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ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, June 5th, 2022, 10:00 am

Day of Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Gathering

The lighting of the Outreach, Unity and Christ Candles

Introit: "Spirit of the Living God" VU #376

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, move among us all;
make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:
humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!

Recognition of the Land

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you!

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:

Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with your wind.

Ignite our hearts with joy!

Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with your power.

Fill us with the confidence to faithfully serve.

Come, Holy Spirit! Be with us today.

For Christ has called and blessed us all.

As we open your hearts today, let us worship.

Hymn:

“I Feel the Winds of God”

VU #625

I feel the winds of God today;
today my sail I lift,
though heavy oft with drenching spray
and torn with many a rift;
if hope but light the water's crest,
and Christ my bark will use,
I'll seek the seas at his behest,
and brave another cruise.

It is the wind of God that dries
my vain regretful tears,
until with braver thoughts shall rise
the purer, brighter years;
if cast on shores of selfish ease
or pleasure I should be,
O let me feel your freshening breeze,
and I'll put back to sea.

If ever I forget your love
and how that love was shown,

lift high the blood-red flag above;
it bears your name alone.
Great pilot of my onward way,
you will not let me drift.
I feel the winds of God today;
today my sail I lift.

Opening Prayer

Listening

Blessing of Prayer Shawls

Creator God, source of all inspiration and beauty,
we thank you for the gift of these prayer shawls.
May those touched by these shawls...
know they are a tangible expression of your love.
May those enfolded in these shawls...
feel Your loving embrace.
May those warmed by these shawls...
know the warmth of your care.
May those who receive these shawls...
know that they are receiving the prayers of God's people.
May each person who receives a prayer shawl know...
that they are loved through this gift.
We pray all of this in Jesus' name. Amen

Children's Time / Time for all Ages

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "O Let the Power Fall on Me"

MV #13

O let the power fall on me, My Lord,
Let the power fall on me;
O let the power from heaven fall on me,
Let the power fall on me.

For we want justice and truth and love, my Lord,
We want justice and truth and love;
For we want justice and truth and love, my Lord,
We want justice and truth and love.

Scriptures: Acts 2:1-21 *Spirit comes on the day of Pentecost*
John 14:8-17 *God will send you the Spirit of truth*

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Special Music: Serenade to Spring

Offered by Nancy Handrigan

Message: A Coffee to Go *Rev. Don Sellsted*

Hymn: "Come, O Holy Spirit"

MV #23

Come, O Holy Spirit,
set the Church on fire;
strike it as the lightning
hits a posing spire.
Burn away the structures
and consume the sham
of our holy systems:
Come, in Jesus' name!

Refrain: (x2)

*Come, come, come, in Jesus' name!
Take our hearts by storm.
All the world lies open
Pentecost is now!*

Blow away the cobwebs
of our stubborn past.
Come, send flying from us
myths unfit to last.
Wind of change, refresh us
and disturb our calm;
teach us what true love is,
take our hearts by storm. **R**

Free us from the babble
of our Babel mind;
spark in us a language
all can understand.
Lighten then our darkness,
come and show us how
all the world lies open:
Pentecost is now! **R**

Pentecost is now! Amen!

Celebrating

Prayers of the People

Hymn: "Dance With the Spirit"

MV #156

Dance with the Spirit
Early in the mornin',
Walk with the Spirit
Throughout the long day.
Work and hope for
The new life a-bornin',
Listen to the Spirit
To show you the way.

Commissioning

Benediction

The God of forgiveness bless you,
the grace of Christ keep you,
and the wisdom of the Holy Spirit strengthen you.
Let us go now in peace, to love and to serve.
And the people said ... **AMEN!**