

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

June 9, 2019 – Day of Pentecost

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Earthly wisdom is doing what comes naturally. Godly wisdom is doing what the Holy Spirit compels us to do.
~Charles Stanley

PRELUDE *Hymn To Joy/Spirit Of God* Beethoven/Jordan

WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH

INTROIT *Come, Bring Your Burdens to God* GG: 851

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

People: For God has done wondrous things for us.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with the power of the rushing wind that we may faithfully serve you in all that we do.

People: For Christ has called each of us and blessed us!

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Be with us today.

People: Help us to boldly proclaim Christ Risen.

*HYMN *Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us* GG: 280

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Lord God, you know what haunts our hearts. There is much to fear in the world, and so we let that fear rule us. We want people to like us, we want to be successful, we want security and comfort and control over our lives. We are afraid to surrender to you. But your spirit comes to us, and grounds us in your love, a love that transforms and transcends. Nothing can separate us from your love. Bring your holy fire upon us this day to ignite a spark of joy in our hearts and our voices. Bring the power of your rushing wind through our spirits that we may be turned in new directions for service and witness to your love. We pray this in Jesus' Name.

(A moment for silent examination and confession.)

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: We hear the rushing of wind and feel a leaping in our hearts.

People: We submit ourselves to love, above all things. Spirit, continue to show us the way! Amen.

*RESPONSE *Take, O Take Me as I Am* (sing 2x) GG: 698

**All: Take, O take me as I am;
Summon out what I shall be;
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: Hear the teaching of Christ: A new command I give you, that you love one another as I have loved you. The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

HEARING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Battle Hymn of the Republic* arr. Jay Althouse

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

*HYMN *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* GG: 286

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 1:1-5, pg. 1

SCRIPTURE: Romans 8:31-39, pg. 158

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SERMON “Nothing Can Separate Us from the Love of God” Rev. Abbie Huff

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *The Murmur Of A Dove’s Song* setting by John Carter

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* tune GG: 606

All: **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.**

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

All: **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.**

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

GOING OUT INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN *As the Wind Song* GG: 292

BENEDICTION RESPONSE *God Be with You Till We Meet Again* GG: 541

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fanfare Postlude

Douglas Wagner

*All who are able please stand. ***Latecomers seated.