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PENTECOST OUTDOOR WORSHIP JUNE 5, 2022

# June 5, 2022 PENTECOST: OUTDOOR WORSHIP

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **GATHERING**

We gather in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen** 

#### BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

God has always been there for us, loving us and calling us to be all that we can be. Let us tell God all about ourselves, not leaving anything out.

# Time for Reflection

O God, we confess that the Spirit has not moved us much lately: that wind and fire have been absent from our lives, that routine has blurred our prayers, that tiredness has sapped our energy and that busyness has obscured our vision. We confess that we have not taken time to open ourselves to the transforming power of the Spirit, and that we have known too little joy. O God, open up our lives and help us to let go of that which hinders our love for you and one another. Spirit of God, be for us joy. Be a healing gift of love and create in us a new heart. Come and build your community right here, right now.

God is known to us in many ways, and sometimes God surprises us in something new, out of the ordinary, out of our comfort zone. Know that God is not going to leave you or abandon you on the way, but walk with you in your steps, and move in you with every breath, for the Spirit is the breath of life. Know this: God forgives you! God loves you! That's good news! **Amen!** 

### GATHERING SONG God Is Here! (all verses)

#### God Is Here!



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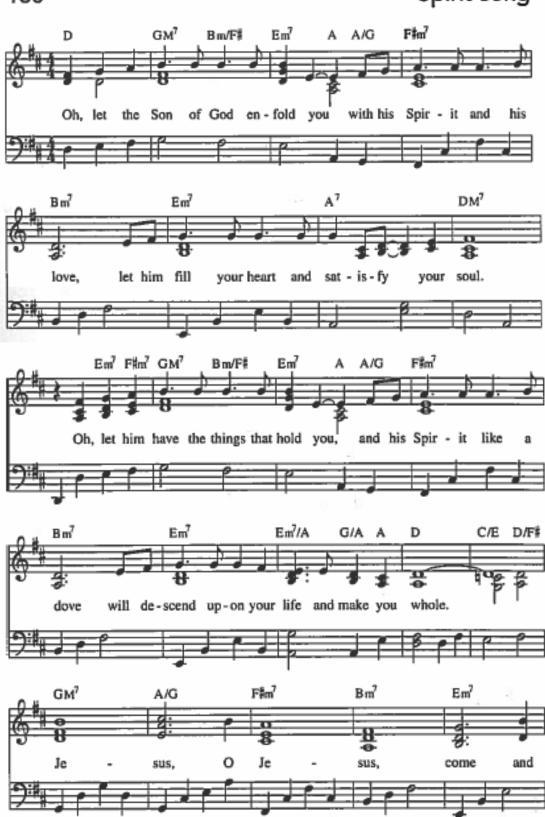
#### **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

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# Spirit song





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#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together,

Come, Holy Spirit, come. Enliven your people again. We need your warmth, for fear and distrust are fraying the fabric of human society. We need your guidance, for old ways are hard to give up and new ways are hard to accept. Come, Holy Spirit. We need your comfort, for sadness wraps many of us in unending grief. We need your power, for greed and violence haunt every level of society and lurk in the corners of our souls. Come, Holy Spirit. We need your courage to live as people of peace in an angry and hurried world. We need your love to bind up the wounded, lift up the poor and feed the hungry. Come, Holy Spirit, come.

#### FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21

A reading from Acts.

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, amid signs of fire, wind, and a variety of languages, the people were amazed and astonished at Jesus' promise coming true.

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

17'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon 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 upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit;

and they shall prophesy.

19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood.

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

(Read responsively between lector and congregation, beginning with the lector)

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full | of your creatures.

<sup>25</sup>Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too man-|y to number, living things both| small and great.

<sup>26</sup>There go the ships | to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the | sport of it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup>How manifold are your | works, O LORD!

