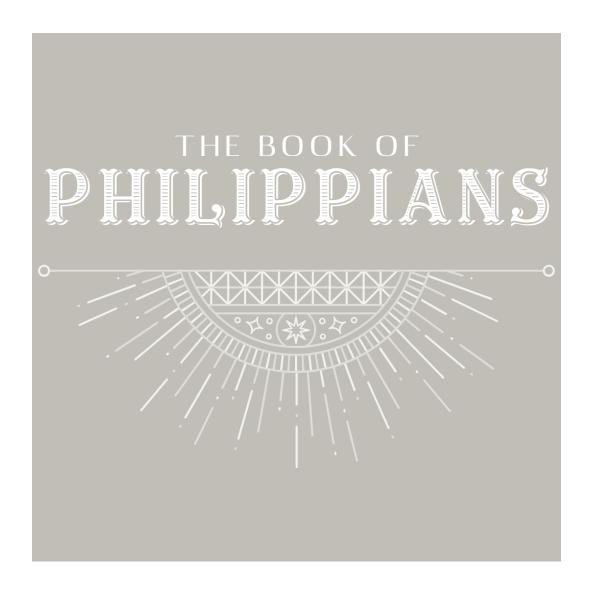


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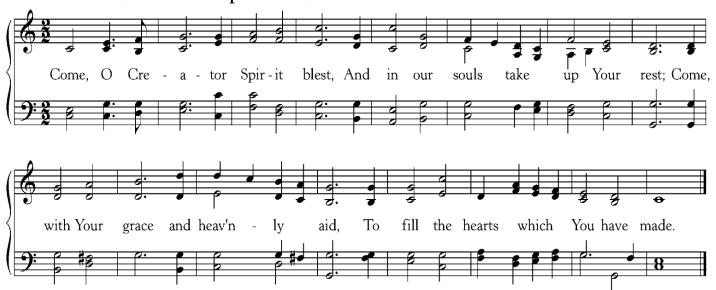
Pentecost Sunday 31 May 2020

Prelude, Announcements, and Preparation

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE AND REVEALS HIMSELF

God calls His people to worship and come before Him. The Creator of all things reveals Himself through His Word and calls us into His presence.

Introit—Come, O Creator Spirit Blest, Vs I



Text: Rhabanus Maurus, circa 800, Trans by Edward Caswall, 1849; Music: TRURO, Psalmodia Evangelica, 1789.

Call to Worship—from Psalm 104: 24, 27, 30-31, 33-34

Pastor: O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have You made them all;

the earth is full of Your creatures.

All: These all look to You, to give them food in due season.

Pastor: When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created,

and You renew the face of the ground.

All: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in His works.

Pastor: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

All: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

Hymn of Praise—Come, Thou Almighty King



Text: Anonymous, 1757; Music: TRINITY, Felice de Giardini, 1769.

New Testament Reading—Acts 2:1-4, 14-21

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. 15 For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

17 "And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; 18 even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; 20 the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. 21 And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

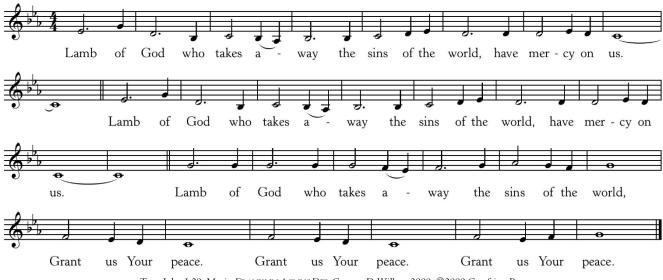
Elder: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE & RECONCILIATION

The People of God respond to His Word by confessing their sins, repenting of their sinful ways, and seeking God's favor through the reconciling work of Jesus, the Son of God.

Sung Preparation—Lamb of God



Text: John I:29; Music: FRANKLIN AGNUS DEI, Gregory D Wilbur, 2009. ©2009 Greyfriars Press.

Congregation Prayer of Confession—based on Ephesians 4:1-4, 14-16

Pastor: Lord, we come confessing that you have made us to be one body, in one Spirit, called to one hope.

But our pride and impatience have spawned only dissension and division.

All: We have not been strong in the strength of your might and have not readied ourselves for the daily work of reconciliation.

Pastor: We have neglected the grace given to us by Christ's gift and have failed to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

All: Forgive us for being tossed to and fro by selfish whims, for building our own kingdoms rather than living in submission to Christ's Kingdom.

Pastor: Help us to speak the truth in love, and walk in it.

Rescue us and fill us with the Spirit, that Christ may be formed in us.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—I Colossians I:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Hymn of Praise—Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God



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The Reading of the Word—Philippians 4:10-23

¹⁰ I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹ Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹² I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³ I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

¹⁴ Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. ¹⁵ And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. ¹⁶ Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. ¹⁷ Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. ¹⁸ I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰ To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

²¹ Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brothers who are with me greet you. ²² All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar's household.

²³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Leader: The grass withers, the flower fades;

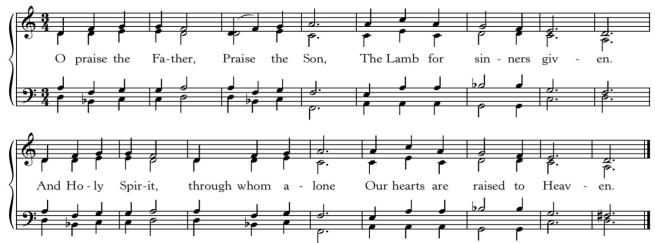
All: But the Word of our God will stand forever.

