

WORSHIP FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022

Pacific Presbyterian Church and First Presbyterian Church of Union, Missouri

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We gather together because God has called us.  
All: **We wait in expectant awe for God's appearing.**  
One: We tremble before the power of the Holy Spirit.  
All: **What will happen if we let the Spirit in?**  
One: On this Pentecost, we can receive the surprises of God.  
All: **With hesitant eagerness, we welcome the Spirit.**  
**We will risk stepping into God's vision for us.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** "Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us" GtG 280

1. **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.**
2. **We would raise our alleluias  
for the grace of yester-years;  
for tomorrow's unknown pathway,  
hear, O Lord, our humble prayers.  
In the church's pilgrim journey  
you have led us all the way;  
still in presence move before us,  
fire by night and cloud by day.**
3. **Come, O Spirit, dwell among us;  
give us words of fire and flame.  
Help our feeble lips to praise you,  
glorify your holy name.**

**Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
Three in One: what mystery!  
We would sing our loud hosannas  
now and through eternity.**

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**\*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Without your power, O God, we are lost.  
We have done the things we would avoid,  
and what you desire, we have not done.  
We build walls and barriers.  
We assume and stereotype.  
We devalue difference and stick with what is known and familiar.  
Forgive our lack of courage.  
Embolden us to cross boundaries of difference  
and build bridges of understanding.  
Fill us with your Holy Spirit  
that our dreams and visions may be one with yours,  
as you gather us together and call us to your community.  
Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**\*SILENT CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**One:** In the Spirit of the Lord we confide.  
**All:** **In the mercy of God we trust.**  
**One:** By the power of God we are restored.  
**All:** **By the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ we are renewed.**  
**One:** So rejoice and celebrate this day!  
**All:** **For in Jesus Christ we are forgiven, we are loved, we are given new  
life. Alleluia! Amen!**

**\*THE PEACE**

**One:** The peace of Christ be with you.  
**All:** **And also with you.**

*(From your seat, a brief sign of peace may be shared: a wave of the hand, a nod  
of the head, etc.)*

**THE WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Genesis 11:1-9  
Acts 2 (selected)

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON** “Between Babel and Pentecost” by Pastor Bill Vincent

**\*HYMN** “In Christ Called to Baptize” GtG 297

**1. In Christ called to baptize, we witness to grace  
and gather a people from each land and race.  
In deep, flowing waters, we share in Christ’s death,  
then, rising to new life, give thanks with each breath.**

**2. In Christ called to banquet, one table we share,  
a haven of welcome, a circle of care.  
Although we are many, we share in one bread.  
One cup of thanksgiving proclaims Christ, our head.**

**3. In Christ called to witness, by grace we will preach  
the life-giving gospel; God’s love we will teach.  
By grace may our living give proof to our praise  
in costly compassion reflecting Christ’s ways.**

**4. Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love,  
for you are within us, around us, above.  
Equip us for service with gifts you bestow.  
In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.**

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**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(The Apostles’ Creed)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,**

**the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Pastor: Wondrous God...  
People: **...wash over us with your Spirit.**

## **THE EUCHARIST**

### **OFFERING**

*Invitation*

*Reflection*

*\*Unison Prayer of Dedication*

**God of wind and fire, may new life be breathed into the world because of the gifts we return to you. Grant us enhanced capacity to carry your revelation to others in ways they can understand. We seek to be to one another channels of your love and peace, both in person and through the outreach of our offerings. Amen.**

### **SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

*Invitation to the Lord's Table*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving*

Leader: The Lord be with you.  
People: **And also with you.**  
Leader: Lift up your hearts.  
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*(The prayer continues...)*

*The Lord's Prayer (Contemporary)*

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial**

**and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

*Breaking of the Bread*

*Communion of the People*

(Please hold the bread so that we may partake of it together, reflecting our unity in Christ.)

**Sing** “Come to the Table of Grace” GtG 507

- 1. Come to the table of grace.  
Come to the table of grace.  
This is God’s table;  
it’s not yours or mine.  
Come to the table of grace.**
- 2. Come to the table of peace...**
- 3. Come to the table of love...**

(Please drink the cup as you are served, reminding us of the unique selves we bring to our Lord.)

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Come to the table of grace.**
- 4. Come to the table of hope...**
- 5. Come to the table of joy...**

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*Prayer*

**SENDING**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** “O God in Whom All Life Begins” GtG 308

**1. O God in whom all life begins,  
who births the seed to fruit,  
bestow your blessing on our lives;  
here let your love find root.  
Bring forth in us the Spirit’s gifts  
of patience, joy, and peace;**

**deliver us from numbing fear,  
and grant our faith increase.**

**2. Unite in mutual ministry  
our minds and hands and hearts  
that we may have the grace to seek  
the power your peace imparts.  
So let our varied gifts combine  
to glorify your Name  
that in all things by word and deed  
we may your love proclaim.**

**3. Through tears and laughter, grief and joy,  
enlarge our trust and care;  
so bind us in community  
that we may risk and dare.  
Be with us when we gather here  
to worship, sing, and pray;  
then send us forth in power and faith  
to live the words we say.**

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**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**Pastor:** ...And let the gathered people of God say...

**People:** ...Amen.

**POSTLUDE**

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