

The Service for the Lord's Day

Pentecost Sunday and Service of Confirmation

Welcome! We are glad that you are here. We hope that you are blessed by your encounter with God today.

*The * indicates points in the service where you are invited to stand, if that is comfortable for you.*

However, if it is better for you to remain seated, feel free to do so.

*All are invited to join in speaking or singing when **Bolded** words appear.*

May 20, 2018

The service begins with the music of preparation.

9:30 am

Gathering the Community of Faith

Prelude

Lead On, O King Eternal
Andrew Lederach, bass clarinet

Lloyd Larson

Call to Worship

Rev. Nancy Asbury, Matthew Runk, Daniel Cleary

Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Frankie Lentine, Amanda Lippert,

Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Andrew Lederach

Come, fire, and burn! Come, wind, and scatter!

Come, dove, and bring peace!

Come, brooder over the waters, and make us creative!

Come, tongues of fire, and give us speech!

Come, Spirit of God, and confound the proud!

Come, Spirit of Christ, and unite your people!

Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Proclamation of the Story of Pentecost: Acts 2:1-21

Response

Matthew Runk

When the day of Pentecost had come they were all together in one place and all of the many foreigners heard the witnesses speaking in their own tongue.

Come, Holy Spirit, witness to us also in the language of our lives.

*Hymn 407 Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers (stanzas 1,3,4)

Call to Confession

Daniel Cleary

Speak in the language of our weakness. Let us hear how even our most uncaring acts, can be redeemed by your forgiving love.

Come, Holy Spirit, give us that good news again.

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ.

Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Silent Reflection and Prayer

Response

Lord Have Mercy

Assurance of Grace

The Spirit we are given is not a spirit of fear, but a Spirit of power and of a sound mind. Let us stand

and praise the one who sets us free!

*Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father and Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

*Greeting in the Spirit

Let us greet one another in the power of the Holy Spirit that is here in our midst. Comfort and joy be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Proclaiming God's Word

Children's Message

Children's Offering will be collected as they come forward for the Message.

All children and youth are invited to remain in worship.

Childcare for infants through two-year-olds available in the nursery, room 11.

Anthem

My Spirit's Gonna Shine
Memorial Ringers

Dan Edwards

Prayer for Illumination

Speak in the language of our needs. Let us hear how our deepest hungers, desires, and aspirations can be fulfilled by your goodness and in your service.

Come, Holy Spirit, give us that good news again.

Scripture Reading John 14:25-27 (pg.877)

Message

Rev. Nancy Asbury

Sealing God's Word

Service of Reaffirmation of Baptism - Confirmation Class of 2018

Daniel Scott Cleary

Thomas Ryan Fasano

Grace Isabella Jernigan

Abigail Elizabeth Lantos

Andrew Christman Lederach

Caroline Elizabeth Lemire

Tristan Lee Lemire

Francis Wood Lentine

Amanda Rose Lippert

Jack Miller

Kevin James Minch

Carter Anton Risse

Matthew Stearns Runk

Hymn 691

Lord, When I Came into This Life

Please list prayers on pink slips located in pew racks - pass them to ushers during the hymn.

Responding to God's Word

Invitation to Offering

Amanda Lippert

Speak in the language of our gratitude. Let us hear how our honest thanks relate us, not only to those with whom we live, but also to you, the Lord and Giver of life.

Come, Holy Spirit, give us that enlarging news again. . .

Offertory

Bless Your Church, O Lord

Robert Lau

Bless your church, O Lord: for love of her you died. May she be a beacon of light where love and peace abide. You have chosen us to be consecrated to you. As we learn to live your love may it show in all we do. Lift, Lord your gracious face; give us your holy peace. May the light of your sweet grace be in us and never cease. The gate of time swings wide; your promise will not fail. In dedicated lives to you our compassion will prevail. Hear our prayer. When we face life's trials, guide us with a promise bright; we will follow with conviction Lord, led by Jesus Christ, the light.

*Response

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

O God, on this day of Pentecost we celebrate your Spirit so freely given and so powerfully active within your church. As that Spirit moves in our midst, may it inspire us towards generosity and fire us with an energy to serve you well. We ask this in the name of Christ whose promise of presence the Spirit fulfills. Amen.

Call to Prayer

Frankie Lentine

Speak in the language of our fear. Let us hear how our worries about the future, and about each other, and about ourselves, can find rest in your providential care.

Come, Holy Spirit, give us that encouraging news again. . .

Prayers of the People and 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.

Sending the Faithful Into God's World

Call to Serve

Andrew Lederach

Speak to us in the language of hope. Let us hear how our yearning and our expectations are not just wishful thinking, but responses to your promise.

Come, Holy Spirit, give us that good news again. . .

*Hymn 765

Song of Hope (sing twice)

*Charge and Benediction

*Response

Benediction

Mark Patterson

May the peace of Christ go with you as you leave this place. May the love of God surround you each and every day. May the song of joy resound deep within your heart, so that you may always know the wonder of God's love.

Postlude

Imperial March

Ludwig Van Beethoven

2018 Confirmation Class

Daniel Scott Cleary, son of Scott and Tanya Cleary

Thomas Ryan Fasano, son of Michael and Janet Fasano

Grace Isabella Jernigan, daughter of Martin and Mary Jernigan

Abigail Elizabeth Lantos, daughter of Gabriel and Holly Lantos

Andrew Christman Lederach, son of Stephen Lederach and Anita Christman

Caroline Elizabeth Lemire, daughter of Christopher and Carol Lemire

Tristan Lee Lemire, son of Christopher and Carol Lemire

Francis Wood Lentine, son of Frank and Joanna Lentine

Amanda Rose Lippert, daughter of Robert and Barbara Lippert

Jack Miller, son of Peter and Michelle Miller

Kevin James Minch, son of Frank and Pam Minch

Carter Anton Risse, son of Stephen and Patricia Risse

Matthew Stearns Runk, son of Christopher and Catherine Runk