope UMCs

“And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? In our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.”

Gathering Hymn *O Spirit of the Living God*

UM Hymnal #539

1. *O Spirit of the living God,
thou light and fire divine,
descend upon thy church once more,
and make it truly thine.*

*Fill it with love and joy and power,
with righteousness and peace;
till Christ shall dwell in human hearts,
and sin and sorrow cease.*

2. *Blow, wind of God! With wisdom blow
until our minds are free
from mists of error, clouds of doubt,
which blind our eyes to thee.*

*Burn, winged fire! Inspire our lips
with flaming love and zeal,
to preach to all thy great good news,
God’s glorious commonweal.*

3. *Teach us to utter living words
of truth which all may hear,
the language all may understand
when love speaks loud and clear;
till every age and race and clime
shall blend their creeds in one,
and earth shall form one family
by whom thy will is done.*

4. *So shall we know the power of Christ
who came this world to save;
so shall we rise with him to life
which soars beyond the grave;
and earth shall win true holiness,
which makes thy children whole;
till, perfected by thee, we reach
creation’s glorious goal!*

Morning Prayer

Prayers of Joy and Concern

Rev. MaryAnne Korsch

Jesus' Prayer

Loving God, Sacred One, Blessed be your name. May your kingdom come, your dream arrive, your purpose prevail, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us the wrong we have done, as we forgive those who have wronged us. Help us steer clear of temptation, and protect us from evil. We trust you in this, for the kingdom, its power and its beauty, are yours forever. Amen.

Anthem

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Mary Whitlock, soprano

James Manley

Children's Message

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Scripture Reading

Julie and Holland Venhuizen

Portions of Acts 2:1-21 The Story of Pentecost

- One: When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.
- All: **Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.**
- One: Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound, the crowd gathered and was bewildered because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? In our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."
- All: **All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."**
- One: But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "This is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy and your young men shall see visions and your old men shall dream dreams...'
- All: **Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."**

Hymn *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

UM Hymnal #420

1. *Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.*

2. *Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will,
to do and to endure.*

3. *Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
till all this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.*

4. *Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.*

Reflections and Stories of the Spirit's Presence

Pastor Sarah Horsfield, Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon, Kelby Werner

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Offertory *The Garden*

Kari Jobe

Liz Raihala, piano

Hymn *Spirit of God*

The Faith We Sing #2117, v. 1, 3, 5

1. *Spirit of God, bright Wind,
breath that bids life begin,
blow as you always do;
create us anew.
Give us the breath to sing,
lifted on soaring wing,
held in your hands,
borne on your wings.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!*

3. *Spirit of God, bright Hands,
even in far-off lands
you hold all the human race
in one warm embrace.
No matter where we go,
you hold us together so,
held in your hands,
borne on your wings.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!*

5. *Spirit of God in all,
we gladly hear your call,
the life in our hands that sings,
the power of your wings.
Born of your grace we rise,
love shining in our eyes,
held in your hands,
borne on your wings.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!*

Words for Going Forth

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon, Pastor Sarah Horsfield, Kelby Werner

Postlude *Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire*

arr. Wilbur Held

Velda Graham Bell, organ

Today FUMC says goodbye to Jana Picotte. For the past three years, Jana has worked in the church office and been a member of our children's ministry team but now is moving home to the Twin Cities. Please keep watching after the Postlude to see the farewell video she made.

Thank you to Michael Goodlet, MaryAnne Korsch and Velda Graham Bell for leading hymns today.

Thank you to Bill Alexander for recording, compiling, editing and distributing the videos to create our online worship service.

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Next Sunday we will have holy communion, so please have ready a piece of bread (or some kind of food) and juice (or some kind of drink) so you can fully participate.

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