

May 23, 2021

Pentecost Sunday

10:00 am

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

*Call to Worship

(Acts 2, John 15–16)

Leader: With tongues of flame, the Holy Spirit descends
to burn in our hearts anew.

People: Unite us, Holy Spirit!

Leader: Like the rush of wind, we sense God's presence
blowing afresh throughout the world.

People: Unite us, Holy Spirit!

Leader: Across the barriers of language and culture,
Christ's message of love and grace is heard.

People: Unite us, Holy Spirit!

Leader: Divine Advocate, we seek your guidance
as we search for the Spirit of Truth.

All: Unite us, Holy Spirit! In Jesus' name, Amen.

*Hymn of Praise *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* Celebration Hymnal No. 391

*Prayer of Invocation

Gracious God, as we stand in your holy place
we feel your bright Spirit surge within us.

We are on fire with the knowledge that we may be your witness to the world.

Help us speak in languages that others will understand.

Ignite within us

a need to share the abundance of our lives.

We lay before you our gifts of faith, hope, and love.

We pledge to give more of our time,
more of our hearts,

and more of our material possessions,
that we may serve your greater good.

In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

Scripture Readings:

Acts 2:1–8 (ESV)

Acts 2:38–41 (ESV)

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

World without end. Amen, Amen.

Sermon

What's Your Pentecost?

Brian Sampson

Hymn of Reflection

Spirit Song

Celebration Hymnal No.384

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts,

as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power

and the glory forever. Amen.

*Hymn of Going Forth

Celebration Hymnal No. 761

Therefore The Redeemed of the Lord

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Make Us One

Make us one Lord, make us one

Holy Spirit, make us one

Let our love flow, so the world will know

We are one in you; we are one in you.

Postlude

*We invite you to stand if you are able.

Scripture Readings

Acts 2:1–8 (ESV)

- 1** When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.
- 2** And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.
- 3** And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them.
- 4** And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.
- 5** Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven.
- 6** And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language.
- 7** And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?”
- 8** And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?

Acts 2:38–41 (ESV)

- 38** And Peter said to them, “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.
- 39** For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”
- 40** And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.”
- 41** So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

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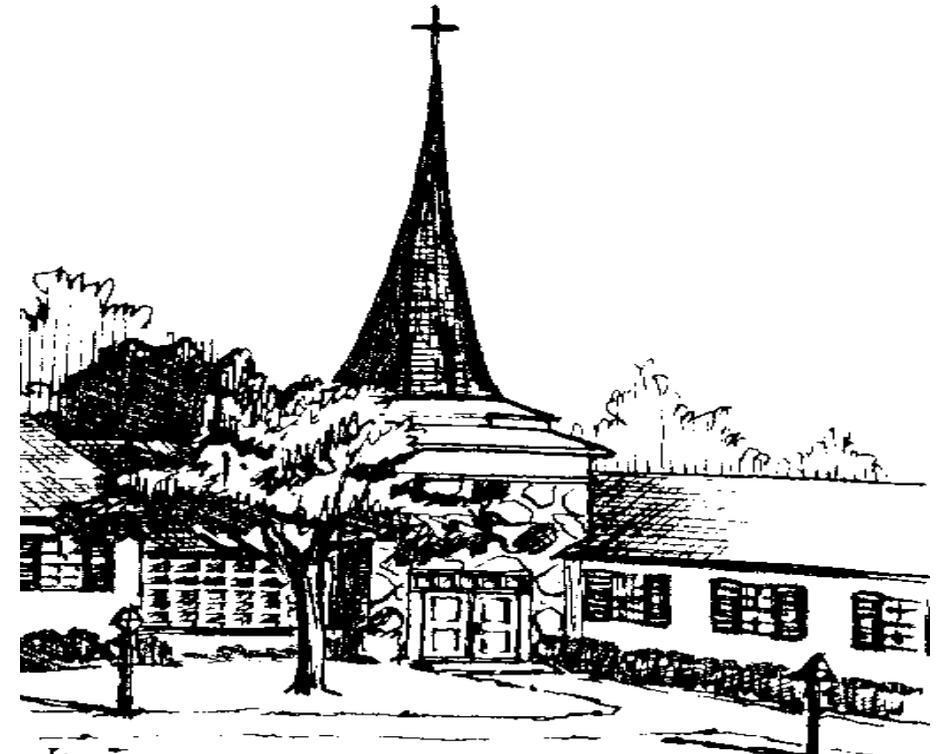
The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Church Covenant

We are banded together as a Christian Church to maintain the worship of God the Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer; to proclaim the gospel of Christ, to develop in ourselves and others a consciousness of our relationship and duties to God and each other; to create a spirit of love for truth, a passion for righteousness and enthusiasm for service; to respect and protect all of God's creation. To this end we pledge our loyalty to Christ and covenant with God and with each other to strive to express God's spirit in our individual and corporate life; to live together as Christians and to submit ourselves to the government of this church, working, giving, praying for its increase, purity and peace, seeking in every way to make it a power for the building up of the Kingdom of God.

WELCOME!



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