

June 8, 2025 Sunday Gathering Pentecost Sunday

-ACKNOWLEDGEMENT-

We acknowledge that the place where we are gathered today is the ancient and ancestral homeland of more than twenty Indigenous tribes. We mourn the loss of their lives, livelihoods, homes, and cultures, and acknowledge the legacy of violence against them.

We acknowledge that the space where we worship today was established and built by those whose Black ancestors were also abused and mistreated - some even bought and sold as enslaved people right here in our city.

We acknowledge the women who've faced unfair treatment and misogyny throughout the ages and we acknowledge those who identify as LGBTQ or other who've been mistreated and misunderstood.

We acknowledge our role and responsibility as professed followers of Christ to stand for and alongside all of these and others who have been and continue to be oppressed.

-PRELUDE-

"Spirit Song" - J. Wimber Brenda Gardiner

-SINGING TOGETHER-"Welcome"

LET'S WALK TOGETHER FOR A WHILE
AND ASK WHERE WE BEGIN
TO BUILD A WORLD WHERE LOVE CAN GROW
AND HOPE CAN ENTER IN,
TO BE THE HANDS OF HEALING
AND TO PLANT THE SEEDS OF PEACE.

SINGING WELCOME,
WELCOME TO THIS PLACE.
YOU'RE INVITED
TO COME AND KNOW GOD'S GRACE.
ALL ARE WELCOME,
THE LOVE OF GOD TO SHARE.
'CAUSE ALL OF US ARE WELCOME HERE;
ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE.

-WELCOME-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Welcome"

LET'S TALK TOGETHER OF A TIME
WHEN WE WILL SHARE A FEAST,
WHERE PRIDE AND POWER KNEEL TO SERVE
THE LONELY AND THE LEAST,
AND JOY WILL SET THE TABLE
AS WE JOIN OUR HANDS TO PRAY.

SINGING WELCOME,
WELCOME TO THIS PLACE.
YOU'RE INVITED
TO COME AND KNOW GOD'S GRACE.
ALL ARE WELCOME,
THE LOVE OF GOD TO SHARE.
'CAUSE ALL OF US ARE WELCOME HERE;
ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE.

-CALL TO WORSHIP-

As we gather together in this place,
let us strain our ears to hear the rush of wind,
the crackle pop of fire.
WE LISTEN FOR YOUR CALL,
GOD OF SPIRIT AND FLAME.
WE TAKE OUR PLACE
IN YOUR UNFOLDING CREATION.

Rejoice, for God's spirit flows among us!
Rejoice, for today the church embraces transformation.
IN THE MIDST OF REBIRTH,
WE JOIN OUR VOICES IN PRAISE!
LET US WORSHIP GOD.

-OPENING PRAYER-

-GREETING ONE ANOTHER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Be Thou My Vision"

BE LORD MY VISION, O LORD OF MY HEART;

NAUGHT BE ALL ELSE TO ME SAVE THAT YOU ARE.

YOU MY BEST THOUGHT BY DAY AND BY NIGHT; WAKING OR SLEEPING, YOUR PRESENCE MY LIGHT.

BE LORD MY WISDOM, AND YOU MY TRUE WORD; I EVER WITH YOU AND YOU WITH ME, LORD. YOU MY GREAT PARENT, I YOUR DEAR CHILD; YOU IN ME DWELLING, WITH YOU RECONCILED.

BE LORD MY BREASTPLATE, MY SWORD FOR THE FIGHT;
BE LORD MY DIGNITY, YOU MY DELIGHT.
YOU MY SOUL'S SHELTER, YOU MY HIGH TOW'R;
RAISE LORD ME HEAV'NWARD, O POW'R OF MY POW'R.

RICHES I HEED NOT, NOR VAIN, EMPTY PRAISE; YOU MINE INHERITANCE, NOW AND ALWAYS. YOU AND YOU ONLY, FIRST IN MY HEART, MY GOD OF HEAVEN, MY TREASURE YOU ARE.

MY GOD OF HEAVEN, MY VICTORY WON,
MAY I REACH HEAVEN'S JOYS, O BRIGHT HEAV'NS SUN!
HEART OF MY HEART, WHATEVER BEFALL,
STILL BE MY VISION, O LOVER OF ALL.

-SCRIPTURE-

Acts 2:1-16 CEB

When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. Suddenly, a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak.

There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. They were surprised and amazed, saying, "Look, aren't all the people who are speaking Galileans, every one of them? How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language? Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; as well as residents of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the regions of Libya bordering Cyrene; and visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the mighty works of God in our own languages!" They were all surprised and bewildered. Some asked each other, "What does this mean?" Others jeered at them, saying, "They're full of new wine!"

