

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND GOSPEL RENEWAL

Pentecost Sunday

24 May 2015

If you are reading this in worship, I want you to know something—you *are an answer to prayer*. Each Sunday before worship, I ask God to bring into our midst exactly who He desires would be there. Since you are with us today, I believe God has a blessing in store for you. I am prayerful as we worship together today, that blessing will be received and enjoyed.

To that end, this service of worship has been designed that we might know God and the glory of the gospel of Jesus Christ. From the summons to worship at the beginning to the sending out into the world at the benediction, that you might know God, the truth and joy of salvation, and be equipped to answer the call to be a disciple of Jesus Christ.

Following the service, feel free to approach one of our elders (the men who help serve the Lord's Supper) with any prayer needs or questions you may have. I believe you will find them to be warm, inviting, and eager to serve. Please know I would personally enjoy getting to meet you this morning following the service, so please stop by and see me at the front door of the chapel.

It is my sincere prayer that your experience today at Cornerstone Presbyterian Church is one that blesses you spiritually and strengthens your faith in the Lord.

Grace & Peace,
Rev. Nate Shurden

Worship is a response to the love of God that brings us out of darkness into his light. The rhythm and flow of the service reflects this present reality as God calls his people and reveals himself, forgives their sins, teaches them from his Word, the Bible, feeds them, and then sends them out to live what they have learned.

This is the pattern of his love in redeeming and saving his people.

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.

Prelude, Announcements & Preparation

Sung Response—Come, O Creator Spirit Blest, Vs I

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment in 3/2 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble and bass staff. The treble staff contains the melody with lyrics underneath: 'Come, O Cre - a - tor Spir - it blest, And in our souls take up Your rest; Come,'. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The second system continues the melody and accompaniment with the lyrics: 'with Your grace and heav'n - ly aid, To fill the hearts which You have made.' The piece ends with a double bar line.

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.

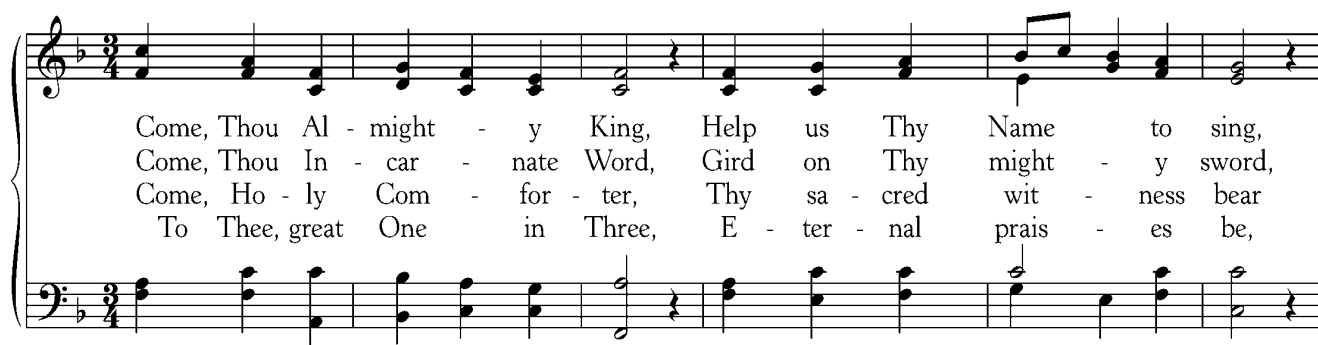
Pastor: When You send forth Your Spirit, they are created,
and You renew the face of the ground.

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.

