

RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *adapted from A Brief Statement of Faith (11.4)*

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. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, including concerns and celebrations

OFFERING *Spirit Song* John Wimber

\*PRAISE HYMN 675 “All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night” TALLIS CANON  
(verse 4) **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*HYMN 410 “God Is Calling through the Whisper” W. ZLOBIE LEZY

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING HYMN *I Feel the Spirit* Traditional Spirituals  
**Note:** The congregation is invited to stand and clap with the choir. arr., Don Besig

\*POSTLUDE *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* arr., Philip Keveren

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Hymn numbers 2000 + in the small hymnals, *Sing the Faith*  
PIANIST: Connor Austell LITURGIST: Warren Combs  
ADULT CHOIR under the direction of Betsy Burmeister  
TRUMPET; Warren Combs FLUTIST: Emily Nazario



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# Covenant at Worship

Liturgical Color: RED Day of Pentecost 11:00am Worship

## GATHER IN GOD’S PRESENCE

PREPARATION Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart setting by John Carter

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY 283 Come, O Holy Spirit, Come Wa Wa Wa  
Note: The congregation is invited to sing when prompted. Emimimo

PRESENTATION OF THE SPIRIT CANDLE The Foskey Family

\*CALL TO WORSHIP  
We worship a creative God  
who formed all living things!  
We worship an abundant God  
who gives each of us different gifts!  
We worship a glorious God  
who is seen in the vast array of creation! Alleluia!

\*HYMN 289 “On Pentecost They Gathered” MUNICH

CALL TO CONFESSION  
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
Infinite God, you come to us in many colors, shapes, and languages.  
You speak to each of us in the way we can understand.  
You reach out to us and meet us where we are.  
But we are quick to limit you to what we can understand and control.  
Forgive us, and set your Spirit loose among us.  
Challenge us, surprise us, and open us to your power,  
that we might know you more deeply, follow you more faithfully,  
and love you more fully. Amen.

## DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

\*RESPONSE HYMN 587 “ALLELUIA!” CELTIC ALLELUIA  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
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## LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION  
Come, Teach Us, Spirit of Our God Anna Laura Page

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 2: 1-21  
Note: See insert for translations of “Jesus is Lord” to shout out when prompted.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Numbers 27: 8, 11

PROCLAMATION Dana Waters

\*HYMN 291 “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness” SPIRIT