

Worship Outline – May 31, 2020 (Pentecost)

Prelude *Veni Creator Spiritus* (Jean Titelouze)

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Spirit of the Living God

Tuesday Reynolds, Mezzo-Soprano

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me

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Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

Pentecost Medley

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew
That I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine
Until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; come with Pentecostal power
Give the church a stronger vision; help us face each crucial hour
Built upon a firm foundation, Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone
Still the church is called to mission that God's love shall be made known

Prayer of Confession

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on us. We rejoice in the gifts you have given us. Yet, we confess, we do not always use them to glorify you.

For using the gifts of your Spirit for selfish gain instead of using them for the common good,

forgive us, O God.

For thinking too little of ourselves, not trusting that you have given us gifts for your service,

forgive us, O God.

For believing some gifts to be better than others, ignoring how we each build up the body of Christ,

forgive us, O God.

Spirit of the Living God, melt us, mold us, fill us again with your power and use us for your work so that our lives may glorify you. Amen.

Assurance of God's Love

Passing of the Peace

During this time, members of our Session will pass the peace to you in different languages to commemorate the Pentecost event of speaking in different tongues.

First Reading – John 15:26-27; 16:7-15

Anthem

Siyahamba

(Traditional Zulu Folksong)

Angel City Chorale and the Amy Foundation Choir

Conductor: Richard Sibakhulu Mbovane

Siyahamba ekukanyan' kwenkos'

We are marching in the light of God

Second Reading – Acts 2:1-12, 37

Homily

Affirmation of Faith – *from A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

Offering

As the Deer/Fairest Lord Jesus

(arr. Hayes)

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be they 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.

Charge & Benediction

Postlude

Come, God, Creator, Holy Ghost

(J.S. Bach)