

*The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent,
personal preparation for the worship of God.*

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

- Fantasy on “Veni, Creator Spiritus” Richard Proulx
Variations on “Veni, Creator Spiritus” Maurice Duruflé

Introit

- “Hail This Joyful Day’s Return” Plainsong
*Hail this joyful day’s return, hail the Pentecostal morn;
morn when our ascended Lord on his church his Spirit poured!*

- *Doxology (*sung*). The Hymnal, 606

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. Amen.

*Call to Worship

Minister: *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.*

People: Let us worship God!

*Prayer of Praise

- *Hymn 280 “Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us”

**Stand as you are able.*

Prayer of Confession

Holy Spirit, some of us are not sure we're ready
for your awesome power to blow through our lives.
Perhaps we've grown comfortable
with our familiar habits and our routines.
So when we cling to our ways and the safety of familiar paths,
wake us up, shake us up, heat us up, and breathe your life into us.
Walk with us, O God, and give us the courage to follow the way
that is lit by the fire of your Spirit.
On this Day of Pentecost, we pray for the audacity
to ride the winds of your change. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

Minister: *Friends, believe the good news:*
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Concerns of the Church

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalm 104:24-34 Old Testament, page 525

*Gloria Patri (*sung*) The Hymnal, 581

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.

Scripture Lesson

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13. New Testament, page 163

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Shannon J. Kershner

Responding to the Word

*Hymn 529 “Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*) Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory Anthem

“The Spirit of the Lord” Tony Way

The Spirit of the Lord fills the whole world, alleluia.

Pour out the wine of your Spirit, O Lord; may we be filled with your love.

Then shall we be strong, our hearts and lips cleansed by your sacred flame.

*Offertory Response



For the life that you have giv-en, for the love in Christ made known,



with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these gifts that are your own:



here we of - fer, Lord, our prai - ses; heart and mind and strength we bring.



Give us grace to love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

Sealing the Word

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

Minister: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And also with you.**

Minister: *Lift up your hearts.*

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Minister: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayer

Minister: *It is truly right and our greatest joy . . .*

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Sanctus (*sung*) The Hymnal, 572

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Minister: . . . *Great is the mystery of faith!*

Memorial Acclamation (*sung*). The Hymnal, 573

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The Communion

Communion Anthems

"Veni Creator Spiritus" Timothy C. Takach

Come, Creator Spirit, visit the minds of your own people; fill with grace from above the hearts that you have created. Glory be to the Father, and also to the Son, begotten, who from the dead has risen, and to the comforter Holy Spirit, for ages upon ages. Amen.

“Spirit, I Have Heard You Calling” Thew Elliot

Spirit, I have heard you calling, like a memory long grown dim, crying from creation’s moment, seeking voice from deep within. I have heard you in my longing. I have heard you in my pain. Now I feel you moving in me, feel you burning like a flame. Now I see you all around me; now I hear you call my name. Now I speak the words you give me; now I feed creation’s flame. You are speaking through my longing; you are speaking through my pain. Now I feel you moving in me, and I’ll never be the same. Since you moved upon my waters, since you spoke and set me free, I have yearned for this communion, for your fire inside of me. Now your love defines my longing; now your love shines through my pain. Now we dance in endless union, singing out creation’s name!

Psalm 23 (recited in unison after all have received the cup)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul; he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for his name’s sake. Yea, though I walk through
the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies;
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*Prayer after Communion (unison)

Creative God, the time has come to go back into the world,
and we pray that our worship of you will continue
in every moment of our lives.
May our time in this sanctuary nourish us
as we seek to serve those around us and to ease the pain in our world.
We pray for your sustaining love to give us courage
and a sense of your presence not just today but in all the days to come.
Amen.

Bearing the Word into the World

*Hymn 282 “Come Down, O Love Divine”

*Benediction and Response

Postlude

Veni, Creator Spiritus Leo Sowerby

Worship Leaders

Hardy H. Kim, Ken Nicholson, Judith L. Watt, and Shannon J. Kershner

The Music Today

The Men's Choir; Sean Stanton, flutist and soloist
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Worship Notes

THE DAY OF PENTECOST celebrates the birth of the church and the giving of the Holy Spirit to the disciples of Jesus. Red, which is the liturgical color for the day, symbolizes the pentecostal fire of the Holy Spirit, and our processional ribbons evoke the wind from heaven, as described in the Acts of the Apostles.

THE FOURTH CHURCH MEN'S CHOIR is singing in worship through July 16; the Women's Choir will be singing from July 23 through September 3.

TODAY FOURTH CHURCH CELEBRATES THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER. Communion is not just for Presbyterians or "members of the church." All who confess Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, even those who doubt or whose trust is wavering, are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper, in which we are assured of God's love and grace. This morning the congregation is served in the pews by Fourth Church youth, elders, and deacons. The congregation also takes on the role of serving: worshipers take the bread (which is gluten-free) and grape juice from the plate held by their neighbor, and then they take the plate and serve the neighbor on their other side. Empty glasses are placed in the ringed holes in the pew racks.

THE BULLETIN COVER photograph shows a candle photographed in the Fourth Church Sanctuary. The lights on the chandeliers in the background evoke the Acts 2 account of Pentecost, when what looked like tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of the disciples. The cover quote is from Jan Richardson's blessing "When We Breathe Together" in her book *Circle of Grace: A Book of Blessings for the Seasons*.

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