Peter stood with the other eleven apostles. He raised his voice and declared, "Judeans and everyone living in Jerusalem! Know this! Listen carefully to my words! These people aren't drunk, as you suspect; after all, it's only nine o'clock in the morning! Rather, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your children will

prophesy. Your young will see visions. Your elders will dream dreams. Even upon my servants, men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy..."

-THE MESSAGE-

"Pentecost: The Pride Version"

Kenny Bishop

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Come, Holy Spirit"

COME, HOLY SPIRIT, WE NEED YOU.

COME, SWEET SPIRIT, WE PRAY.

COME IN YOUR STRENGTH AND YOUR POWER,

COME IN YOUR OWN GENTLE WAY.

Come as a rest for the weary, come as a balm for the sore.
Come as a dew to my dryness, fill me with joy evermore.

COME, HOLY SPIRIT, WE NEED YOU.

COME, SWEET SPIRIT, WE PRAY.

COME IN YOUR STRENGTH AND YOUR POWER,

COME IN YOUR OWN GENTLE WAY.

Come like a spring in the desert, come to the withered of soul.

Oh, let your sweet healing power touch us and make us whole.

COME, HOLY SPIRIT, WE NEED YOU.

COME, SWEET SPIRIT, WE PRAY.

COME IN YOUR STRENGTH AND YOUR POWER,

COME IN YOUR OWN GENTLE WAY.

-SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS-

-PASTORAL PRAYER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Come, Holy Spirit"

COME, HOLY SPIRIT, WE NEED YOU.

COME, SWEET SPIRIT, WE PRAY.

COME IN YOUR STRENGTH AND YOUR POWER,

COME IN YOUR OWN GENTLE WAY.

-INVITATION TO COMMUNION-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table"
I'M GONNA EAT AT THE WELCOME TABLE,
I'M GONNA EAT AT THE WELCOME TABLE, ALLELU.
I'M GONNA EAT AT THE WELCOME TABLE,
I'M GONNA EAT AT THE WELCOME TABLE, ALLELU.

I'M GONNA EAT AND DRINK WITH MY JESUS,
I'M GONNA EAT AND DRINK WITH MY JESUS, ALLELU.
I'M GONNA EAT AND DRINK WITH MY JESUS,
I'M GONNA EAT AND DRINK WITH MY JESUS, ALLELU.

I'M GONNA JOIN WITH SISTERS, BROTHERS, I'M GONNA JOIN WITH ALL THE OTHERS, ALLELU. I'M GONNA JOIN WITH SISTERS, BROTHERS, I'M GONNA JOIN WITH ALL THE OTHERS, ALLELU.

HERE, ALL THE WORLD WILL FIND A WELCOME,
HERE, ALL THE WORLD WILL FIND A WELCOME, ALLELU.
HERE, ALL THE WORLD WILL FIND A WELCOME,
HERE, ALL THE WORLD WILL FIND A WELCOME, ALLELU.

-IN GRATITUDE-

-OFFERING-

-ANNOUNCEMENTS-

-INVITATION TO RESPOND-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"O Lord, Send the Power Just Now"
WHEN THE POWER OF GOD DESCENDED
ON THE DAY OF PENTECOST
ALL THE DAYS OF WAITING ENDED
THEY RECEIVED THE HOLY GHOST.

O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW; O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW, O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW, AND BAPTIZE EVERYONE.

TONGUES OF FLAME CAME DOWN UPON THEM, AND THEY PREACH'D THE WORLD IN POW'R, LISTENING MULTITUDES AWAKENED

TURNED TO GOD THAT VERY HOUR.

O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW; O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW, O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW, AND BAPTIZE EVERYONE.

WE ARE WAITING, HOLY SPIRIT
WE ARE ALL OF ONE ACCORD
LORD, FULFILL JUST NOW THE PROMISE
THAT IS GIVEN IN YOUR WORD.

O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW; O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW, O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW, AND BAPTIZE EVERYONE.

FILL AND THRILL US WITH YOUR PRESENCE, GRANT THE BLESSING THAT WE NEED FLOOD OUR SOULS WITH WONDROUS GLORY, WHILE THE PRAYER OF FAITH WE PLEAD.

O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW; O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW, O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW, AND BAPTIZE EVERYONE.

-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"O Lord, Send the Power Just Now"
O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW;
O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW,
O LORD, SEND THE POWER JUST NOW,
AND BAPTIZE EVERYONE.