

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SEALY

Pentecost Sunday - 8 am
May 31, 2020

PRELUDE

GREETING, ANNOUNCEMENTS & JOYS

HYMN

O Spirit of the Living God

UMH 539

*O Spirit of the living God, thou light and fire divine,
descend upon thy church once more, and make it truly thine.
Fill it with love and joy and power, with righteousness and peace;
till Christ shall dwell in human hearts, and sin and sorrow cease.*

*Blow, wind of God! With wisdom blow until our minds are free
from mists of error, clouds of doubt, which blind our eyes to thee.
Burn, winged fire! Inspire our lips with flaming love and zeal,
to preach to all thy great good news, God's glorious common weal.*

*Teach us to utter living words of truth which all may hear,
the language all may understand when love speaks loud and clear;
till every age and race and clime shall blend their creeds in one,
and earth shall form one family by whom thy will is done.*

*So shall we know the power of Christ who came this world to save;
so shall we rise with him to life which soars beyond the grave;
and earth shall win true holiness, which makes thy children whole;
till, perfected by thee, we reach creation's glorious goal!*

PROCLAMATION

TIME WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

SPECIAL MUSIC

Shanna Lipowski

READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 2:1-13

On the day of Pentecost all the Lord's followers were together in one place. Suddenly there was a noise from heaven like the sound of a mighty wind! It filled the house where they were meeting. Then they saw what looked like fiery tongues moving in all directions, and a tongue came and settled on each person there. The Holy Spirit took control of everyone, and they began speaking whatever language the Spirit let them speak.

Many religious Jews from every country in the world were living in Jerusalem. And when they heard this noise, a crowd gathered. But they were surprised, because they were hearing everything in their own languages. They were excited and amazed, and said: *Don't all these who are speaking come from Galilee? Then why do we hear them speaking our very own languages? Some of us are from Parthia, Media, and Elam. Others are from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, Asia, Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, parts of Libya near Cyrene, Rome, Crete, and Arabia. Some of us were born Jews, and others of have chosen to be Jews. Yet we all hear them using our own languages to tell the wonderful things God has done.*

Everyone was excited and confused. Some of them even kept asking each other, "What does all this mean?"

Others made fun of the Lord's followers and said, "They are drunk."

Peter stood with the eleven apostles and spoke in a loud and clear voice to the crowd: Friends and everyone else living in Jerusalem, listen carefully to what I have to say! You are wrong to think that these people are drunk. After all, it is only nine o'clock in the morning. But this is what God had the prophet Joel say: *When the last days come, I will give my Spirit to everyone. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young men will see visions, and your old men will have dreams. In those days I will give my Spirit to my servants, both men and women, and they will prophesy. I will work miracles in the sky above and wonders on the earth below. There will be blood and fire and clouds of smoke. The sun will turn dark, and the moon will be as red as blood before the great and wonderful day of the Lord appears. Then the Lord will save everyone who asks for his help.*

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Peter said, "Turn back to God! Be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, so that your sins will be forgiven. Then you will be given the Holy Spirit. This promise is for you and your children. It is for everyone our Lord God will choose, no matter where they live."

Peter told them many other things as well. Then he said, "I beg you to save yourselves from what will happen to all these evil people." On that day about three thousand believed his message and were baptized. They spent their time learning from the apostles, and they were like family to each other. They also broke bread and prayed together.

HOLY COMMUNION

CONFESSION, PRAYER CONCERNS, AND PARDON

THE PEACE

TIME OF REFLECTION AND GIVING

DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us, not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING THE BREAD AND GIVING THE CUP

COMMUNION HYMN

Sweet, Sweet Spirit

UMH 334

*There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
there are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.*

*Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know
that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

UMH 11

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOING FORTH

HYMN

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

UMH 420

***Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.***

***Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.***

***Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.***

***Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.***

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

PASTOR: Rev. Michael Fraley

OFFICE: Leslie Ellis & Linda German

TREASURER: Russell Koym

MUSIC: Kay Ashcraft

CHILDREN & YOUTH: Joanna Kruzal

CARES AND CONCERNS

Those who need healing

Norman Angle
Cody Childress
Susan McKimmy
Shirley Stone

Scooter Ayres
Jason Guilbeau
Vicki Newsome
Lue Vick

Warren Briggs
Robin Hartwick
Donald Siptak Sr.
Lance Whisenant

Antoney Calme
Linda Jones
Glenn Speiss
Bob Whitfield

Misti Champman
Lillian Koym
Dauna Snow
Francis Youngblood

Those who are homebound or in long-term care

Ferma Beyers
Earl Neves

Delores Cass
Clara Schroeder

Charlene Chess
Mildred Taylor

Addie Koy
May Belle Vecera

Darold Nelson
Lisa Wilder

Those serving in the Armed Forces

Stephen Brandes (Navy)
Cole Pinheiro (Army)

Francisco Figueroa (Army)
TJ Theriot (Air Force)

Reid Langton (Marines)
Tiffanee Theriot (Air Force)

Cody Leger (Army)

SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE

Happy Anniversary:

James & Clara Schroeder (63) 05/26
Joey & Robin Schneider (36) 06/05

Happy Birthday:

Seri Sommerfeldt 05/26
Michael Dent 05/29
Yevonne Robbins 05/29

Kirk Keever 05/31
Chris Blanks 06/03
Dane Ellis 06/04

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