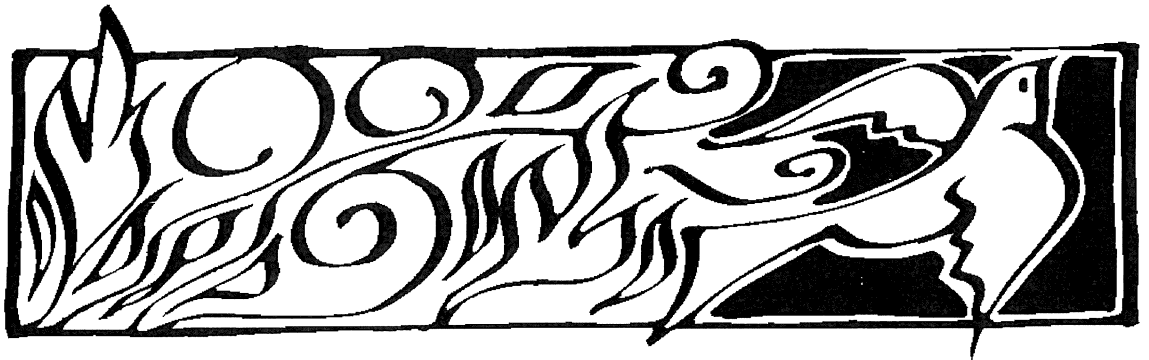


FIRST  
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*Seeking the peace and well-being of the city*

May 28, 2023 11:00 a.m.

the Day of  
Pentecost



**PRELUDE**

Come Down O Love Divine

M. Sedio

**GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**INTROIT**

Spirit Divine, Inspire Our Prayers

M. Held

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#334 On Pentecost They Gathered

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$\frac{D}{F\#}$   $\frac{A}{E}$  D G A  $\frac{A}{C\#}$  D  $\frac{D}{F\#}$  G Asus A7 D



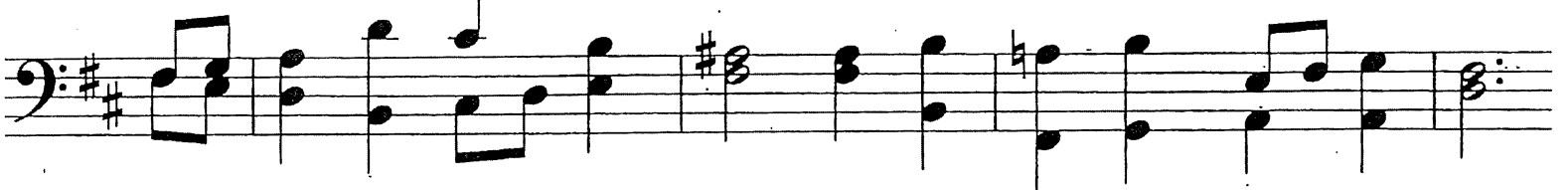
1 On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered quite ear - ly in the day,  
 2 The peo - ple all a - round them were star - tled and a - mazed  
 3 God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it on all who would be - lieve,  
 4 O Spir - it, sent from heav - en on that day long a - go,



$\frac{D}{F\#}$   $\frac{A7}{E}$  D Bm  $\frac{A}{C\#}$  Em F# Bm  $\frac{D}{F\#}$  G Asus A7 D



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.



