## Pentecost Sunday

10:00 a.m. May 19, 2024

Entering God's Presence

Welcome, Life in the Community, and Ritual of Friendship

\*Hymn 300

We Are One in the Spirit

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

\*Expressing of Joy

Leader: God's Spirit has been poured upon all flesh.

People: That Spirit rests upon us like flames of fire,

Leader: That we may be light in the world's darkness

People: And warmth in the world's coldness.

Leader: The Spirit has been poured upon us like a mighty wind,

People: Refreshing us in love, renewing us in strength, and leading us to serve.

Leader: May the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray. (Congregation seated.)

Prayer of Trust and Confidence

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confession of our Need for God's Forgiveness (unison)

Amazing God, you pour your living Spirit into our lives. We confess that we are too often blind to your presence. You stir us like the unpredictable wind – suggesting astonishing things. You sweep over us like flames of fire, yet we persist in ignoring your light and your love. Forgive the lifelessness of our spirits; make us truly receptive to your life-giving Spirit.

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

The Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Hymn 289 *On Pentecost They Gathered* 

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Genesis 11:1-9 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 8 in the pew Bible.]

Anthem *Good Shepherd* 

Acts 2:1-12 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 111 in the pew Bible.]

Sermon

In Praise of Small Talk

The Rev. Vance E. Polley

Gwyneth Walker

\*The Apostle's Creed (*Traditional Version*, Page 35) and *Gloria Patri* (No. 581)

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.

Ministry of Prayer [Text prayer requests to: (843) 437-4239]

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\*At the Presentation

Doxology (No. 606)

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Prayer of Dedication, concluding with The Lord's Prayer

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.

\*Hymn 291

Spirit

James K. Manley

<sup>\*</sup>Benediction

<sup>\*</sup>Going Out into the World

<sup>\*</sup>Those that are able, please stand.