

# PENTECOST SUNDAY

Filled with the Holy Spirit they  
began to talk in other languages.  
Acts 2:1-4

Shine your light brightly this Pentecost and always



# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Day of Pentecost

June 8, 2025

A prayer for Pentecost

Spirit of God,  
flickering over our heads,  
illuminating our faces,  
inspiring our thoughts,  
give us now, we pray,  
words of praise and joy.  
*Prayer by John Harvey*

PRELUDE                      Chorale Variation on Veni Creator Spiritus                      Marcel Dupré

BRINGING THE LIGHT

\*LITANY FOR PENTECOST

Holy Spirit, Creator,  
in the beginning you moved over the waters.  
From your breath all creation drew life.  
Without you, life turns to dust.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Counselor,  
by your inspiration, the prophets spoke and acted in faith.  
You clothed them in power to be bearers of your Word.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Power,  
you came as fire to Jesus' disciples;  
you gave them voice before the rulers of this world.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Sanctifier,  
you created us children of God;  
you make us the living temple of your presence;  
you intercede within us with sighs too deep for words.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Giver of life,  
you guide and make holy the church you create;  
you give gifts—  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and fortitude,  
the spirit of knowledge and piety,  
the spirit of the fear of the Lord,  
that the whole creation may be transformed.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

*(Brief time for silent reflection)*

True and only Light,  
from whom comes every good gift:  
Send your Spirit into our lives

with the power of a mighty wind.  
Open the horizons of our minds  
by the flame of your wisdom.  
Loosen our tongues to show your praise,  
for only in your Spirit can we voice your words of peace  
and acclaim Jesus as Lord. Amen.

\*SONG OF PRAISE

On Pentecost They Gathered

Hymnal, No. 289

\*CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Almighty God,**  
**you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples**  
**creating bold tongues, open ears,**  
**and a new community of faith.**  
**We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us.**  
**We do not listen for your word of grace,**  
**speak the good news of your love,**  
**or live as a people made one in Christ.**  
**Have mercy on us, O God.**  
**Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit,**  
**and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people,**  
**doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**  
*(Time for silent reflection)*

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God..**

\*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

Glory to God

Hymnal, No. 582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

World without end, without end. Amen (x3)

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

Will Farris

SCRIPTURE READING

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Romans 8:14-17

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

O Lord, how manifold are your works!  
In wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.

**There 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 give to them, they gather it up;  
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 their dust.**

When you send forth your spirit, they are created,  
and you renew the face of the ground.

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

who looks on the earth and it trembles,  
who touches the mountains and they smoke.

**I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

May my meditation be pleasing to him,  
for I rejoice in the Lord.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul.  
Praise the Lord!**

ANTHEM

Every Time I Feel The Spirit

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:1-21

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Congratulations! It's a Church!

Tracy L. Evans

\*SONG OF FAITH

Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

Hymnal, No. 279

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**God the Holy Spirit  
fulfills the work of reconciliation in human life.  
The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church  
as the community in which people are reconciled  
to God and to one another.  
The Spirit enables people to receive forgiveness  
as they forgive one another  
and to enjoy the peace of God  
as they make peace among themselves.  
In spite of their sin,  
the Spirit gives people power  
to become representatives of Jesus Christ  
and his gospel of reconciliation to all.**

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.20

## SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Response:... God of new life, **hear our prayer.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal, p. 35

*Please pray the Lord's Prayer  
in the language and wording most familiar to you.*

## THE OFFERING

### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal, No. 609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:  
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

### \*SENDING SONG

O Day of Joy and Wonder

Hymnal, No. 290

### \*BLESSING AND CHARGE

### \*POSTLUDE

Fanfare for Pentecost

Christopher Tambling

\*Please rise in body or spirit.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

**Lectionary Readings** for June 15: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 and Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15.

The Food & Shelter items of the month for June are tampons and bug spray. **Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.**

**Hearing-assistance** devices and **large print hymnals** are available from the head usher.

**The Day of Pentecost:**

"Pentecost" comes from a Greek word meaning fiftieth day. On this day, the Holy Spirit came with wind and flame, empowering the disciples to proclaim the good news of the risen Lord to all people. Falling on the fiftieth day of the season of Easter, Pentecost represents the culmination of the church's seven-week celebration of Christ's resurrection. As the Lord's Day is sometimes called the "eighth day" of creation, Pentecost is a day of new creation—all things transformed and made new by the Word and Breath of the living God. On the Day of Pentecost we give particular thanks for the gift of God's Holy Spirit, who gathers the church as the body of Christ and sends us to share in Christ's mission throughout the world.

The notion of Easter as a season of fifty days is patterned after the ancient Jewish period of seven weeks that extended from the beginning of the barley harvest, after Passover, to the end of the wheat harvest at the Festival of Weeks (in Hebrew, *Shavuot*). In Jewish tradition, *Shavuot* also marks the giving of the law to Moses at Sinai, a connection that may inform Paul's discussion of the law and the Spirit.

