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Pentecost Sunday
June 8, 2025 10:00 AM
Rev. Rosemary Dawson, Designated Pastor
David Cavallin, Music Director

PRELUDE

David Cavallin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you

People: And also with you

Pastor: Let us welcome one another with the gifts of God's peace

MOMENT OF CENTERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liz Grasty

One: Come, let us gather together, God is calling to us.

Wait in expectant hope for God's appearing.

All: We gather here as a community of faith.

We seek to worship God and follow his way.

One: On the first Christian Pentecost, wonders were revealed.

Wind and fire and languages proclaimed God's greatness.

All: We tremble before the power of the Holy Spirit.

We wonder what will happen now in our midst.

One: On this Pentecost, we can receive the power of God.

We can be moved to speak and act in new ways.

All: With open hearts we celebrate the presence of the Spirit.

We welcome and pursue the vision God has for us.

***HYMN**

"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"

Black #59

***GATHERING PRAYER**

Liz Grasty

We sing your praise, Mighty God, for with your presence comes the breath of life and the fire of faith. We come today seeking your anointing and power. We are eager to be filled with the Spirit, to be invigorated with confidence and trust to use the gifts you have given each of us. Inspire us that we may envision your purpose and proclaim your message. Give us courage to take the risks of daring discipleship, to speak of your deeds of power and to act with faithful service. Amen.

***SONG OF PRAISE**

"Bless His Holy Name"

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on the following page

***Please rise in body or Spirit**



Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is with - in me, Bless His



ho - ly Name. He has done great things, He has done great



things, He has done great things, Bless His ho - ly Name.

SCRIPTURE

Romanas 8:14-17 (The Inclusive Bible)

Liz Grasty

A key theme throughout the New Testament is that God is redeeming and renewing all of creation through the work of Christ and the power of the Spirit. This is the idea behind today's reading from Romans. As children of God we take part in the new creation with the Spirit. The cry of "Abba" declares not only of our belonging to God but also of our allegiance to God; we now work hand in glove with the Spirit of God for the coming of this new creation in Christ.

Those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. For the Spirit that God has given you does not enslave you and trap you in fear; instead through the Spirit, God has adopted you as children, and by the Spirit we cry out, "Abba!" God's Spirit joins with our spirit to declare that we are God's children. And if we are children, we are heirs: heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, sharing in Christ's suffering and sharing Christ's glory.

Acts 2:1-21

Luke's story of Pentecost describes the completion of what John the Baptist began and what Jesus promised. It describes not the birth of the church, but rather the empowerment of the believers to bear witness to the ends of the earth, as promised in Acts 1:8.

Following this passage, Peter bears witness by interpreting the Jesus' death, resurrection, and status as God's Messiah, which results in the faith of thousands, and the formation of community in the earliest churches (Acts 2:37-47).

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 people 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.”

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Fellow Jews 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.’

SERMON

"The Mighty Power of God"

Rev. Rosemary Dawson

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

David Cavallin

***HYMN**

"O Spirit of the Living God"

Black 263

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

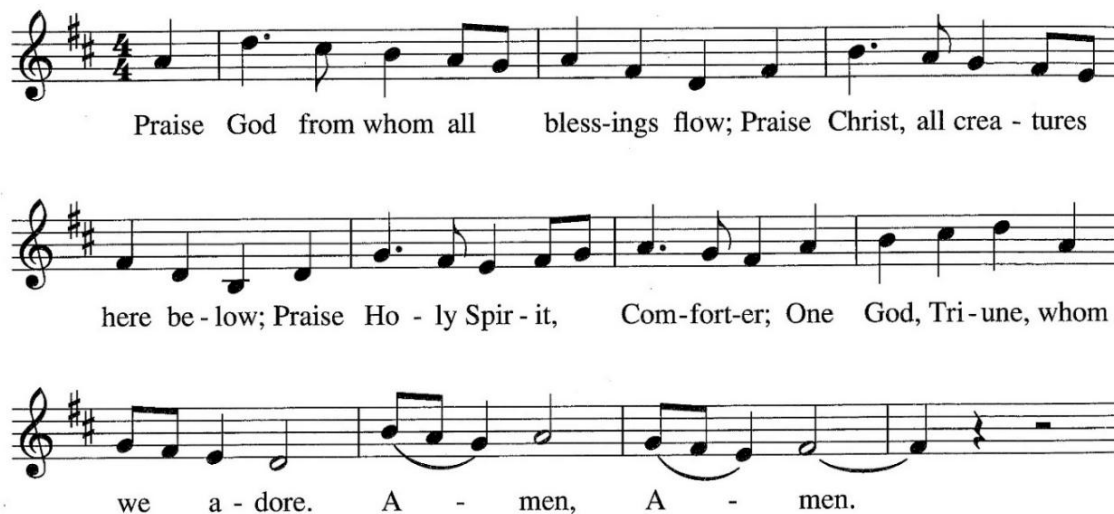
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING INVITATION

***Please rise in body or Spirit**

*DOXOLOGY

Black #776



*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Thank you, God, for the mighty works of your grace among us. Thank you for the saving work of Christ and the empowering work of your Spirit. As we offer you our gifts and our lives, bless them for the work of ministry among us and beyond us. May all we do bring glory to you, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

*HYMN

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

Black #286

*COMMON COMMISSION

Let us go forth into the world in peace, being of good courage, holding fast to that which is good, rendering to no one evil for evil, strengthening the fainthearted, supporting the weak, helping the afflicted, honoring all persons, loving and serving the Lord, and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

David Cavallin

***Please rise in body or Spirit**



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