Sermon—Press on Toward the Goal: A Study of Philippians, Part 17

Learning Contentment

—Ben Grifffth, Pastor

Sung Response—O Praise the Father



Text: John Mason, 1683; Music: Gregory Wilbur, 2011.

Profession of Faith—The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into Heaven

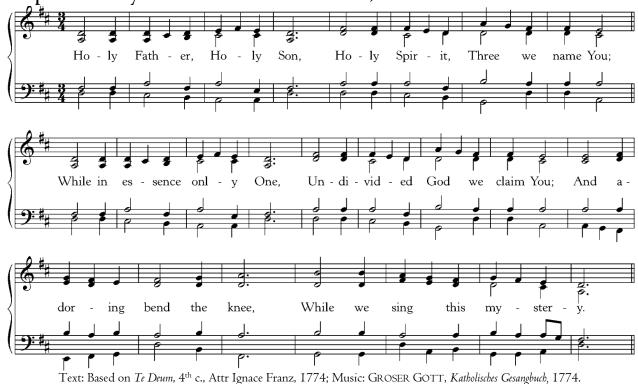
and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church,

The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sung Response—Holy God We Praise Your Name, Vs 4



THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

God offers to His people the gift of communion with Him through the grace of the sacrament and we respond in thanksgiving.

Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

Guidelines for the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ to join us.

^{* &}quot;Catholic" refers to the universal church of God's people throughout all time and from all places

If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. You can find some sample prayers on the next page. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the church.

At Cornerstone, we come forward to receive communion. You may take the bread at the first table and then proceed to either side for the wine/grape juice.

Hymn of Communion—Come Down, O Love Divine



Prayers for Those Not Taking the Lord's Supper

If you are not able to partake in the Lord's Supper today, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers.

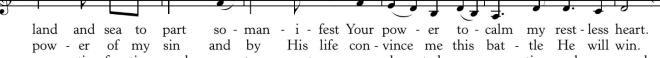
Prayer for Those Searching for Truth. Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief. Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment. Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Hymn of Communion—O God, the Holy Spirit





sa - tis-fac-tion made; a - tone-ment was com-ple - ted, my cap - tive soul was saved. flee from Sa-tan's snares then run to my Re-deem-er and cast on Him my cares.

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GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND IN GRATEFUL PRAISE

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name.

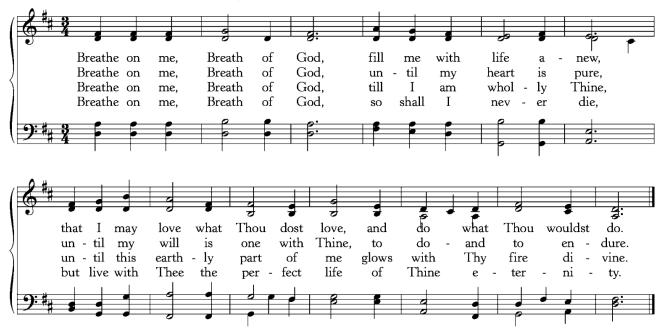
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.

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 of Praise—Breathe on Me, Breath of God



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GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT TO BE LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

After calling His people into His presence, forgiving their sins, instructing them in His Word, and providing a foretaste of the marriage supper of the Lamb, God sends His people into the world to show His light in the darkness.

Benediction—John 14:25-27a

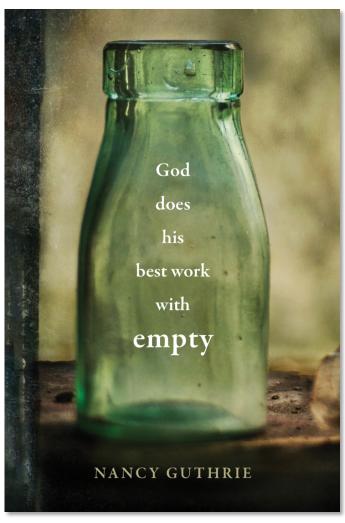
"These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." Amen.

Sung Response—There is a Redeemer



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Women's Summer Bible Study



Do you know what it is like to feel empty? So many of us experience profound emptiness in the form of disappointment, loneliness, boredom, and grief. We tend to see our emptiness as our greatest problem. But what we are going to see again and again over eight sessions together is that God sees the emptiness in our lives as a great opportunity. God does his best work with empty as he fills it with himself.

Instead of gathering in person at the church this summer, we're going to "gather" on Tuesday nights virtually. Over eight weeks, new teaching sessions will be posted via video on Nancy's vimeo page at vimeo.com/showcase/7129237 every Tuesday afternoon from June 2 through 21. (You may want to that webpage now and bookmark it so you'll be able to find it easily each Tuesday.) In addition to the videos, a set of accompanying personal Bible Study questions is available Cornerstone Women as a downloadable PDF. Email women@cstonepres.org if you have not received the questions.

To access the videos at Nancy's vimeo page, you'll need to use the password: Cornerstone. You are free to share the video link and password personally with friends and neighbors—especially with women who have typically attended our summer Bible study in the past, but please don't post the password to social media as Nancy will be promoting and selling access to the study to those outside of our community.

Additionally, Nancy will lead a zoom call from 8:00 - 8:30 pm on Tuesdays from June 2 - July 2I for Cornerstone Women who would like to have a little more conversation about that Tuesday's study. Sign up at:

www.cornerstonepresbyterianchurch.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/45/responses/new

We are thrilled for this opportunity to study God's Word together as sisters in Christ. We hope you will jump right in and encourage others to as well!

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