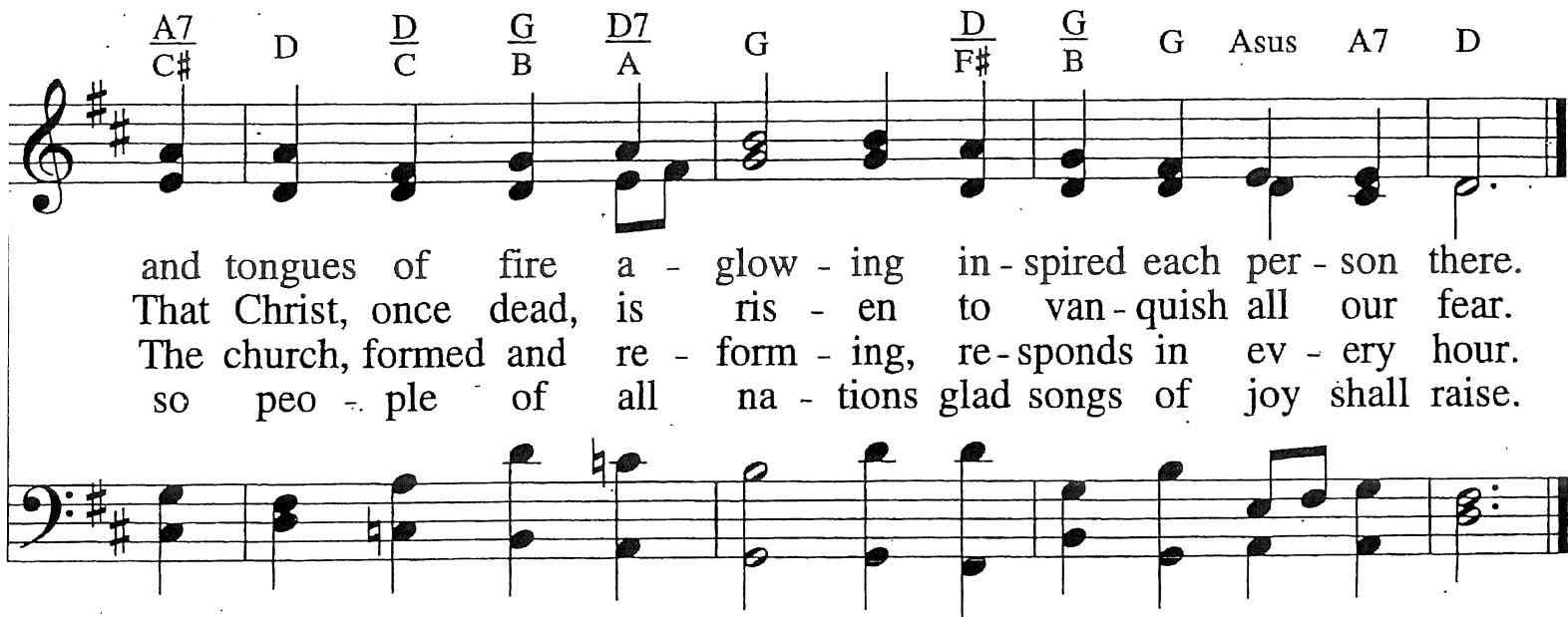
A  $\frac{A}{G}$   $\frac{B7}{F\#}$  Em Bm  $\frac{Em}{B}$  Bm  $\frac{Bm}{D}$  E7 A



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,



A7 D D G D7 G D G Asus A7 D  
 C# C C B A F# B



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 peo - ple of all na - tions glad songs of joy shall raise.

WORDS: Jane Parker Hüber (1926- )

MUSIC: *Neuermehrtes Gesangbuch*, 1693; harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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### \*INVOCATION AND 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, and the power,  
 and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**O God, we are so prone to make messes and clutter our lives with mistakes.**

**We collect the dust of guilt when we miss opportunities to be kind, or generous or to advocate for justice.**

**The garbage of hurtful words we have spoken accumulates in our minds and hearts.**

**Focusing only on our self-centered wants develops cobwebs that keep us from seeing what others need.**

**Our neglect of spending time in prayer obscures our clear vision like the smoke of a wildfire.**

**We need the spring cleaning of your Spirit to open the windows of our hearts, letting you in to transform us.**

**Your spring winds can dispel the darkness that we have created.**

**O, Wind of the Spirit, cleanse our hearts and renew our minds to your gracious truth.**

**Create in us clean spaces so that we can be useful to you as you empower us with forgiven hearts and fruitful actions.**

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

### **\*GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and  
Ever shall be, world without end. Amen**

### **FIRST READING**

Numbers 11:24-30

Page 144, 1st half of NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

### **OFFERING OF MUSIC IN WORSHIP**

Märchenbilder Op. 113 (Mvt. 1)

R. Schumann  
W. Krapyvkin, viola

## AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Iona Community)

We believe in God who chose a wandering people for God's own, calling them from slavery into freedom; yet who in Rahab, Tamar, Ruth, Bathsheba, Cyrus, Darius and many others, called outsiders to be agents of God's purpose.

