UNITED PRESBYTERIAN-CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 31st, 2020

Pentecost Sunday

MUSICAL PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP (silent congregational preparation for worship)

PRELUDE Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier

Johann G. Walther

CHORAL INTROIT

GREETING L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP

The peace of God be with you today.

Receive with joy the gift of the Holy Spirit.

We feel the winds of God blowing among us.

We sense the tongues of fire empowering us.

How amazing is the power God gives us.

How manifold are the works of our Creator.

The breath of God fills us with confidence.

The Spirit creates new life within and among us.

God calls us to be dreamers and prophets.

God gives us a vision for a world of peace.

May the glory of God endure forever.

We will sing praise to God as long as we live.

MORNING PRAYER (read by Lay Reader)

Powerful God, whose ways are beyond our knowing, we long to grow spiritually. We are thirsty for the living water you have promised to those who seek. We are eager to catch the Spirit, to be set on fire with confidence and trust to use the gifts you have given. Let Pentecost happen again in this gathering of your people. Inspire us to witness to your love and prophesy in your name. Give us courage to speak of your deeds of power and to take the risk of daring discipleship. Amen.

*HYMN Rejoice, The Lord Is King

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

O God, we are frightened by strange tongues and people out of control. We want to manage our own lives and assure our own safety. We are afraid that you will ask more of us than we are willing to risk. We do not want others to consider us strange or fanatical. We are skeptical of dreams and visions. We cannot trust some people you ask us to love. We want to believe, but how can we know that you are

more than our collective imagination, a hope we cling to in our despair? Help us, God. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God comes unexpectedly to those willing to wait and listen and trust. The Spirit amazes and astonishes even those who wait expectantly. There is in more to life than the things we can see - and more in the things we see than our eyes can discern. So, too, God is more than we can know or think. Even now, the Holy Spirit is resting on you and on this family of God's people. Do not be afraid.

*GLORIA PATRI #805

CHORAL ANTHEM Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God Getty & Townend

Cellist - Taylor Vyskocil

CHILDREN'S CHAT Cheryl or Bob Drevlow

*HYMN Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove.

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SCRIPTURE: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (p.544); 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 (p.1046) & John 20:19-23 (p.989)

MESSAGE Rev. James Deters

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Nicene Creed

PERIOD OF GUIDED PRAYER Prayers of the people and the Lord's Prayer

OFFERINGS OF GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY Andante Gottlieb Muffat
*DOXOLOGY #809

*OFFERTORY PRAYER (unison)

Thank you, God, for filling our lives with good things. The abundance of your gifts to us is beyond our counting. Bless all that we return to you for the work of ministry among us and beyond us. Let your Spirit enliven our caring and add effectiveness to all our doing. Make us one in Christ Jesus our Savior, in whose name we pray. Amen.

***HYMN** Breathe On Me, Breath of God Verses 1, 2, 3 #295

COMMISSION AND BLESSING

May God's glory endure forever.

May God take pleasure in works done through us.

We have found renewal in our time together.

Now God sends us forth to serve in Jesus' name.

May the empowerment of Pentecost continue with us.

May the Spirit lead and guide us every day.

We acknowledge our many gifts.

Now we seek to use them for the common good.

We are one body with many members.

When we work together, much good is accomplished.

We commit ourselves as people of vision and action.

The peace of God equips us to serve. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE TO BENEDICTION God Be With You POSTLUDE Rejoice, The Lord Is King

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SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:30 am

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^{*}All those who are able, please stand.

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: Was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in the one holy catholic and Apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

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

Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit; to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another the discernment of spirits; to another various kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

John 20:19-23

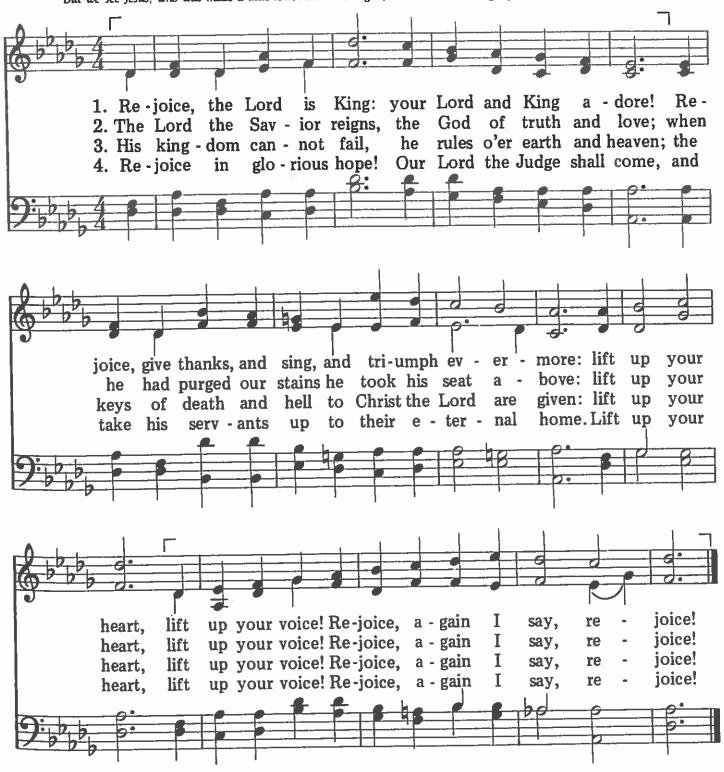
When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Everyone is invited to a "Drive- by Pentecost Celebration" at 1:00 at the church on Sunday. Please drive by the education wing of UPCC starting at Associated Bank and headed toward Vaughn Ave. Have your windows open and we will give you cupcakes for your family. The cupcakes will be bakery made and in containers, distributed in a safe way. We hope everyone can join us in celebrating the birthday of the church.

Rejoice, the Lord Is King 262

But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor. Heb. 2:9

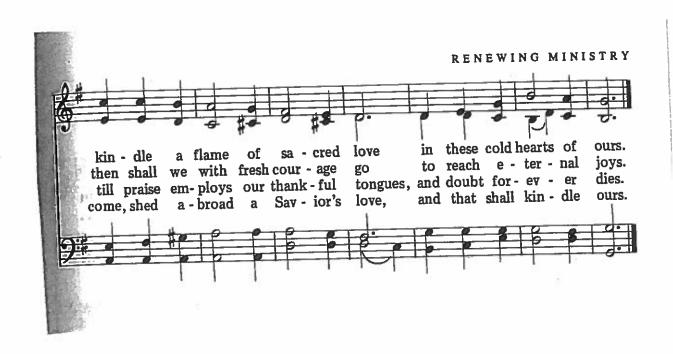


WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1744, alt. MUSIC: John Darwall, 1770

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298 Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove





295 Breathe on Me, Breath of God



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