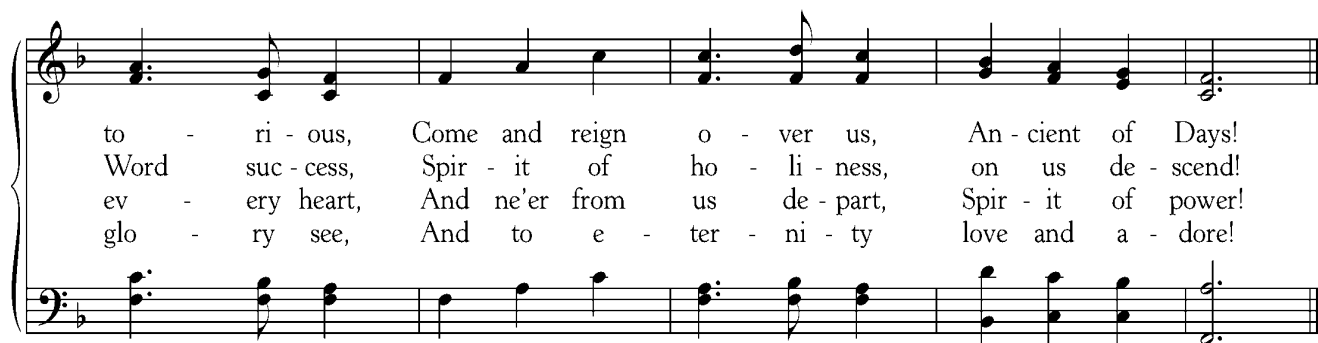
Hymn of Praise—Come, Thou Almighty King



Come, Thou Al - might - y King, Help us Thy Name to sing,
Come, Thou In - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy might - y sword,
Come, Ho - ly Com - for - ter, Thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
To Thee, great One in Three, E - ter - nal prais - es be,



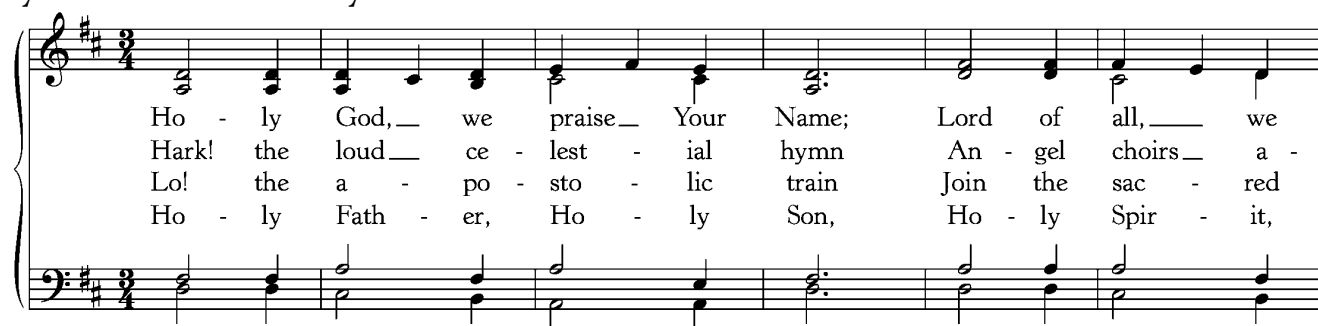
help us to praise! Fa - ther all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -
our prayer at - tend! Come, and Thy peo - ple bless, and give Thy
in this glad hour. Thou Who al - might - y art, now rule in
hence, ev - er - more. Thy sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in



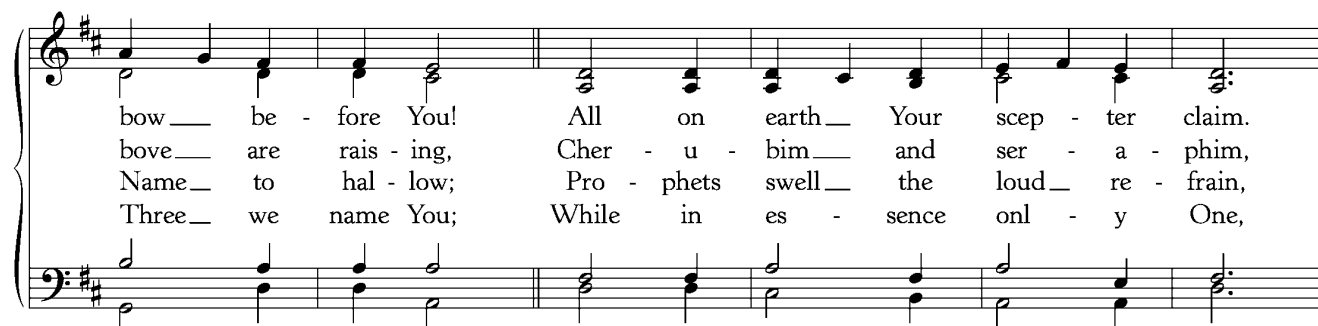
to - ri - ous, Come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days!
Word suc - cess, Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend!
ev - ery heart, And ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power!
glo - ry see, And to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore!

