

Park Presbyterian Church | Celebration of Pentecost | May 31, 2020

Prelude

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Welcome & Announcements

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Song of Praise **“Spirit of the Living God”**

Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me;
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.

Prayer of Praise

Ginny Flick

Hymn: **“Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow”**

Wind who makes all winds that blow—
gusts that bend the saplings low,
gales that heave the sea in waves,
stirrings in the mind's deep caves—
aim your breath with steady power
on your church, this day, this hour.
Raise, renew the life we've lost,
Spirit God of Pentecost.

Holy Spirit, Wind and Flame,
move within our mortal frame.
Make our hearts an altar pyre.
Kindle them with your own fire.
Breathe and blow upon that blaze
till our lives, our deeds, and ways
speak that tongue which every land
by your grace shall understand.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Without your power, O God, we are lost. We have done things we should avoid, and what you desire, we have not done.
By your purifying fire transform our lives; guide us into honesty and compassion so that filled with your peace our dreams and visions may become one with yours; through the undeserved, and often astounding, brushes of your Spirit...
Silence is kept...

Assurance of Forgiveness (responsively)

God's Spirit prays with us and for us; God's hope strengthens us in times of weakness; God's grace heals our brokenness. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Response **“Gloria Patri”**

Greeting One Another with the Peace of Christ

Song of Illumination: **“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks”**

REFRAIN:
Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation. [*Refrain*]
Spread the good news o'er all the earth.
Jesus has died and has risen. [*Refrain*]

The Scripture Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

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. 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.

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?

Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?'

But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning.

No, 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.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Children's Chat

Special Music

Sermon: "Spirit Struck"

An Affirmation of Faith from A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn: "On Pentecost They Gathered"

On Pentecost they gathered quite early in the day,
A band of Christ's disciples, to worship, sing and pray
A mighty wind came blowing, filled all the swirling air,
And the tongues of fire a-glowing inspired each person there.

O Spirit, sent from heaven, on that day long ago
Rekindle faith among us in all life's ebb and flow.
O give us ears to listen and tongues aflame with praise,
So folk of every nation glad songs of joy shall raise.

An Invitation to Our Offering

Prayers of the People and 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: "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

*REFRAIN:
Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.*

Jordan river, chilly and cold,
It chills the body but not the soul.
There is but one train upon this track;
It runs to heaven and then right back. (Refrain)

Upon the mountain, when my Lord spoke,
Out of God's mouth came fire and smoke.
Looked all around me, it looked so fine,
Till I asked my Lord if all was mine. (Refrain)

Charge & Benediction

Postlude