

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pentecost

Sunday, May 23, 2021 - 9:00 am Service

Prelude

Komm heiliger Geist, Herre Gott, BuxWV 199
NATE ZULLINGER, ORGAN

Dietrich Buxtehude

Call to Worship *(responsively)*

(adapted from Acts 2:17-21)

'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."

Come, let us worship the God of all creation.

Come, let us worship God!

+ Opening Hymn 287 *Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading*
(Hymn located at the end of the bulletin)

NJOO KWETU, ROHO MWEMA

+ Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

Our God, we come in humility, confessing who and what we are. We are often unresponsive for we are afraid. When your Spirit speaks we turn deaf ears, for we fear what you might call us to do.

When your Spirit touches our lips, we close our mouths, embarrassed to speak your Word. When the wind of your Spirit blows, we close the windows of our hearts, afraid the breeze will disrupt our ordered lives. When the fire of your Spirit touches us, we quench the flame, afraid of the new life it might bring. Forgive us, Lord, and overwhelm us with the gift of your Spirit. Amen.

+ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

+ Affirmation of Faith – Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

----- *Please be seated* -----

Time with the Children

Kelli Masters

First 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.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer (*unison*)

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.

Announcements and Offering

Please make an offering to the ongoing work of the church. You can give online by using the giving button on the website at www.waynepres.org/giving/

Minute for Mission – One Book, One Church

Janice Mack

Musical Offertory

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

William Dawson

QUARTET / MICHAEL KRUEGER, SOLOIST

Second Scripture Reading: Acts 2:14-21

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.’

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Sermon

On Pentecost They Gathered

CASEY THOMPSON

+ Closing Hymn 289 On Pentecost They Gathered

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(Hymn located at the end of the bulletin)

+ Benediction

Postlude

Veni Creator Spiritus (Hymn 278)

Bruce Neswick

TIM EVERS, ORGAN

today


JOIN US EACH SUNDAY AFTER WORSHIP FOR FELLOWSHIP UNDER THE TENT

Meet us under the tent each week after the 9 am worship service to say, “Hi and great to see you!” We were so excited to see and chat with many of you already and look forward to it again today. Say hello to our clergy and learn about the return of WPC programs. Self-serve coffee will be provided. (We ask that you please wear your face mask in between sips of coffee!) See ya under the tent!


IN PERSON WORSHIP FUNDRAISER FOR GEMMA SERVICES - TODAY AND 30!

Our youth will be outside at 10am (after worship) gathering funds via a Wall of Envelopes ranging from \$1-\$50 for Hospitality Baskets that they will create for teens being adopted through Gemma Services Adoption and Permanency Program. Once the funds are collected the youth will shop for the items this summer during a service day, and then the baskets will be delivered. Please help us make an at-risk youth’s day and join us in welcoming them into a more permanent home.


287 Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading



1 Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead - ing;
 2 Come to teach us; come to nour - ish
 3 Guide our think - ing and our speak - ing
 4 Not mere knowl - edge, but dis - cern - ment,
 5 Keep us fer - vent in our wit - ness,

fash - ion us all a - new. It's your lead - ing
 those who be - lieve in Christ. Bless the faith - ful;
 done in your ho - ly name. Mo - ti - vate all
 nor root - less lib - er - ty; turn dis - qui - et
 un - swayed by earth's al - lure. Ev - er grant us

that we're need - ing; help us to fol - low you.
 may they flour - ish, strength - ened by grace un - priced.
 in their seek - ing, free - ing from guilt and shame.
 to con - tent - ment, doubt in - to cer - tain - ty.
 zeal - ous fit - ness, which you a - lone as - sure.



Refrain



Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
 Njo - o, njo - o, nj - oo, Ro - ho mwe - ma.



Originally written for the uniting of the Lutheran churches in Tanzania, this prayerful hymn touches on the need of the whole church at all times for the Holy Spirit's guidance and blessing. When appropriate, the refrain can effectively be used alone as a prayer response.

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MUSIC: Wilson Niwagila, 1965; arr. Egil Hovland, 1993

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NJOO KWETU, ROHO MWEMA

CM with refrain

289 On Pentecost They Gathered

1 On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered quite ear - ly in the day,
 2 The peo - ple all a - round them were star - tled and a - mazed
 3 God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it on all who would be - lieve,
 4 O Spir - it, sent from heav - en on that day long a - go,

a band of Christ's dis - ci - ples, to wor - ship, sing, and pray.
 to un - der - stand their lan - guage, as Christ the Lord they praised.
 on wom - en, men, and chil - dren who would God's grace re - ceive.
 re - kin - dle faith a - mong us in all life's ebb and flow.

A might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,
 What u - ni - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?
 That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.
 O give us ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,

and tongues of fire a - glow - ing in - spired each per - son there.
 That Christ, once dead, is ris - en to van - quish all our fear.
 The church, formed and re - form - ing, re - sponds in ev - ery hour.
 so folk of ev - ery na - tion glad songs of joy shall raise.

This narrative and interpretive text was written to fill what the author perceived as an unfortunate gap in available hymns concerning the Holy Spirit in general and Pentecost in particular. The setting of a 17th-century German tune is from Mendelssohn's oratorio *Elijah*.

TEXT: Jane Parker Huber, 1981

MUSIC: *Neuvermehrtes Meiningsches Gesangbuch*, 1693; adapt. Felix Mendelssohn, 1847

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