



PRELUDE

“Majesty”

-arr. Thallander

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Hear, people of God! God is speaking through winds and voices,
calling us to follow and serve.

See, people of God! God is moving through the church and the world,
showing us how to love and lead.

Believe, people of God! God is working through all creation,
drawing us into the warmth of the spirit.

Worship, people of God!

Let us worship God together.

Let us worship God.

† **HYMN # 289**

“On Pentecost They Gathered”

On Pentecost they gathered quite early in the day,
A band of Christ’s disciples, to worship, sing, and pray.
A mighty wind came blowing, filled all the swirling air,
And tongues of fire a glowing inspired each person there.

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.

O Spirit, sent from heaven on that day long ago,
Rekindle faith among us in all life's ebb and flow.
O give us ears to listen and tongues a flame with praise,
So folk of every nation glad songs of joy shall raise.

† **OPENING PRAYER (in unison)**

Holy One, when Christ ascended into heaven to reign with you in power and glory, you sent the Spirit of truth to guide us into the way, the truth, and the life of Christ. Let your Spirit, our Advocate, guide us still— preserving us from judgment, protecting us from sin, and leading us into righteousness, so that we may testify to the good news: fullness of life and joy for all; through Jesus Christ our Savior and in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen

† **CALL TO CONFESSION**

When we don't know how or what to pray, the Spirit knows. When all we can muster are sighs and groans, the Spirit knows those also. When we feel that we aren't even worthy to approach God, the Spirit goes before us and with us and God welcomes us with arms open. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins.

† **PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)**

You cry out for us to open our hearts, but we keep them shielded from the goodness of your spirit. You call for us to open our minds, but we would rather confine them to what we already know. You long for us to open our ears, but we shy away from the language of your grace. Forgive us, God of mercy. Heal us, embrace us, and wash us in your love. Breathe your spirit on us once more, and move us to respond with lives of faithfulness.

A brief silence is kept for private confession.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Solely by the grace of Christ and not from any merit of ours, we are justified, absolved from sin and death by God the Judge. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

† **GLORIA PATRI # 581**

SOLO: Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing -Nolyn Brunner

THE PEACE

To the Lord who speaks to us, strengthens us, and blesses us with peace, be all glory and honor forever. The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of all truth, put a new and right spirit within us—your Holy Spirit—so that, as we listen for your Word in the Scripture and the sermon, we may hear your voice and respond with courage.
Amen.

FIRST LESSON Acts 2:1–21 (page 119NT)

HYMN # 288 “Spirit of the Living God” **(sung two times)**

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.

SERMON -Rev. W. James Hardy

HYMN # 279 Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

Come Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
With all thy quickening powers;
Kindle a flame of sacred love
In these cold hearts of ours.

Come Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
With all thy quickening powers;
Come, shed a-broad a Savior’s love,
And that shall kindle ours.

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation in human life. The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in which people are reconciled to God and to one another. The Spirit enables people to receive forgiveness as they forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of God as they make peace among themselves. In spite of their sin, the Spirit gives people power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and his gospel of reconciliation to all.

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.20

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY “Lift Every Voice and Sing” -Cameron Bonanno
DOXOLOGY # 606

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS

† **HYMN # 66** “Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray

Upon the mountain, when my Lord spoke,
Out of God’s mouth came fire and smoke.
Looked all around me, it looked so fine,
Til I asked my Lord if all was mine.

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

Jordan River, chilly and cold,
It chills the body but not the soul.
There is but on train upon this track.
It runs to heaven and then right back.

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

† **BLESSING AND CHARGE**

-Rev. W. James Hardy

† **POSTLUDE**

“ Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

arr. Purvis

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