

Grace Presbyterian Church

5 June 2022

9:30am

Pentecost Sunday

*Rooted in Christ, We Gather in Spirit.
Welcome to Worship!*



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We Gather

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please remain seated for Hymn #283 and the Call to Worship)

HYMN *Come, O Holy Spirit, Come* No. 283 (Sing 2xs)

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Come, from every corner of the earth,
from every time and place,
from south and north,
from east and west,

Let us gather

HYMN *Come, O Holy Spirit, Come* No. 283 (Sing 1xs)

For the spirit of God is being poured out upon us
even now,
in this place,
upon the young and the old,
the women and the men,
slaves and free,
upon each of us here.

Come, let us worship God.

HYMN* *Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove* No. 279

¹ Seasons of the Spirit- June 5, 2022

OPENING PRAYER²

As we gather today, O God,
we thank you for the spirit of your love.
As a wind sweeps over the plains,
through mountain passes
and city streets,
we ask that your spirit sweep through this place,
refreshing us with the breeze of your grace.
As the story of your presence has swept
through the pages of our history
may we remember,
and open ourselves to the breath of your Holy Spirit,
which you offer to us all. Amen.

PRAYERS OF APPROACH & CONFESSION³

Loving God,
your Spirit is all around us,
refreshing us,
giving energy and hope.

**And yet, too often, we do not see it
because we are caught
up in our day-to-day affairs.**

**Hear us as we come to you
in a moment of confession.**

**Hear the honesty of our hearts as we tell you
that we are sorry for the times we ignore you.**

Come, fill us with your Spirit of newness.

Challenge and equip us to live our lives with you at the
center. **Amen.**

² Seasons of the Spirit- June 5, 2022

³ Seasons of the Spirit- June 5, 2022

WORDS OF AFFIRMATION⁴

The Spirit hovers like a dove of peace over our lives,
waiting to give us new gifts each day.
God never refuses to gather us into the harmony of love.
We are forgiven. Life is restored and renewed.

Thanks be to God!

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Called to be one in Christ Jesus, we are made
to love one another in unity and grace.
Peace be with you!

And also with you.

We Reflect

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION⁵

**Dear God, let us not only hear of you
but see you with our own eyes through your
Word. May we also experience your presence
by the Holy Spirit.
In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

HYMN *Spirit of the Living God* No. 288

OT SCRIPTURE LESSON Genesis 11:1-9

NT SCRIPTURE LESSON John 14:8-17 & 25-27

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⁵ Seasons of the Spirit- June 5, 2022

*Response of Praise and Prayer*⁷

**We give you thanks, O Lord, for you have filled us with good things. May this glimpse of your kingdom sustain us, give us eyes to see you at work in every place, and strength to be your body in the world. As you have blessed and broken the bread, bless us and let your light shine through the cracks. Make us your people, again and again, light for the world.
In Jesus' name. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**May we never forget the world, O God.
May we never walk past what needs to be transformed, but with your spirit may we become the change.**

In conflict may we be peace.
In hunger may we be bread.
In prejudice may we be friendship.
In deceit may we be truth.
In community may we be justice.
In poverty may we be empowerment.

**In silence may we be a voice.
In darkness may we be light.
In dogma may we be renewal.
In faith may we be welcome.
In certainty may we be questions.**

By your Spirit, O God;
in your Spirit, O God;

⁷ Ibid

through your Spirit, O God,
may we walk beside all that needs to be transformed
and, in Spirit, become the change the world needs.

**Hear us;
live in us;
call us. Amen.**

OUR GIFTS OF SACRIFICE and THANKSGIVING

*Invitation*⁸

We live in the wonderful reality of God's promise. We live in the joyous hope of God's new day. Let us give thanks to God as we share our gifts and make an offering.

Thank you to all those whose gifts and offerings have sustained the church during these difficult times. Plates are available in the sanctuary to receive your offering. You can give online by visiting the church website.

Musical Meditation Vince DiMura

*Doxology**

God, We Honor You

No. 709

**God, we honor you. God, we trust in you.
God we worship and adore you.
Take what we bring, offered to you.
Teach us to show your abundant blessing.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Amen.**

⁸ Seasons of the Spirit- June 5, 2022

Prayer of Dedication^{*9}

The breath that fills balloons
and the noise as they burst.
The tree crammed into a seed
and the house it will one day become.
The voice that sings a song of freedom
and repeats until the whole world joins the chorus.
The child who has one question to ask: "Why?"
and asks it again and again and again.
The book full of words
waiting to fill an imagination with dreams and
alternative worlds.
The church restless for new shoes
to take her off exploring.
To the possibility,
persistence,
growth,
imagination,
and adventure
of the Spirit,
we dedicate ourselves.
The stuff that makes things happen
is the energy of God –
the Spirit,
moving across the church,
and we will be part of it. Amen.

⁹ Seasons of the Spirit- June 5, 2022

We Are Sent

CLOSING HYMN* *For Everyone Born*

No. 769

BENEDICTION*

May the Spirit always dance in your souls.
May the Spirit journey with you, so nothing is ever taken
for granted, and may the Spirit tell you in a million
different ways you are known and held and loved by God.

POSTLUDE

****Indicates please stand in body and/or in spirit.***

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