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Worships God in Word and Sacrament at 11:00 a.m.

June 5, 2022

Fiftieth Day of Easter/The Day of Pentecost

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude

Prelude and Fugue in F J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 129

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us Ebenezer

Opening Sentences

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Prayer for the Day (spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the **Amen**.)

Almighty God, at the feast of Pentecost you sent the Holy Spirit to the disciples, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel. Empower us with that same Spirit to witness to your redeeming love and draw all people to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

An Affirmation of Faith for Easter

Heidelberg Catechism, 1563

Pastor: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

Unison: **That I belong, body and soul, in life and in death,**

not to myself, but to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ,

who at the cost of his own blood, has fully paid for all my sins

and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil;

that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven

not a hair can fall from my head.

Indeed, everything must fit his purpose for my salvation.

Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life

and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Pastor: The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Passing of the Peace (Worshippers safely greet one another with the peace of Christ and then sit for the announcements.)

Welcome and Announcements

The children come to the Baptismal Font for a

Time for Young Christians

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Genesis 11:1-9

Psalm 104:24-27,28b-31,33 Unison

O Lord, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the sea, great and wide.

Creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.

There go the ships and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

These all look to you to give them their food in due season.

When you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

When you hide your face, they are dismayed;

when you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust.

When you send forth your spirit, they are created

and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live.

I will sing praise to God while I have being.

Anthem Spirit of God Steve Garnaas-Holmes, 1987

(See bulletin insert for the text.) Soloists: Bob Vawter, Daniel Whitaker

Gospel John 14:8-17, 25-27

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 320 The Lone, Wild Bird Prospect

The congregation sits.

Pentecost Lesson from Acts Acts 2:1-21

Sermon Miracle People Dr. LindaJo McKim

“All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages ...” Acts 2:4

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 316 Breathe on Me, Breath of God Trentham

Nicene Creed Unison; Hymnal, page 15, Ecumenical

Gloria for Easter Season Refrain of Hymn 122 Judas Maccabeus

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son.

Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.

The congregation sits.

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

Offertory Blessed Assurance arr. M. Hayes and D.E. Wagner

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology for Easter Season (to the tune of Hymn 455) Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The congregation sits.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

Come to the table nearest you, take a piece of bread, and consume it safely, away from the bread tray

If you also receive the cup, drink away from the cup tray and place the empty cup in the basket.

Please give the person in front of you adequate time for a reverent Communion.

All Christians are invited to receive the Sacrament.

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion and Benediction

The congregation stands to sing the

Hymn 507 I Come with Joy Dove of Peace

Worshippers are encouraged to be seated for the postlude,

or you may depart the sanctuary quietly and quickly now if necessary.

Postlude Every Time I Feel the Spirit African-American Spiritual

Susan Steppe and Bob Vawter

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church on this Day of Pentecost.

Hymn Texts for Online Worship

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us, Come with Pentecostal power,
Give the church a stronger vision, Help us face each crucial hour.
Built upon a firm foundation, Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,
Still the church is called to mission That God's love shall be made known.

We would raise our alleluias For the grace of yesteryears;
For tomorrow's unknown pathway, Hear, O Lord, our humble prayers,
In the church's pilgrim journey You have led us all the way.
Still in presence move before us, Fire by night and cloud by day.

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; Give us words of fire and flame,
Help our feeble lips to praise You, Glorify Your holy name.
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One: what mystery!
We would sing our loud hosannas Now and through eternity.

Text: Janie Alford, 1979;

Tune: EBENEZER; Thomas John Williams, 1890

The Lone, Wild Bird

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight Is still with Thee nor leaves Thy sight.
And I am Thine! I rest in Thee. Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

The ends of earth are in Thy hand, The sea's dark deep and far off land.
And I am Thine! I rest in Thee. Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

Text: Henry Richard McFadyen, 1925, alt.;

Tune: PROSPECT; As in *Twelve Folksongs and Spirituals*, 1968;

Harm. David N. Johnson, 1968

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

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.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure,
Until with Thee I will one will, To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am wholly Thine,
Until this earthly part of me Glows with Thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life Of Thine eternity.

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.

Text: Edwin Hatch, 1866;

Tune: TRENTHAM; Robert Jackson, 1894

I Come with Joy

I come with joy to meet my Lord, Forgiven, loved, and free,
In awe and wonder to recall His life laid down for me,
His life laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near To find, as all are fed,
The new community of love In Christ's communion bread,
In Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, Each proud division ends,
The love that made us, makes us one, And strangers now are friends,
And strangers now are friends.

And thus with joy we meet our Lord, His presence always near,
Is in such friendship better known, We see and praise Him here,
We see and praise Him here.

Together met, together bound, We'll go our different ways,
And as His people in the world, We'll live and speak His praise,
We'll live and speak His praise.

Text: Brian Wren, 1968; rev. 1977

Tune: DOVE OF PEACE; American folk melody; Arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1977