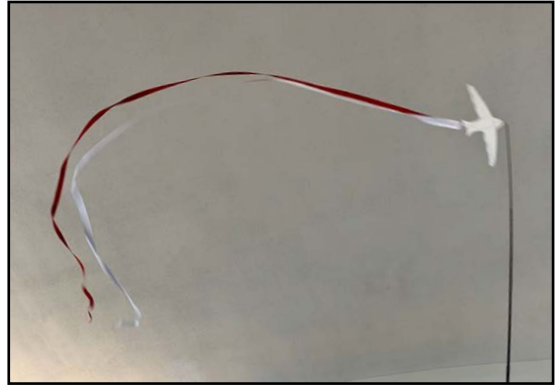




Hudson Memorial
Presbyterian Church (USA)



To know, love, and serve God in Jesus Christ



PENTECOST



Service for the Lord's Day

May 28, 2023

We Gather to Worship

People's Preparation

"Pentecost" comes from a Greek word meaning fiftieth day. On this day, the Holy Spirit came with wind and flame, empowering the disciples to proclaim the good news of the risen Lord to all people. Falling on the fiftieth day of the season of Easter, Pentecost represents the culmination of the church's seven-week celebration of Christ's resurrection. As the Lord's Day is sometimes called the "eighth day" of creation, Pentecost is a day of new creation—all things transformed and made new by the Word and Breath of the living God. On the Day of Pentecost we give particular thanks for the gift of God's Holy Spirit, who gathers the church as the body of Christ and sends us to share in Christ's mission throughout the world.

- *Book of Common Worship (2018)*

Prelude

Canon in D
Johannes van Die, piano

Johann Pachelbel

Welcome

Introit

How Lovely, Lord (Psalm 84)

Arlo Duba, Hal Hopson

Call to Worship*

Psalm 47:1-2, 5-6 (*The Message* Translation)

One: Applause, everyone. Bravo, bravissimo!

Many: Shout God-songs at the top of your lungs, God Most High is stunning, astride land and ocean.

One: Loud cheers as God climbs the mountain, a ram's horn blast at the summit.

Many: Sing songs to God, sing out!

All: Let us worship God!

Processional Hymn #289*

On Pentecost They Gathered

Huber, Mendelssohn

289 On Pentecost They Gathered



1 On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered quite ear - ly in the day,
 2 The peo - ple all a - round them were star - tled and a - mazed
 3 God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it on all who would be - lieve,
 4 O Spir - it, sent from heav - en on that day long a - go,



a band of Christ's dis - ci - ples, to wor - ship, sing, and pray.
 to un - der - stand their lan - guage, as Christ the Lord they praised.
 on wom - en, men, and chil - dren who would God's grace re - ceive.
 re - kin - dle faith a - mong us in all life's ebb and flow.



A might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,
 What u - ni - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?
 That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.
 O give us ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,



and tongues of fire a - glow - ing in - spired each per - son there.
 That Christ, once dead, is ris - en to van - quish all our fear.
 The church, formed and re - form - ing, re - sponds in ev - ery hour.
 so folk of ev - ery na - tion glad songs of joy shall raise.



We Repent and Confess

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

One: O Creator, in the beginning your Spirit moved across the chaotic waters. You created a world for us to name, to tend, and to share with all your creatures. But we wanted more; we have always wanted more.

Choir (*Hymn #288*):

Spirit of the living God,

Fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God,

Fall afresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

One: O Creator, in the beginning you planted a garden where we could meet with you, and learn from you. But already we had gone our own way; we still go our own way and then hide from the consequences. We seek wealth rather than commonwealth; we seek our gain rather than the good of our neighbor.

Congregation (*Hymn #288*):

Spirit of the living God,

Fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God,

Fall afresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

One: Loving Creator, you created us not to be alone, but to seek each other's company to give and receive love freely. And this we do - but we also desire to possess, to control, to fence in and fence out, to hold onto power, even if our grasp enslaves others and ourselves.

Congregation (*Hymn #288*):

Spirit of the living God,

Fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God,

Fall afresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Words of Renewal

Passing of the Peace*

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

Please stand and offer a sign of Christ's peace to those around you.

We Hear God's Word

Reception of New Members

Congregational Response #306 (v. 1)* *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

“Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.”

Anthem

I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing

I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing . . . and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
I'm gonna preach when the Spirit says preach . . . and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
I'm gonna pray when the Spirit says pray . . . and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
I'm gonna shout when the Spirit says shout . . . and obey the Spirit of the Lord.”

Words & Music: Traditional Spiritual, arr. Howard Helvey
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Prayer of Illumination (Unison)

God of power and grace, fill us with the wisdom of your word and the understanding of your Spirit so that we may be your church: a people with dreams and visions at work in all the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Lesson

1 Corinthians 12:4-13

NT p. 174

Sermon

Mac Schafer

Affirmation of Faith (Unison)*

The Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

We Respond in Faith

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Largo

G.F. Handel

Doxology #609*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia!”

Prayer & 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.

We Bear and Follow the Word into the World

Recessional Hymn #694*

Great God of Every Blessing

Gambrell, Wesley

694 Great God of Every Blessing

1 Great God of ev - ery bless - ing, of faith - ful, lov - ing care,
 2 Your Word is our sal - va - tion, the source of end - less grace,
 3 Your Spir - it is our teach - er, the light that guides our search,

you are the fount of good - ness, the dai - ly bread we share.
 in death and life ex - tend - ing your cov - e - nant em - brace.
 trans - form - ing bro - ken peo - ple in - to the ho - ly church.

