

Pentecost Sunday

May 31, 2020

## INVITATION AND GATHERING

WELCOME (Pastor)

### CENTERING WORDS

There is no fear the Holy Spirit cannot overcome.  
There is no door the Spirit of grace cannot breach.  
This is good news indeed.

### INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD (Natalia Lopez)

These are holy words- words that reveal God's love, words that inspire our hope, and words that bring us joy. Listen for signs of love, hope, and joy in the reading of God's holy word.

\***SCRIPTURE READING** **Luke 24:49**

\* **OPENING HYMN:** .....**Spirit of God Rain Down**  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ux3FbiWGFRY>

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP (Jeremy Flint and Family)**

Kate: With rushing wind and holy fire...

**Family: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Kate: With tongues of flame and hopes rekindled...

**Family: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Kate: With visions birthed and dreams restored...

**Family: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Kate: With spacious grace and depth untold...

**Family: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Kate: With rushing wind and holy fire...

**Family: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

\* **Let us pray (Jeremy Flint and Family):**

Spirit of Pentecost, blow open the doors of our shut-up hearts. Set our tongues free to proclaim your praise. Blow into our lives, once more, Holy

One, and help us find the strength and courage to become the people you call us to be. Amen.

\* **LET'S WORSHIP THE LORD WITH HYMNS:**

**Breath on Me, Breath of God**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ph-t8P2r\\_I](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ph-t8P2r_I)

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

\***PRAYER OF YEARNING (Lisa Schutt)**

Spirit of wind and flame, blow open the doors we erect to keep ourselves sealed off from your world. We long to be set free from the fears that jail us and to be released from chains that bind us. We yearn to draw near to your source of living water, and to drink deeply from its well.

We want to be cleansed in your holy fire, and to be driven into the streets by your winds of grace.

Come to us, and heal us once more, Mighty Spirit, that we may embrace your gifts in service to a world in need. Amen.

\* **LET'S WORSHIP THE LORD WITH HYMNS:**

**Sweet, Sweet Spirit**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CM7Iym4u9QY>

### INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD (Natalia Lopez)

Can a locked door keep the Holy Spirit from releasing us from our fears? Can a quaking spirit keep us from receiving the Spirit's gifts today? Can the Church be born again after two thousand years of inertia and indifference? Does the story of Pentecost have anything to say to us today? Listen for the word of God.

\***SCRIPTURE READING** **Acts 2:1-4 (Natalia Lopez)**

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD MADE FLESH: "It is Pentecost"

\* RESPONSE TO THE WORD: .....Consuming Fire  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UPptwbMXrpo>

CONGREGATION IN PRAYER: Joys and Concerns

\* CLOSING HYMN:

\*DISMISSAL BLESSING

### Today's Scripture Readings:

**Luke 24:49** New King James Version (NKJV)

<sup>49</sup>Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city <sup>[a]</sup>of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."

**Acts 2:1-4** New King James Version (NKJV)

## Coming of the Holy Spirit

**2** When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all <sup>[a]</sup>with one accord in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Then there appeared to them <sup>[b]</sup>divided tongues, as of fire, and *one* sat upon each of them. <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.



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