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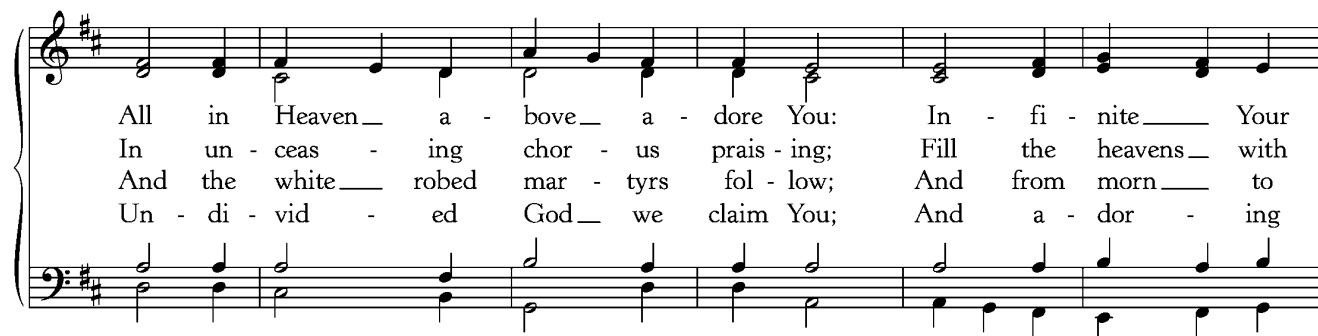
Hymn of Praise—Holy God We Praise Your Name



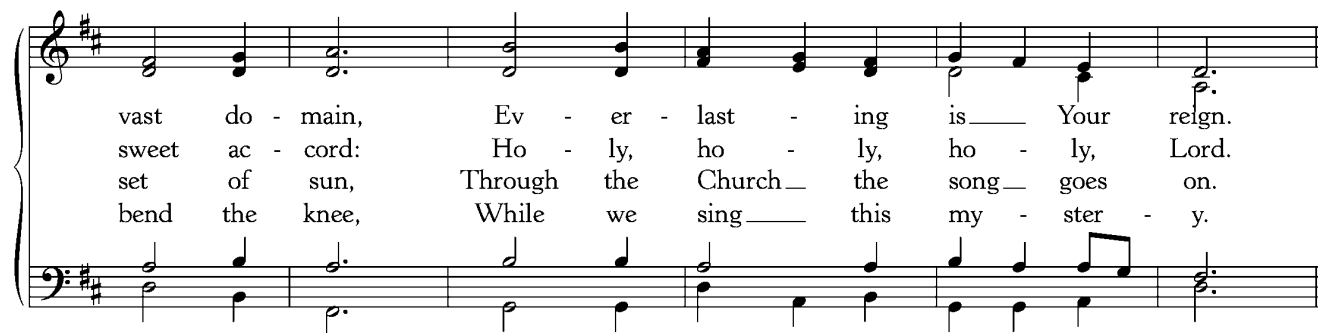
Ho - ly God, we praise Your Name; Lord of all, we
Hark! the loud ce - lest - ial hymn An - gel choirs a -
Lo! the a - po - sto - lic train Join the sac - red
Ho - ly Fath - er, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore You! All on earth Your scep - ter claim.
bove are rais - ing, Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
Name to hal - low; Pro - phets swell the loud re - frain,
Three we name You; While in es - sence onl - y One,



All in Heaven a - bove a - dore You: In - fi - nite Your
In un - ceas - ing chor - us prais - ing; Fill the heavens with
And the white robed mar - tyrs fol - low; And from morn to
Un - di - vid - ed God we claim You; And a - dor - ing



vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing is Your reign.
sweet ac - cord: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord.
set of sun, Through the Church the song goes on.
bend the knee, While we sing this my - ster - y.

