

Welcome to Worship!

May 23, 2021

Pentecost Sunday

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "May" Tchaikovsky

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP BASED ON PSALM 104

Leader: O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

People: When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

Leader: When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

People: May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works—

Leader: who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

People: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

Leader: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord.

People: Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord! Amen

OPENING HYMN: Come Down O Love Divine No. 330

UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER (DEBTS)

Lord, as our lives need strength and comfort, help us know which to choose as we emerge to be your people. Give us Your Spirit to sustain our love, as when your Son taught us to pray saying: *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*

GLORIA PATRI NO. 734

Glory be to the Creator, and to the Christ: And to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

THE MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

READING OF THE WORD

Acts 2: 1-21

Romans 8: 22-27

SERMON "Shaken or Stirred?"

HYMN OF REFLECTION:

Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart No. 132

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" Fox

While we are not physically together we encourage you to mail your offering (P.O. Box 128, Greenland, NH 03840); or give online by clicking on the icon on our Facebook page. Thank you.

DOXOLOGY No. 34

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN: On Pentecost They Gathered No. 334

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Immortal, Invisible" Partyka

HYMNS FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY

OPENING HYMN: Come Down O Love Divine No. 330

1. Come down, O Love divine, seek out this soul of mine and visit it with your own ardor glowing: O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.

2. O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming: and let your glorious light shine every on my sight, and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

3. And so the yearning strong with which the soul will long shall far out-pass the power of human telling: for none can guess God's grace, till love creates a place, wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

HYMN OF REFLECTION:

SPIRIT OF GOD DESCEND UPON MY HEART

NO. 132

1. Spirit of God, descend upon my heart, free it from sin, through all its pulses move. Stoop to my weakness, mighty as you are, and make me love you as I ought to love.
2. I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil or clay, no angel visitant, no opening skies, but take the dimness of my soul away.
3. Did you not bid us love you, God and King, love you with all our heart and strength and mind? I see your cross there teach my heart to cling. O let me seek you and O let me find!
4. Teach me to feel that you are always night; teach me the struggles of the soul to bear, to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh; teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.
5. Teach me to love you as your angels love, one holy passion filling all my frame: the baptism of the heaven descended Dove, my heart an altar, and your love the flame.

CLOSING HYMN: ON PENTECOST THEY GATHERED NO. 334

1. On Pentecost they gathered quite early in the day, a band of Christ's disciples, to worship, sing, and pray. A mighty wind came blowing, filled all the swirling air, and tongues of fire a glowing inspired each person there.
2. The people all around them were startled and amazed to understand their language, as Christ the Lord they praised. What universal message, what great good news was here? That Christ, once dead, is risen to vanquish all our fear.
3. God pours the Holy Spirit on all who would believe, on women, men, and children who would God's grace receive. That Spirit knows no limit, bestowing life and power. The church, formed and reforming, responds in every hour.
4. O Spirit, sent from heaven on that day long ago, rekindle faith among us in all life's ebb and flow. O give us ears to listen and tongues a flame with praise, so people of all nations glad songs of joy shall raise.

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***GOD CALLS US TOGETHER TO WELCOME ALL
AND TO SERVE GOD, EACH OTHER, THIS COMMUNITY,
AND THE WORLD
IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST'S LOVE.***

✠ ALL ARE WELCOME! ✠