How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:
 In Christ we are one bod - y; each mem - ber has a part:
 For feed - ing us with mer - cy, for wis - dom you im - part:

sin - cere - ly and com - plete - ly I of - fer you my heart.

Litany of Sending & Benediction*

One: The Spirit moves on.

Many: Our journey has just begun.

One: The Spirit calls us to travel on.

Many: Our journey has just begun.

One: We are called to journey on the way of the servant, the way of the cross.

Many: Our journey has just begun.

One: Will you sing the Spirit's song in your heart?

Many: We will.

One: Will you love sincerely, resist evil and hold fast to what is good?

Many: We will.

One: Will you speak no arrogance, but keep company with the ordinary, the humble, offering hospitality, treating one another with love and respect?

Many: We will. Offering ourselves as a servant community, we will walk with God, following Jesus, moved by the wind and the fire of the Spirit.

One: The Spirit has called us.

Many: Our journey has just begun.

Choral Response*

May the Love of the Lord

Maria Ling, Swee Hong Lim

Postlude

Sonata Fugata

Francesco Durante

**Rise, in body or spirit*

Welcome

We are delighted you have joined us for worship today! If you are a guest, please stop at one of the entryway tables for a gift bag and information about the church.

Worship Notes

New Members joining today are Susan & Don Jones, Laura Jones, Jim & Mona Knight, Susan Potter, and Todd Wadford.

Chancel Flowers today are given by Chancel Guild to the Glory of God and in honor of Pentecost.

Ushers today - JoLee Carpenito, Tom Carpenito, Tony Bedini, Ron Ash

Soundboard Operator - John Whisler

Livestream Operator - Erik Jacobsen

Deacon on Call (DOC) for May is Billy Branch. DOC for June is Ruth Herpich. If you are in need of prayer, comfort or assistance, please call the confidential Deacon Prayer line at 919-787-1086.

Memory Book is open today to Memorials given November 28, 2021 - In Memory of Betty Congleton by Linda & Barton Meeks.

Hymns, anthems and texts used with permission (CCS #8034 and CCLI #2211695).

Large print bulletins are available at the Sanctuary entrances.

Images on cover - Pentecost decorations at Hudson

May Special Offering

Shelter Ministries - Final Week to Reach Our Goal!

Our Special Offering for May is for Shelter Ministries and your donations this year will go to Habitat for Humanity's Interfaith Build. Without additional sources of funding for the Interfaith Build, we rely on Special Offerings to support our primary mission partners, of which Habitat is one, as well as other outreach ministries. The committee has committed \$6,500 as our portion of the Interfaith Build and we are confident that the congregation can make this happen. **We are currently 40% of the way to our goal.**



You can give by designating your donation on an envelope placed into the offering plate, or by online giving specifically to Shelter Ministries through the church's website by clicking the QR code or visiting hmpc.org. You can text the donation amount with the word "Shelter" to 888-906-0744. Example text: 25 Shelter. You can also mail a check with "Shelter Ministries" in the memo line to the church office: 4921 Six Forks Rd,

Raleigh, 27609.

Adult Education Summer Series

9:30-10:20am Sundays | Westminster Hall

June 4 - HMPC Trivia

June 11 - "Christians & Care for the Earth" with Ron Ash

June 18 - Hands-on Mission Event: Packing meals for Meals On Wheels

June 25 & July 9 - "Sin, Guilt & Responsibility in the Bible & Today" with Jimmy Hulsey

July 16 - Focus on Hunger Action: Update from the Food Bank

Summer Fellowship

June 2 - Fellowship Friday - 5:30pm

Join us at Cafe Capistrano/Altered State for outdoor seating and fellowship!

This is a family-friendly gathering (and dogs are welcome too!)

More detailed information in the Weekly Window.

June 7 - Summer Supper - 6:00pm - Westminster Hall

Delicious healthy meals and fellowship! More info in the Weekly Window.

June 30 - Fellowship Friday: Bingo Night - Westminster Hall

Doors open at 6:00 and Bingo starts at 6:30pm. A light supper will be provided.

July 12 - Summer Supper - 6:00pm - Westminster Hall

July 28 - Fellowship Friday: “Design & Unwind” - 6:30pm

An evening of painting with HMPC member Cyndi Harris.

Enjoy mocktails & light hors d’oeuvres! For ages 12 and up.

August 2 - Summer Supper - 6:00pm - Westminster Hall



TIME AND TALENT

Sharing Your Gifts with the HMPC Community

We understand life is busy, but we are a better church when we share our gifts.

What are you interested in getting involved with?

Where can you help support and enrich our community?

Please circle areas of interest and places where you can share your time and talent. No need to circle areas where you are already active.

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| Arts Camp | Greeter | Soundboard |
| Adult Education | Human Resources | Speaking |
| Children's Events | Liturgist | Teaching |
| Children's Message | Live-streaming | Technology |
| Children's Sunday School | Men's Groups | Usher |
| Communion Prep | Mission Activities | Vacation Bible School |
| Confirmation Mentor | Music | Van Driver |
| Elder Care | Nursery | Women's Groups |
| Fellowship Events | Office Volunteer | Worship Preparation |
| Finance | Photography | Writing/Proofreading |
| Food preparation | Preschool | Youth Leadership |
| Gardening | Property Maintenance | Youth Sunday School |

Other: _____

I am interested in the following Board/Committee/Guild/Ministry: _____

Name: _____

Email/Phone: _____

Please tear off the filled-out form and place in the offering plate during the offertory.