Text: Based on *Te Deum*, 4th c., Attr Ignace Franz, 1774; Music: GROSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1774.

+++Latecomers Please Wait to be Seated+++

New Testament Reading—I Corinthians 12:4-13

4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

12 For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. 13 For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

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 Response—Come, O Redeemer, Come



Fa - ther en-throned on high, Ho - ly, Ho - ly: An - cient e - ter - nal light, hear our prayer.
Look now up - on our need, Lord be, with us; heal us and make us free, from our sin.



Come, O Re-deem-er, come, grant us mer-cy. Come, O Re-deem-er, come, grant us peace.

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Corporate Confession of Sin—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 with us.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon—I Colossians 1:13-14

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.

+++*Latecomers are Welcome to be Seated*+++

Hymn of Praise—Come Down, O Love Divine

Come down, O Love di - vine, seek Thou this soul of
 O let it free - ly burn, til earth - ly pas - sions
 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will

mine, And vis - it it with Thine own ar - dor glow - ing.
 turn To dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 long, Shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap -
 And let Thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my
 For none can guess its grace, till he be - come the

pear, And kin - dle it, Thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 sight, And clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 place Where - in the Ho - ly Spir - it makes His dwell - ing.

Text: Bianco da Siena, d. 1434, Tr Richard Littledale, 1867; Music: DOWN AMPNEY, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906.

GOD TEACHES US THROUGH HIS WORD

The Reading of the Word—Acts 2:1-21

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.

5 Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. 6 And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one

was hearing them speak in his own language. 7 And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? 9 Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, 11 both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” 12 And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” 13 But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

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: The grass withers, the flower fades;

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

Sermon—*The Gift of the Holy Spirit*

—Nate Shurden, Pastor

Sung Response—Sanctus

WOMEN

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly, God of pow'r and might,

MEN

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly, God of pow'r and might, -

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

Bless - ed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, Ho

high - est, Ho san - na in the high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est. A - men.

san - nah in the high - est, Ho san - na in the high - est. A - men.

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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.

* "Catholic" refers to the universal church of God's people throughout all time and from all places

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.

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—Spirit of Mercy

Spir - it of mer - cy, truth and love, O shed Thine in - fluence from a - bove,
In eve - ry clime, by ev - ery tongue, Be God's a - maz - ing glo - ry sung;
Un - fail - ing Com - fort, heaven - ly Guide, Still o'er Thy ho - ly Church pre - side;

And still from age to age con - vey The won - ders of this sa - cred day.
Let all the lis - tening earth be taught The won - ders by our Sav - ior wrought.
Still let man - kind Thy bless - ings prove, Spir - it of mer - cy, truth and love.

Text: London Foundling Hospital Collection, 1774; Music: OMBERSLEY, William Henry Gladstone, 1872.

Hymn of Communion—O God, the Holy Spirit

O - God the Ho - ly Spi - rit, e - ter - nal One of Three, my - Com - for - ter and
O God the Ho - ly Spi - rit, di - rect me to the cross where I can see the
O God the Ho - ly Spi - rit, put Je - sus on dis - play: re - mind me how my
O God the Ho - ly Spi - rit, come deep - en and im - part these sav - ing, lov - ing

Tea - cher, be mer - ci - ful to me. You - hov - ered o - ver cha - os the -
suf - f'ring my way - ward - ness has cost. In Je - sus' death please show me the
Sa - vior took all my guilt a - way. My sins were all for - giv - en and
les - sons up - on my des - p'rate heart that I might loathe my e - vil and

land and sea to part so - man - i - fest Your pow - er to - calm my rest - less heart.
pow - er of my sin and by His life con - vince me this bat - tle He will win.
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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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.

