

IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

110 Boone Street - Bromley, Kentucky 41016

**Rev. Kay Young, Pastor** 

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### Order of Worship & Liturgy Sunday – June 5, 2022 – 10:45 AM

PRELUDE: "Let Us Break Bread Together"

(Lauren Arnold)

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER

### **GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP** 

(Laura leads congregation)

(Shirley Pierce & Mike Hagar)

- Leader: Even after the resurrection, the disciples were weighed down with worry and Jesus assured them they were not alone:
- People: "The Holy Spirit, sent in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all I have said to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled; do not let them be afraid."
- Leader: After the resurrection the disciples were burdened by fears, Jesus calmed them and said:
- All: When our souls are burdened and dry, the Holy Spirit blows through our lives, bringing us new life. Alleluia! Praise to You, O Christ! **Amen**!

# **RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELLS**

# \* HYMN: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (No. 393)

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, Until my heart is pure, Until with Thee I will one will, To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God, Blend all my soul with Thine, Until this earthly part of me Glows with Thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God, So shall I never die, But live with Thee the perfect life Of Thine eternity. (Laura introduces hymn)

(Pastor Kay) (Laura Reis)

### \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, Divine Comforter, peace is absent from our hearts. From pain to grief, and from turmoil to frustrations, we yearn for what we lack. We ache for the pains and injustices of this world to cease. What we forget is to pause and voice our concerns to you. How can we better integrate your presence in our lives? When have we forgotten to include you in our joys and heartaches? Move us to seek you and speak the burdens of our hearts to you and may your Spirit refill our souls with peace. **Amen**.

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

The Spirit of God delivers grace and peace as we move through our journeys and inspires us to connect with God and neighbor to create a world of hope and joy. **Amen**!

# \* ACT OF PRAISE: "Gloria Patri" (No. 812)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen! Amen!

PRAYER CONCERNS (brief Prayer List updates)

# PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

### \* RESPONSE TO PRAYER: "Our Prayer"

Father, hear us as we pray; Guard and keep us day by day; Help us feel Thy loving care, every day and everywhere. Help us to be good and true, Jesus' work on earth to do; All we have with others share, every day and everywhere. Amen.

# YOUTH TIME & JINGLE OFFERING FOR THE IUCC CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FUND

# **SCRIPTURE INTRODUCTION & READINGS**

<u>Introduction to Scriptures</u>: **Acts 2** reveals the awesome power of God to the disciples who are overwhelmed with sorrow when the room is filled with a mighty wind bringing the Holy Spirit into their midst. Peter later reassures the people who have witnessed the disciples' irrational behavior during the windstorm. The intent of **John** is to form a community of believing and obedient people who understand that they will not be left alone. Jesus reassures them that an Advocate, the Holy Spirit, will be with them always. Although Jesus is absent in body, he will live in them through the Spirit.

# Acts 2:1-21 (NRSV)

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and

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proselytes, Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

### John 14:8-17 (NRSV)

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

May God bless the reading, hearing and understanding of these – His holy words. Amen!

### SERMON: <u>"Spirit Moves – God's Vision & Our Dreams Become Real"</u> (Rev. Diane Vego)

\* HYMN: "Spirit of the Living God" (No. 389)

(Laura introduces hymn)

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on me.

Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me. Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me. Cleanse me, teach me, hold me, reach me. Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.

Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear. Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear. Shield me, free me, call me, lead me. Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table & Consecration of the Bread and the Cup

### THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate: was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the one holy universal Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and life everlasting. **Amen**.

### **TITHES & OFFERINGS**

### Invitation to Offering

Because of our love for the Divine Giver, we seek ways to share our love through our treasures, talents and time. Whether we give in this hour or throughout this week, may we remember that God's Spirit encircles these gifts with love and hope. Let us now gather our tithes and offerings.

### Offertory Music: <u>"Holy Spirit"</u> (by Francesca Battistelli)

\* <u>Doxology</u> (No. 815)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God, with love, all heavens above. Praise God, who brings all life and love. **Amen**.

Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

Holy Winds of Excitement, may the gifts we share today and throughout this week nudge us to dream your dreams. May our giving inspire us to embrace your visions for our world. Holy Spirit, enliven our souls to create your realm of justice and peace on earth. **Amen**.

### \* HYMN: "God of Our Fathers" (No. 809)

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand Leads forth in beauty all the starry band Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past, In this free land by Thee our lot is cast; Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide, and Stay, Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, They strong arm our ever sure defense; Thy true religion in our hearts increase, Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way. Lead us from night to never-ending day; Fill all our lives with love and grace divine; And glory, laud and praise be ever Thine!

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(Singing, Lauren Arnold)

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POSTLUDE: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

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