# 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.

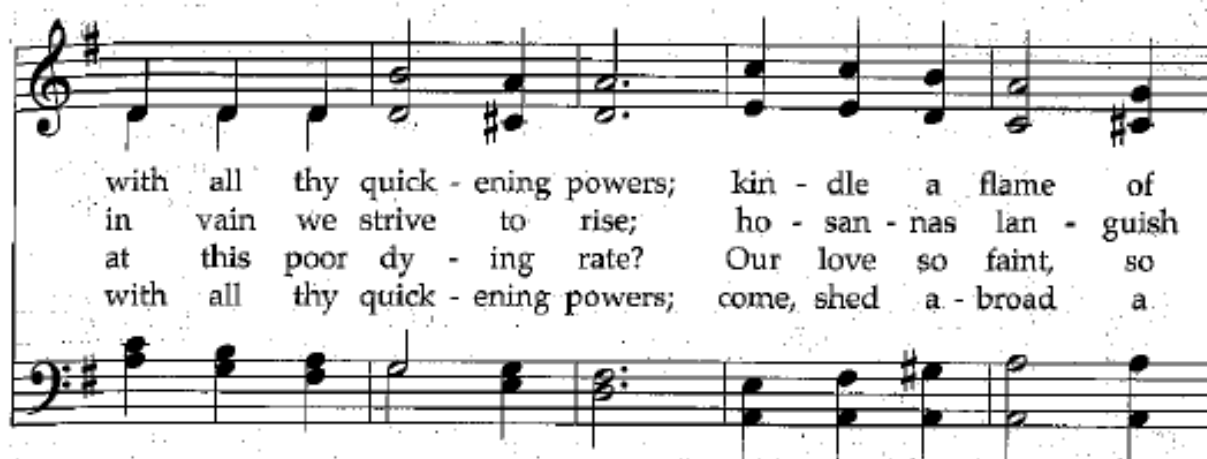
A might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,  
 What u - ni - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?  
 That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.  
 O give us ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,

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.

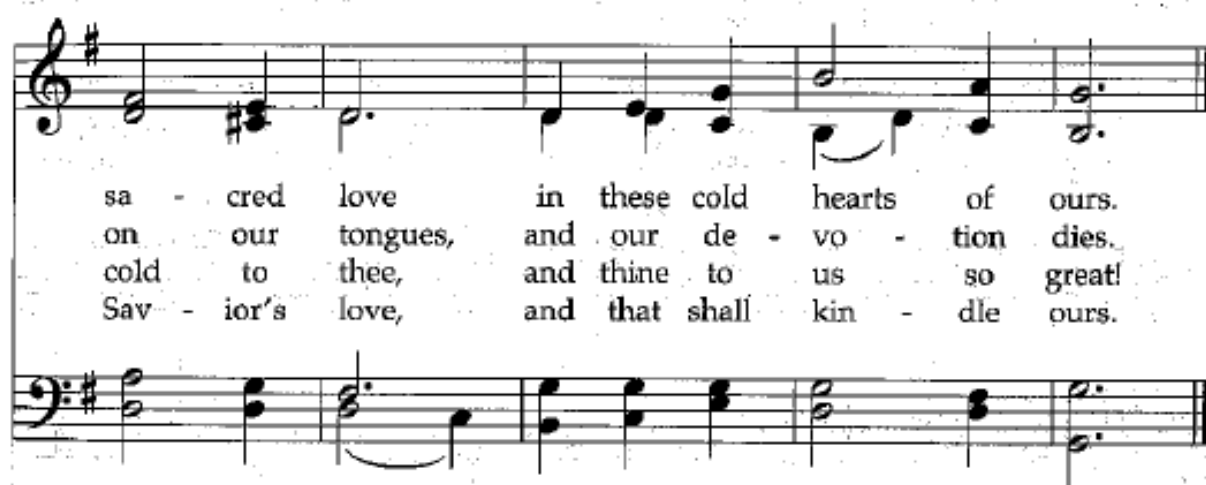
# Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove 279



1 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, heaven - ly Dove,  
 2 In vain we tune our for - mal songs;  
 3 Dear Lord, and shall we ev - er live  
 4 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, heaven - ly Dove,



with all thy quick - ening powers; kin - dle a flame of  
 in vain we strive to rise; ho - san - nas lan - guish  
 at this poor dy - ing rate? Our love so faint, so  
 with all thy quick - ening powers; come, shed a - broad a



sa - cred love in these cold hearts of ours.  
 on our tongues, and our de - vo - tion dies.  
 cold to thee, and thine to us so great!  
 Sav - ior's love, and that shall kin - dle ours.



# O Day of Joy and Wonder! 290

Capo 3: (D)

(G)

(Em7)

(A)

F

B $\flat$

Gm7

C



1 O day of joy and won - der! Christ's prom - ise  
2 The world, in sheer a - maze - ment, the truth must  
3 We too may know your pow - er; your cour - age

(A7)

(D)

(A)

(D)

(G)

(Em7)

C7

F

C

F

B $\flat$

Gm7



now ful - filled: the com - ing of the Spir - it that  
now de - clare: that those who once were cow - ards are  
makes us strong. Your love, your joy, your pa - tience can

(A)

(Em)

(A)

(D)

(G)

(A7)

C

Gm

C

F

B $\flat$

C7



ho - ly love has willed. Our Lord in hu - man  
brave be - yond com - pare; and tongues, which could not  
all to us be - long. Come now and dwell with -

(D)

(Em7)

(D)

(Em7)

(A)

(D)

F

Gm7

F

Gm7

C

F



bod - y to mor - tal eye is lost, yet comes in  
ut - ter their faith in Je - sus' name, de - fy all  
in us, O Com - fort - er, di - vine. Come to our

(G)

(Em7)

(A)

(Em)

(A)

(D)

B $\flat$

Gm7

C

Gm

C

F



flame up - on us at bless - ed Pen - te - cost.  
per - se - cu - tion God's glo - ry to pro - claim!  
hearts, and keep them; there let your bright - ness shine.