Mentor United Methodist Church



May 23, 2021 11 AM Traditional Service Day of Pentecost

GATHERING

Prelude

"Now Pray We to the Holy Spirit" Amy Bender, organist D. Buxtehude

Welcome and Announcements

Tammy Palermo, Liturgist

Call to Worship

One: We gather together, to share in the praises of our Creating God!

- Many: Yet, how can we adequately describe the Creator of the universe? In faith, we will praise the Lord. O God, how wonderful you are!
- One: We come to tell each other how wonderful our Awesome God is! Many: Yet, as we respond to God's glory, there are not sufficient words! Even so, we will praise the Lord. O God, how glorious you are!
- One: God's creative Spirit draws us together to share in worship and praise of our Almighty God, who continues to breathe life into all creation!
- Many: God is robed in light, honor and majesty; and has laid the foundation of this universe as a mirror image of God's own unchanging nature. How amazing is our God! Yes, we will praise and worship our God!

(Adapted from Joan Stott)

Opening Prayer

One: Come, Holy Spirit, come! Many: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

All: Holy Spirit, comforting fire, life of all creation, anointing the sick, cleansing body and soul, fill this body! Holy Spirit, sacred breath, fire of love, sweetest taste, beautiful aroma, fill this heart! Holy Spirit, filling the world, from the heights to the deep, raining from clouds, filling rivers and sea, fill this mind!

Holy Spirit, forgiving and giving, uniting strangers, reconciling enemies, seeking the lost, and enfolding us together, fill these gathered here! Holy Spirit, bringing light into dark places, igniting praise, greatest gift, our hope and encourager, Holy Spirit of Christ, I praise you! Amen.

(Courtesy of Hildegard of Bingen)

* Hymn 539

"O Spirit of the Living God"

Sharing Joys and Concerns

* Congregation invited to stand if able.

Time of Prayer

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, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offertory	"Fill-A Me Up"	Pepper Choplin
(Chancel Choir; Laurie Babcock, soloist	
* Doxology UMH 94		
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Goo	elessings flow; Praise God, all creatures l d, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus v Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!	
* Prayer of Dedication		
* Hymn of Preparation 393	"Spirit of the Living God"	
Scripture	John 15:26-27, 16:4-15	
Sermon	Journey with John: Testify	Rev. Mikayla Doepker
* Hymn 568	"Christ for the World We Sing"	
Benediction		
Benediction Sung Response	"Go Now in Peace"	
Go now in peace. Never be	afraid. God will go with you each hour	of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen. Amen.

Postlude

"Psalm XIX"

B. Marcello

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