- <sup>27</sup>All of them | look to you to give them their food | in due season.
- <sup>28</sup>You give it to them; they | gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled | with good things.
- <sup>29</sup>When you hide your face, <sup>1</sup> they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return <sup>1</sup> to their dust.
- <sup>30</sup>You send forth your Spirit, and they | are created; and so you renew the face | of the earth.
- 31May the glory of the LORD en- | dure forever; O LORD, rejoice in | all your works.
- <sup>32</sup>You look at the earth | and it trembles; you touch the mountains | and they smoke.
- <sup>33</sup>I will sing to the LORD as long | as I live; I will praise my God while I | have my being.
- <sup>34</sup>May these words of | mine please God. I will rejoice | in the LORD.
- 35bBless the LORD, O my soul. Hal- lelujah!

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



GOSPEL: John 14:8-17 [25-27]

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Though the disciples struggle with Jesus' nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God's mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promises the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.

<sup>8</sup>Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." <sup>9</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

<sup>15</sup>"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

MESSAGE PASTOR BARB

#### AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM FOR THE CONGREGATION

#### **PRESENTATION**

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of Baptism as we come before God to make public affirmation of Baptism into Christ.

Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in Baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. **Amen.** 

#### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? I **renounce them.** 

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.\* On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I 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.

You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

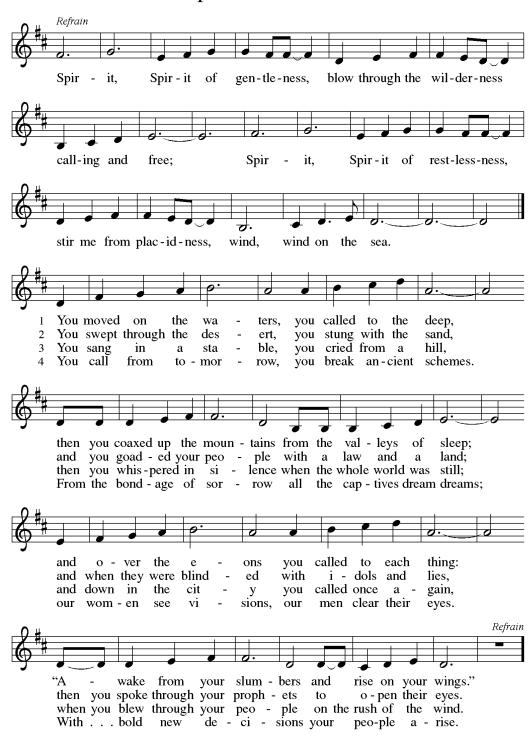
I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for one another in your life in Christ? **We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.** 

Asperges: Pastor sprinkles water on the congregation.

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life. Stir up in your people the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.** 

# HYMN OF THE DAY Spirit of Gentleness (all verses) Spirit of Gentleness



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# PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (Please respond.)

P: Come, Holy Spirit, C: Fill the hearts of your faithful.

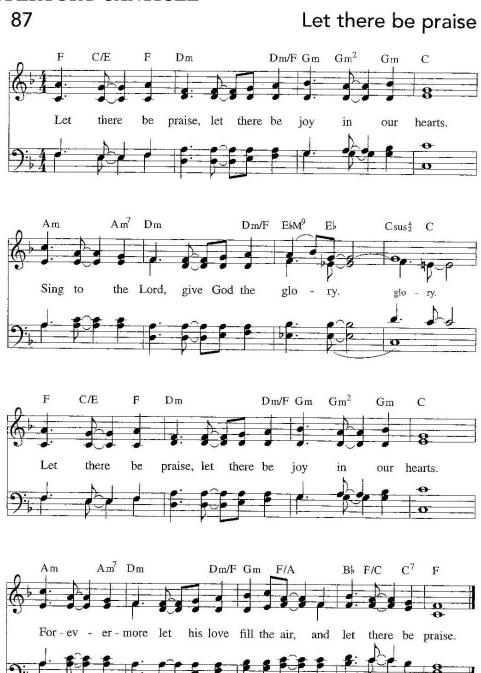
#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.** 

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

Generous God, we celebrate Your Spirit so freely given and so powerfully active within Your church. As the Spirit moves in our midst, inspire us towards generous giving to support Your work in the world and fire us with an energy to serve You well. Amen

#### **OFFERTORY CANTICLE**



#### THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

Let us pray:

Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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 and ever. Amen.

#### **BENEDICTION**

May the winds of the Spirit set your feet to dancing. May the fire of Pentecost fill you with holy energy. May the mighty surge of God's power turn your world upside down. And may God bless you in the name of the Father, the Son (+) and the Holy Spirit. **Amen** 

## SENDING SONG Every Time I Feel the Spirit (all verses)



Text: African American spiritual

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#### **DISMISSAL**

Go forth in power, full of the Spirit of God, to love and serve.

## Thanks be to God! Amen

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#### **SERVING TODAY**

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome Visitors!** We welcome you to our worship service. We hope your visit with us will be a time of blessing. If you have any concerns, please talk to the Head Usher. We invite you to worship with us again!

**Prayer requests** for the following *Rich Plummer, Jean Jackson, Mark Gayman, Annamarie Schwartz, David Johnson, Joe and Karen Wolfinger, Jennie Matthews, Kristen Hardman, Becky Pecha, Patricia Yetter, Baby Warren Baker, Ukrainian Nation, Peace for the World, Carol Locke, Aurora Shultz and her parents David & Brittany, Linda Wepking, Frances Kramer, Connie Bikle, Darrell Veilleux.* If anyone has a prayer request, please call Janice McEntire. **Note:** At the beginning of each month, the Prayer Request List will start anew. If you would like to remain listed on the next month's list, or if you would like to have your name removed from the list before the end of the month, please call the office.

For now, the offering plate will continue to be placed in the back of the church in front of the Baptismal Font. Thank you for your continuing support of the ministries of Solomon's as we join God in the work of sharing Christ's love.

**Office Hours for Pastor Barb** are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon or call for an appointment.

**Card Shower!** Let's shower Genny Grant with birthday wishes by sending a card to celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Relay for Life – Team Solomons**. We would like to thank everyone for your donations and support to our 2022 Relay team and event. Our team raised a total of \$3,238.00 and the Greencastle Relay raised a total of \$86,648. The American Cancer Society is a great resource for cancer patients and continues to research ways to treat cancer. Thank you again and we will keep you updated on the 2023 event and fundraising events!

**WANTED:** Sexton (custodian) at Trinity Lutheran Church, 431 Philadelphia Ave in Chambersburg. Job involves cleaning the church and light maintenance. 25 hours per week - work week is Mon thru Fri, 9 paid vacation days per year with additional paid time off. If interested, call, email or stop in at Trinity's office to request an application. Office phone: 717-263-8156 Email: office@trinitychbg.org

**Power Pack Meals:** We will not be collecting food during June or July. The program will resume in August for the 2022-2023 school year. Please place the items you donate in the gray tote in the Sunday School room. Monetary donations are also accepted, write your check to Solomon's and put Power Pack in the memo line.

**Social Ministry:** Social Ministry will be collecting items through August for Personal Care Kits as we have done in past years. Items needed are: One light-weight dark color bath size towel (20" x 40" to 52" x 27"); Two - three bath size bars of soap equaling 8-9 oz., any brand in original wrapping; One adult size toothbrush in original packaging; One sturdy comb; One metal nail clippers attached file optional. We are not asking that you donate an entire kit, just the items you feel you can give. Please place the items in the gray tote under the coat rack. The kits will be assembled during **God's Work Our Hands** on Rally Day Sunday in September.

**VBS** Celebration Sunday June 26, 2022 – We are asking all members to bring canned food items to our VBS Celebration Sunday Service. During the week of VBS we are asking the kids to donate a canned food item. We will be building a canned food pyramid with the items donated. All donations will then go to Maranatha Ministries of Chambersburg.

**Monumental VBS 2022**: Monday June 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday June 24<sup>th</sup>; 6:30pm – 8:30 pm. Ages: 3yrs – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade. Celebration Sunday: June 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 am. See Barbara Aldrich or Janice McEntire for registrations forms.

The council is forming a media ministry team where all things computer will be cared for under one umbrella. This includes the worship services, office computers, Facebook account, etc. The more people who help, the less work for everyone. Is God calling you to learn new ways of preaching the Good News boldly following the example of Jesus Christ? Wayne Norman has agreed to lead this group. Call him if you feel called to this ministry.

**Sign-up Sheets for worship assistants** for the rest of the year will be on the side table in the Sunday School room. Communion: bread, set-up, clean-up, and assistant will be on a monthly basis. If you can't commit to the entire month, please see if you can share the month with someone else. Acolytes and Lectors are on a weekly basis. If you find you can't fulfill a chosen date, please call someone to take your place. Let Kimberly in the office know so the bulletin and newsletter info stays up to date. Thank you for your commitment to help provide opportunities for meaningful worship at Solomons. Kimberly will publish the schedule for each month in the newsletter.

# JUNE 5, 2022 PENTECOST SUNDAY

The Holy Spirit is our helper and comforter.



#### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	John 14:8-17, 25-27	Jesus promises the Holy Spirit
Monday	Acts 2:1-21	Filled with the Holy Spirit
Tuesday	Romans 8:14-17	Life in the Holy Spirit
Wednesday	Acts 1:6-11	The ascension of Jesus
Thursday	Psalm 51:10-12	A prayer for forgiveness
Friday	Ephesians 4:25-32	Rules for the new life
Saturday	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	God, the creator and provider
Sunday	John 16:12-15	The Spirit will guide you

#### **SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK**

"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you." John 14:26 (NRSV)

#### **PRAYERS AND BLESSING**

# A Prayer for the Week:

Dear God, we thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit that we may believe and speak the good news so that others may know Jesus as Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **Mealtime Prayer:**

Creative God, your love for us is filled with good things, including the gift of this meal; we thank you for all your good gifts through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

# A Blessing to Give:

May the Holy Spirit give you comfort and good courage.

#### **CARING CONVERSATIONS**

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What is something about your faith that you would like to understand better?
- How is it comforting to know that the Holy Spirit gives us the power to believe in Jesus?

#### **HYMN OF THE WEEK**

Every time I Feel the Spirit



#### **DEVOTIONS**

Read: John 14:8-17, 25-27.

The Gospel of John is the last of the New Testament Gospels to be written. John gives us a valuable perspective on the importance of the Holy Spirit. John makes it clear that having the Holy Spirit does not give us something new or more than Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit only speaks and teaches the message and truth that Jesus spoke and taught. The "Spirit of truth," that is, the Holy Spirit, abides in us that we may know our heavenly father in and through Christ. It is a truth that offers great assurance in a spirit of humility, the humility of being known and taught by God. John speaks of the Holy Spirit as the "Advocate," a term filled with rich meaning. The Greek word for Advocate also means teacher, helper, comforter, someone who walks alongside us and gives us the aid we need.

*Discuss:* How does it help you to be reminded that the Holy Spirit walks alongside you and dwells within you?

**Pray:** Dear God and Comforter, we thank you for the work of the Holy Spirit that gives us the faith and confidence to abide in Jesus now and always. Amen.

#### **SERVICE**

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, who do you know that needs to be comforted this week?

#### **RITUALS AND TRADITIONS**

On the day of Pentecost, there was the rush of a violent wind and tongues of fire rested on each of the apostles. "All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:4). Decorate your home with red balloons and red candles this week as a reminder of the "blowing" and "burning" of God's Spirit in your lives. As you light the candles say: **Come, Holy Spirit, come!** 

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