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**June 5, 2022, 11:15 am**

**Pentecost**



## **Gathering Around the Word**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Lighting of the Candle**

### **Centering Music**

### **Call to Worship**

L: Remember the promise of the Lord:

**P: God will pour out the Spirit on all flesh.**

L: The Spirit of God will renew the earth.

**P: Bless the name of the Lord!**

Let us pray: **God our creator, earth has many languages, but your gospel proclaims your love to all nations in one heavenly tongue. Make us messengers of the good news that, through the power of your Spirit, all the world may unite in one song of praise; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray together: *Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.***

Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 345). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

### **Hymn *Spirit (319)***

### **Call to Confession**

Jesus says: Let anyone who is thirsty come to me. Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water. Trusting in God's grace, let us make our confessions together:

### **Prayer of Confession**

**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. (moment of silence.)**

Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (pp. 346-348). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

### **Assurance of Forgiveness**

L: Through Christ, God has poured out the Holy Spirit upon us for the forgiveness of sins. Hear the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**P: In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 348). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

**Response** *Spirit of the Living God (322)*

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me, Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me.*

**The Peace  
Anthem****Hearing the Word****Prayer for Illumination**

**God of power and grace, fill us with the wisdom of your word and the understanding of your Spirit so that we may be your church: a people with dreams and visions at work in all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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**Scripture Genesis 11:1-9** Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. <sup>2</sup>And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. <sup>3</sup>And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. <sup>4</sup>Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.”

<sup>5</sup>The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. <sup>6</sup>And the LORD said, “Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. <sup>7</sup>Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another’s speech.” <sup>8</sup>So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. <sup>9</sup>Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

**Hymn** *Gather Us In (2236)*

**Scripture Acts 2:1-13** When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

**Sermon**

## Responding to the Word

### Affirmation of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve... We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church...In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace...With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our

Lord. --Presbyterian Church. Book of Common Worship (p. 87). Presbyterian Publishing. Kindle Edition.

### Offering Prayer

L: In the spirit of the first believers, we are called to share our goods in common and contribute to the needs of the poor with glad and generous hearts. Let us pray:

**P: Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the many blessings you have given to us, and for the opportunity to share what we have with others who are in need. Help us to use our gifts of money, time and talents to shape the world in your image. Amen.**

### Celebration of Holy Communion

#### Sharing of Joys and Concerns

#### Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you. **P: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts. **P: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Chorus (all):** *Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of Hosts (2x)*

*The whole world is full of God's glory (3x)*

*Holy is the Lord!*

You are holy, O God of majesty...that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

Great is the mystery of faith: **Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

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#### Communion of the People

#### Prayer After Communion

### Taking the Word into the World

**+Song:** *Every Time I Feel the Spirit (315)*

**+Charge** Let us be refined in our hearts by the flame of faith to live a life worthy of Jesus the Christ.

#### +Benediction

**+Stand as you are able**

## **Spirit**

Refrain: Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free  
 Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You moved through the waters, you called to the deep,  
 then you coaxed up the mountains from the valley of sleep,  
 And over the eons you called to each thing, "Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings."

Refrain

You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,  
 And you gifted your people with a law and a land,  
 And when they were blinded with their idols and lies,  
 then you spoke through the prophets to open their eyes.

Refrain

You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,  
 Then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still,  
 And down in the cities you called once again  
 When you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.

Refrain

You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,  
 From the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams,  
 Our women see visions, our men clear their eyes with bold new decisions your people arise.

Refrain

## **Gather Us In**

Here in this place new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away,  
 See in this space our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.  
 Gather us in the lost and the lonely, gather us in- the blind and the lame;  
 Call to us now and we shall awaken, we shall arise and the sound of our name.

We are the young- our lives are a mystery, we are the old- who yearn for your face,  
 We have been sung throughout all of history, called to be light to the whole human race.  
 Gather us in- the rich and the haughty, gather us in- the proud and the strong;  
 Give us a heart so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth,  
 Here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
 Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you,  
 Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven light years away,  
 Here in this place the new light is shining, now is the kingdom, now is the day.  
 Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own,  
 Gather us in- all peoples together, fire of our love in our flesh and our bone.

## **Every Time I Feel the Spirit**

Refrain: Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray,

Yes every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

Upon the mountain, when my Lord spoke, out of God's mouth came fire and smoke,  
 Looked all around me, it looked so fine, till I asked my Lord if all was mine. (refrain)

Jordan River, chilly and cold, it chills the body but not the soul.

There is but one train upon this track, it runs to heaven and then right back. (refrain)

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## Scriptures for Sunday, June 12

Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31  
Psalm 8  
Romans 5:1–5  
John 16:12–15

## In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Betty Murphy  
Ruth Roeber  
The McDermott family  
Johanna Willis  
Nita Kleier  
Jean Jennings' family  
Emille Walden  
Kelly Montana  
Lynda Jaeger  
Kittie Dupps  
Skip Dixon & Family  
Ron Carlin  
Ella Grace Marksberry

## Worship Services:

Join us for in person services at our new location at 710 Western Reserve Rd., Crescent Springs, KY. You can also worship with us online via Facebook Live, or by joining the conference call. Worship services begin at 11:15 am.

## Upcoming Bible Study:

A new study will begin on Monday, June 6 at 9 pm via Zoom. We'll be discussing Mystics and Spiritual practice. More information to come.

## Pentecost Offering:

The Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people, and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. According to the PCUSA Special Offerings website, 40% stays with our congregation for youth-related projects, 25% supports Young Adult Volunteers, 25% supports worldwide ministries with youth, and 10% is devoted to children at-risk. Sunday, June 5 will be the last day we'll collect offerings for this special mission.

## Supporting the Presbytery & the Denomination with Per Capita:

Per Capita is a fundamental way in which all of us, as members of the nearly 10,000 congregations and mid councils of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) connect, participate and share in the work of the wider church. Per capita is the primary source of funding for the Presbytery, as well as the Synod and General Assembly, and is how Presbyterians mutually and equitably share the costs of coming together to discern the Spirit's leading for the future. It is how Presbyterians are trained to become better ruling elders, teaching elders and deacons, and ministers. It is how Presbyterians are helped to discern God's call in their lives. It has supported our ministries at COF through grants to CLASP and for equipment purchases for our virtual church services. Please prayerfully consider donating the \$33 per capita apportionment set by the Presbytery, for each church member.

## Donations for Johanna Willis & RideCincinnati:

On Sept 17, 2022, Johanna Willis will be participating in RideCincinnati, a bike ride to raise money for cancer research. She has registered to ride 50 miles and is required to raise \$750 additional dollars, beside the \$100 registration fee. All donations are recorded online. To donate, please go to: <https://ridecincinnati.org/rider/2241>. Please, prayerfully consider donating.