



## The Celebration of Worship

May 31, 2020 Day of Pentecost

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### Welcome

*Please join in lighting a candle at home.*

### Introit

**All: Make us one, Lord, make us one. Holy Spirit make us one. Let Your love flow so the world will know, we are one in You.**

### Call to Worship

Leader: Listen, can you hear the wind?

**Congregation: Come, Holy Spirit, and breathe new life within us.**

Leader: Look, can you see the dancing flames?

**Congregation: Come, Holy Spirit, and breathe new life within us.**

Leader: Pay attention, can you hear the message in a language you can understand?

**Congregation: Come, Holy Spirit, and breathe new life within us.**

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, fill our lives with your love and free us to reach out to others with the good news of your eternal presence. Amen.**

### Gathering Hymn

“Spirit”

### Prayer of Confession & Assurance of God’s Grace

**Congregation: We aren’t ready, Lord. It is easier for us to hide in the upper rooms of our lives, to let the world go by and not acknowledge Your presence. But You have challenged us to come alive again with Your love and words of healing mercy. Forgive our hesitant witness and our complacent spirits. Heal our fears and our wounds. Help us to be agents of healing and hope for others. Challenge us to overcome our feelings of inadequacy and to proclaim Your Good News.**

Leader: Fear no more! The power of God’s Holy Spirit has set us free from the prison of doubt and fear! Now is the time to shine with the light of God’s love, given to you by Jesus Christ. Amen.

### Response to God’s Forgiveness

**Glory be to Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.**

### Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All: And also with you.**

### Discovery Table

Veronica Gould

### Hymn of Grace

“Spirit of the Living God”

### Special Video

Many thanks to the contributors and Jonathan Sakakibara for editing.

### Unison Prayer Of Guidance

**All: Now may the words of our mouth, the meditation of our hearts, the interpretation of our minds, and the response of our hands be acceptable to You, our Lord and our Redeemer. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.**

### First Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all

baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

### **Second Scripture Reading**

Acts 2:1-13

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."

### **Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

**"Come Holy Spirit, Come!"**

### **Opportunity To Present Offerings & Doxology**

*Please enter any prayer requests, joys or concerns, in the comments of the Facebook Live video so we can include you in our prayers.*

**All: Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

### **Prayer of Dedication**

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

### **Joys & Concerns/Pastoral Prayer**

Rola Al Ashkar

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**All: Our Parent Who art in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your 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 Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

### **Sending Hymn**

"Go to the World"

### **Benediction**

Rev. Dr. Pamela Anderson

### **Response: "Shalom"**

**Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, Kami no mi megumi. (Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, may we be blessed with grace from God.)**

**Sha rom, sha rom, mata a u hi ma de. Sha rom, sha rom, yuta kani, yuta kani, yuta kani. (Peace, peace, until we meet again. Peace, peace, abundantly, abundantly, abundantly.)**