We believe in Jesus who was revered by Persian sages, sought and found asylum in Egypt, preached that God loves Syrians, attracted to God's cause Greeks and Romans, found his first evangelist in a Samaritan, had his mind changed by a Phoenician, and his cross shouldered by an African; and ascended above his native land that he might be present in every place.

We believe in the Holy Spirit who at Pentecost proved that heaven had no favored mother-tongue, who in the baptism of an Ethiopian denied racism and a foothold in faith, and who in the ancient world founded churches across cultures.

We believe that God is supremely known in Jesus, yet we affirm that God may choose to show God's face in different guises, for the kingdom of God is bigger than the Church and the love of God is beyond our understanding.

We therefore celebrate that God's ways are not our ways, that God knows whom God chooses, and that, as in Jesus, God's surprise surpasses all human expectations.

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

#129 Be Still, for the Spirit of the Lord

D. Evans

*Unison*

- 1 Be still, for the Spir-it of the Lord, the Ho - ly One, is here.
- 2 Be still, for the glo-ry of the Lord is shin-ing all a - round;
- 3 Be still, for the pow-er of the Lord is mov-ing in this place,

D F#m7 Bm Em7 Asus A

Come, bow be - fore him now, with rev-erence and with fear.  
 he burns with ho - ly fire, with splen-dor he is crowned.  
 he comes to cleanse and heal, to min - is - ter his grace.

G  $\frac{A}{G}$   $\frac{D}{F\#}$  G  $\frac{A}{G}$   $\frac{D}{F\#}$

In him no sin is found, we stand on ho - ly ground.  
 How awe-some is the sight, our ra-diant King of light!  
 No work too hard for him, in faith re - ceive from him.

G A F#m7 Bm Em7 Asus A D

Be still, for the Spir-it of the Lord, the Ho - ly One, is here.  
 Be still, for the glo-ry of the Lord is shin-ing all a - round.  
 Be still, for the pow-er of the Lord is mov-ing in this place.

WORDS and MUSIC: David Evans (20th c.)

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## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

# \*HYMN OF MEDITATION

#132 Spirit of God, Descend Upon my Heart

MORECAMBE

Bb F7 A Bb Eb Bb D Cm7 F7 Bb

1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart,  
2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,  
3 - Did you not bid us love you, God and King,  
4 Teach me to feel that you are al - ways nigh;  
5 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love,

Gm A A7 C# Dm G7 D F C Gm C7 F

free it from sin, through all its puls - es move.  
no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,  
love you with all our heart and strength and mind?  
teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear,  
one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame:

F F7 Eb F F7 Eb F F7 Eb F F7

Stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as you are,  
no an - gel vis - i - tant, no o - pening skies,  
I see your cross— there teach my heart to cling.  
to check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el sigh;  
the bap - tism of the heaven - de - scend - ed Dove,





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D G A D Bm

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the wil - der-ness

E A D G A D

call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,

Bm G A7 D G D

stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.

D G A G  $\frac{D}{F\#}$   $\frac{A}{E}$

1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,  
 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand  
 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,  
 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.

Em7 D Bm E A

then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;  
 and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;  
 then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;  
 From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;

D G A G Bm  $\frac{D}{F\#}$  D

and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:  
 and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,  
 and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,  
 our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.

Bm  $\frac{D}{G}$  Em7 A7 D A *to Refrain*

“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”  
 then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.  
 when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.  
 With bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

WORDS and MUSIC: James K. Manley (1940- )

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**\*THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Leader:** May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**\*Benediction**

Meditation on VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS  
(Plainsong)

P. Fey

**\*The Sending of the Community**

**\*Congregational Amen**

*The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week*

**POSTLUDE**

Toccatà on VENI CREATOR SPIRITIS

P. Fey

**\*Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:  
Worship Leader and Writing Prayers - Ken Bellous;  
Prayers of the People - Grant McIntyre;  
Scripture Readers - Gwen Borowski, Warren Tasker;  
Offering of Music in Worship - William Krapyvkin;  
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Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist

