

Pentecost

May 23rd, 2021

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

Veni Creator Spiritus, en taille à 5

Nicolas de Grigny

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 104

One: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: The works of the Lord are vast.

All: In wisdom, the Lord God breathed life into all the creatures of the earth.

One: He sends for his spirit, and they are created.

All: He sends for his spirit, and all things are made new.

One: May the glory of the Lord endure forever.

All: We will sing to the Lord as long as we live. We will sing praise to God.

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE

On Pentecost They Gathered

#289, vv. 1,2,4

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you poured out your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we often stand in the way of that same Spirit's movement in our community today. We fail to be channels of your love and grace, choosing to speak when we should be listening and choosing to remain silent when we should be lifting our voices. Forgive us, Lord; and renew us by the power of your Spirit to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

One: Through Jesus Christ, God has poured out the Holy Spirit upon us for the forgiveness of sins.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

✠ RESPONSE

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#289, v. 3

**God pours the Holy Spirit on all who would believe
On women, men, and children who would God's grace receive
That Spirit knows no limit, bestowing life and power
The church, formed and reforming, responds in every hour**

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please refrain from bodily contact and maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance from other households as we pass the peace this morning.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

HEBREW BIBLE READING Exodus 14:5-7,10-14,19-30a

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Richard Walters

Carolyn Gahan, soprano

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, Naught be all else to me save that Thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, thy presence, my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thy my great Father and I Thy true Son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I need not, nor man's empty praise. Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heav'n's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 12:1-19

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Tim Reynolds

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

adapted from The Confession of 1967

To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as God's reconciling community. This community, the church universal, is entrusted with God's message of reconciliation and shares God's labor of healing the enmities which separate us from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to his mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church maintains continuity with the apostles and with Israel by faithful obedience to God's call.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION AND 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 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. Amen.

RECEPTION OF THE 2021 CONFIRMATION CLASS & NEW MEMBERS

Presentation of those Making a First-Time Public Profession of Faith

Profession and Declaration of Faith

Sharing of the Covenant

Prayer of Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise

Baptism, Laying on of Hands & Prayer

Welcome

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome all of you to share with
us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.**

✠ HYMN OF SENDING *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* #475

✠ BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

✠ POSTLUDE *Veni Creator Spiritus, les grands Jeux* *Nicolas de Grigny*

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

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Sarah Morgan – Pastor

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Matthew Mimbs – Director of Music & Arts

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