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

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new,
Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly Thine,
Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,

that I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.
un - til my will is one with Thine, to do - and to en - dure.
un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with Thy fire di - vine.
but live with Thee the per - fect life of Thine e - ter - ni - ty.

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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

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

There is a Re - deem - er Je - sus, God's own Son; Pre - cious Lamb of

God, Mes-si - ah, Ho - - - ly One. Thank you, O my Fa - ther, for

giv-ing us Your Son, And Leav-ing Your Spir-it till the work on earth is done.

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Today we celebrate the birthday of the church in the coming of the Holy Spirit on the day of **Pentecost**. We see a beautiful continuity of the presence of the Spirit by fire that echoes the smoking pot in Genesis 15, the burning bush, the pillar of fire that led the people of Israel and that settled down on the tabernacle and the mercy seat of the Ark of the Covenant, and the fire that consumed the sacrifices on Mt Carmel with Elijah. The symbol and presence is the same as in the Old Testament, but with the New Covenant comes the writing of the law on our hearts instead of residing in the Ark—thus the fire of the Spirit rests on the heads of those on the day of Pentecost just as it did over the Ark. In addition, Paul teaches that the people of God are collectively the Temple of the Holy Spirit even as His presence filled the Tabernacle and Temple. Pentecost is a vibrant picture of the coming of the Kingdom.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

God built within His people an innate desire to celebrate, to mark seasons and events, to set up “stones of remembrance” so that we do not forget His goodness and promises. One method that the Church has used over time is dividing each year according to the events in the life of Christ—a reminder of redemptive history. Although the Church Calendar is not prescribed by Scripture, it can be a useful framework or tool to help walk our hearts through the Gospel every year.

The major divisions of the liturgical year are:

- **Advent**—The four Sundays leading to Christmas; preparation for the coming of Christ and the need for a Savior
- **Christmas** and the Twelve Days—Celebration of the Incarnation and the Gift of Christ, our Redeemer
- **Epiphany**—January 6; Coming of the Magi for Christ is the Light of the World; Hope for the Gentiles; Kingship of Christ
- **Lent**—from Ash Wednesday to Easter; repentance and reflection; recognition that our sinfulness leads to the cross; intentional time to exercise the disciplines of grace
- **Holy Week**—Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday; Jesus as King, Priest, Prophet; The remembrance that the shedding of blood was necessary for the forgiveness of sins
- **Easter**—Resurrection of the Living Lord; the conquering of death and sin
- **Ascension**—Christ in Power at the right hand of the Father; Christ interceding as the Mediator
- **Pentecost**—Coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church; God sends out His people as the Church
- **Ordinary Time**—The weeks between Pentecost and Advent; Living in light of the Gospel as the Church

Today is Pentecost Sunday! On this day, we commemorate the gift of the Holy Spirit to the church and explore His significance for the life of the church. The questions below are designed to assist you in better understanding and applying the passage. Please take time to discuss these questions with your family or home fellowship group.

- Luke mentions three supernatural phenomena—the sound of rushing wind, divided tongues of fire, and speaking in other tongues (v.I-4). What is the significance of each of these signs?
- How does Acts 2:5-13 fulfill what Jesus spoke to the disciples in Luke 24:46-49?
- How should Acts 2:5-13 inform our understanding of speaking in tongues?
- How do we receive the Holy Spirit?
- How would you answer someone who says, “I am saved, but I have not yet received the Holy Spirit?”
- What is the significance of Peter’s quoting of Joel 2:28-32 in the midst of his sermon at Pentecost?

Without the Holy Spirit, Christian discipleship would be inconceivable, even impossible. There can be no life without the life-giver, no understanding without the Spirit of truth, no fellowship without the unity of the Spirit, no Christ-likeness of character apart from his fruit, and no effective witness without his power. As a body without breath is a corpse, so the church without the Spirit is dead—John Stott

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