

Sermon Text
Acts 2:1-21

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A Reading from the Book of Acts of The Apostals
Glory be to God

Sermon
The Rev. Edie A. Gause
WIND AND FIRE

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 289 *Munich*
“On Pentecost They Gathered”

*Service of Ordination & Installation (See insert)

*Hymn 697 *Hendon*
“Take My Life”

Pastoral Joys and Concerns of the Church

Prayer for the People and Lord’s Prayer Choral Amen
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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Call to Stewardship
All undesignated cash goes to the Compassion Fund.

Offertory Joseph Bodin de Boismortier
Dolores August, Flutist
”Suite # 5 for Flute Solo: Gigue”

*Doxology Hymn 606 *Old Hundredth*
**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Offertory Prayer (Unison)

Thank you, God, for this high moment in worship and in life when we have something to give that others need. Take our bread, our witness, our lives to benefit all your human family. May your glory be known among us and in all the world. Amen.

Bearing and Following the Word into the World

*Hymn 298 *Abbot’s Leigh*
“Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

*Invitation to Discipleship

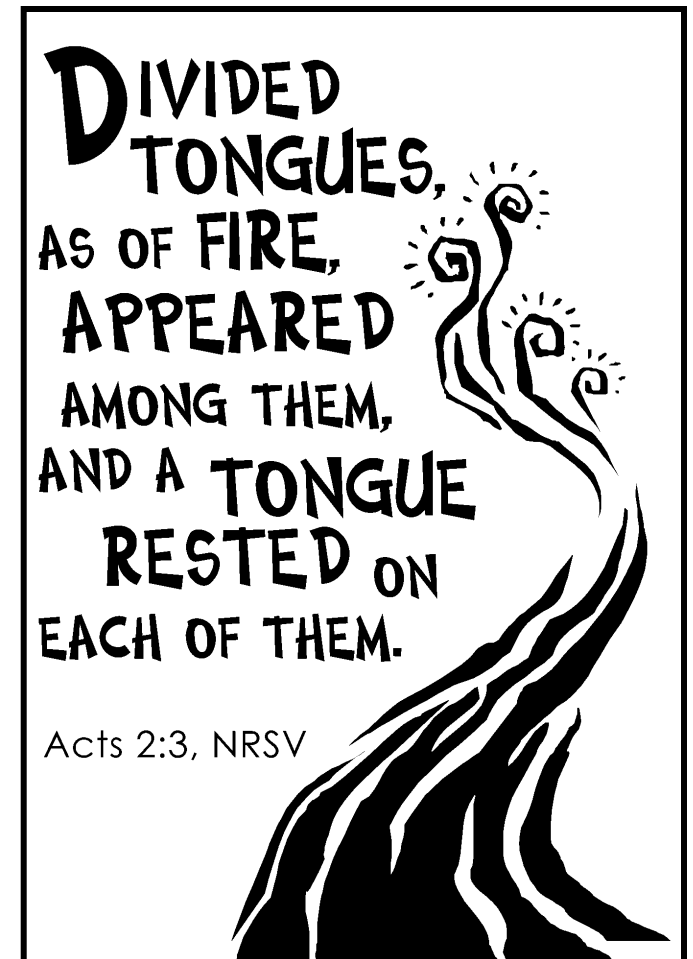
*Charge and Benediction
Embark on another week of service,
Filled with the hope that the Spirit brings.
We who have the first fruits of the Spirit groan inwardly as we await our adoption.
God redeems and accepts us and sends the Spirit to help us in our weakness.
We sense the Spirit helping us to pray, interceding for us with sighs too deep for words.
The one who searches human hearts knows the mind of the Spirit.
We are saints of God, whom the Spirit claims, children of the Most High in whom we rejoice. Amen. Amen.

*Closing Choral Response African-American Spiritual
“Lord, Make Us More Holy”
Sanctuary Choir

**Lord, make us more holy; Lord, make us more holy;
Lord, make us more holy, until we meet again.
Holy, holy, holy, until we meet again.**

*Closing Voluntary George Frederick Handel
“Allegro Maestoso”

Today’s liturgy has been adapted from Whispers of God by Lavon Bayler.



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THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

May 20, 2018

10:40 A.M.

Pentecost Sunday

**The congregation is invited to stand as music begins.
Additional worshippers may enter as the congregation sings.*

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome! Today we celebrate Pentecost – the birthday of the church when Holy Spirit arrived and enlivened the apostles. Come and celebrate in worship this exciting day. Stay after worship for Third Sunday lunch, even if you didn’t bring something, do come, there is always enough and you can bring more next time. Let us worship our God, sender of Holy Spirit to nudge us!

(Please sign the attendance register and pass it along, they should go both ways in the pew so you get to know your neighbors in worship. Guests, please share your address and telephone number with us.)

Gathering Around the Word

Opening Voluntary Carson P. Cooman
“Invocation for Flute and Organ”
Dolores August, Flutist

Chimes The Entrance of the Bible

Call to Worship (Responsive)

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

These look to you to give them their food in due season.

When you open your hand they are filled with good things.

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

Let us sing to God as long as we live, sing praises to our God while we have being.

May our meditation be pleasing to God, in whom we rejoice.

Prayer of Invocation (Unison)

O God, you have spoken, and we have received the gift of life. You have opened your hand and we have been fed. You have touched us with fire and our tongues have been loosened to sing your praise. You have opened the ears of your people and barriers of understanding have come tumbling down. Guide us now in your truth that we may hear all you wish to declare to us. In Jesus’s name. Amen.

*Hymn 291

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness
(refrain, verses 1-4, refrain)

Spirit

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, we have cut ourselves off from the power of your presence, lest we be swept off our feet and be forced to see life from a new perspective. We have belittled those who speak with certainty of your transforming Spirit and turned away from truth larger than our own perceptions. We are dry bones in a valley of dry bones. How shall we live?

Silent Confession...

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Congregational Response

Hymn 288

Living God

**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.**

Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Sweep through our midst, Mighty Wind, to give us new breath. Awaken our spirits, inspire our praise, set us on fire with your love. May no one here remain unmoved by your presence or cut off from the dreams you inspire. Amen.

Music Ministry

Michael Burkhardt

“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”

Sanctuary Choir

Holy Spirit, ever dwelling in the holiest realms of light;
Holy Spirit, ever brooding o’er a world of gloom and night;
Holy Spirit, ever raising those of earth to thrones on high;
Living life-imparting Spirit, you we praise and magnify.

Holy Spirit, ever living as the Church’s very life:
Holy Spirit, ever striving o’er a world of gloom and strife;
Holy Spirit, ever forming in the Church the mind of Christ:
You we praise with endless worship for your gifts and fruit
unpriced.

Holy Spirit, ever working through the church’s ministry;
Quick’ning, and absolving, setting captive sinners free;
Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age and soul to soul
In communion never ending, you we worship and extol.

New Testament Reading

John 15:26-16:4a

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A Reading from the Gospel of John

All Praise to you, O Christ

Children’s Moment

Rev. David A. Slyter

Children’s Worship

Psalms 104: 24-34, 35b Pew Bible Page 555

Cantor: Dianna Dixon

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