



May 28, 2023



Glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Rondo in D, K. 485

Katia Dinas

W. A. Mozart

When Jesus had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP

Houston Burns, Lay Liturgist

Leader: O Lord, how great and awesome are your works!

People: **May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in his works.**

Leader: When the Lord sends the Spirit, all creation springs to life.

People: **Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!**

◆ OPENING HYMN

On Pentecost They Gathered

GTG 289

MUNICH

CALL TO CONFESSION

Fear stifles, divides, and seeks to shutter our souls in isolation. However, God comes, breathing new life, blowing away our failings, restoring us to new hope. Let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Spirit of Pentecost, rather than tell of your wonders in our lives, your overflowing grace, we choose to complain and to be envious, allowing our souls to erode in apathy and cynicism. Your Spirit seeks to transform us, but we are content to bottle it up in sentimentality and religiosity. Make real your forgiveness and pour your mercy into the closed rooms of our hearts. Breathe your peace upon us, that we would be healers of brokenness. Breathe your hope within us, that we would open ourselves to the lonely. Breathe your love around us, that we would be as generous and welcoming as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Do not fear! Hear the good news spoken long ago, yet brought fresh to us by the Holy Spirit. God forgives and God makes new. Thanks be to God! God gives us new hope, new joy, new life – this day and in all the days to come!

◆ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GTG 582

GLORY TO GOD

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

HEARING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

With a Voice of Singing

Martin Shaw

*With a voice of singing
declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.
Declare ye this, and let it be heard,
declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.*

*Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.
The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia.
The Lord hat delivered his people, Alleluia, Alleluia.*

*O be joyful in God, all ye lands,
O sing praises to the honor of his name,
make his praise to be glorious.*

*With a voice of singing
Declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.
Declare ye this, and let it be heard,
declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.*

*Alleluia.
Declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

John 7:37-39

SECOND READING

Acts 2:1-21

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Ken Ritchie

Blow Spirit Blow

RESPONDING

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Brief Statement of Faith, 11.4

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

◆ HYMN OF MEDITATION

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

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SPIRIT

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND 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.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

Offertory

4 Serious Songs, Op. 121, No. 4
Hawkins Burns, Solo

by Johannes Brahms

*Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels,
and have not love,
I am become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal.*

*And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries,
and all knowledge;
and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains,
and have not love, I am nothing.*

*And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor,
and though I give my body to be burned,
it profiteth me nothing...*

*For now we see through glass, darkly;
but then face to face:
now I know in part, but then shall I know even as also I am known.*

*And now abideth faith, hope, love, these three;
but the greatest of these is love.*

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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**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.**

Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, we open our hands to you, and our hands have been filled with good things. Receive our offerings we bring in gratitude for your care for us, and empower us in the Spirit to bless you with the dedication of our lives to love others, through Christ. Amen.

SENDING

◆ **HYMN OF DEDICATION**

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

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ABBOT'S LEIGH

◆ **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

We will glorify God, grow disciples, and meet the needs of our neighbors.

◆ **CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

◆ Stand as you are able

GTG-Glory to God Hymnal

PRAYER LIST

Dale Durcholz, Dennis Van Deventer, Greg Kaut (George & Moselle's son-in-law),
David Duell, Mary Marxer, Barbara Stein

Homebound or Recovering: George & Mozelle Mills

Church Events & Donations

RACE INTO SUMMER: End of School Ministry Event

June 10, 2023 at 10 am at the church! There will be games and other fun activities for children and parents from our neighborhood, including a piñata. We need help with water, bags of popped popcorn, small lunch bag for popcorn, individually wrapped candy, hard boiled eggs, cash gifts. We also need as many people at the event as possible. There will be various ways to help at the event, as well as meeting our neighbors. There are sign up boards outside the sanctuary. You can also call the church office to let us know how you can help. For more info talk with Patti Sloey or Kurt Booth.



Three Ways to Give



At Church



Online



By Mail

3 ways to give to your church. In person at church, online, or by mail.

Online giving is now available. Just scan the QR Code to the right with your smart phone or go to our website and click the "Give Now" button. www.FaithUnited-pc.com You will have the option to set up your giving profile. This will make it easy to login anytime you are ready to give, even designated giving like Special Offerings that occur throughout the year, or Building Repairs.



You can also select to donate the 2% fee so Faith United does not incur it.

A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. 40% of the Pentecost offering can be retained by individual congregations wanting to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own community. The remaining 60% is used to support children-at-risk, youth, and young adults through ministries of the **Presbyterian Mission Agency.**

**BY GIVING TO THE
PENTECOST OFFERING**
you're supporting ministries
that unite young people and
inspire them to share their
faith in Christ.



Outreach and Evangelism

"We All Are One in Mission" is the title of Hymn 733 which we sang in worship on May 21. These words urge us to help those in need at home and abroad.

Safe Passage is a school in Guatemala City which educates, feeds, and provides health services to children. Their parents work in the city's garbage dump to earn \$3 or \$4 a day by finding recyclable items. Before this school was established the children spent their days helping their parents in the dump. They were denied an education.

Our Session has approved a fund-raiser to help our neighbors at **Safe Passage**. Please open your hearts and help them by making a monetary donation. Make checks payable to FUPC with "Safe Passage" on the memo line. If you are in the building there will be envelopes in the bulletins and on the table where more information is available. Cash donations should be placed in the envelopes.

The web site for Safe Passage is www.safepassage.org or www.camino-seguro.org for Spanish language.

OPENING HYMN

289 On Pentecost They Gathered

1 On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered quite ear - ly in the day,
 2 The peo - ple all a - round them were star - tled and a - mazed
 3 God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it on all who would be - lieve,
 4 O Spir - it, sent from heav - en on that day long a - go,

a band of Christ's dis - ci - ples, to wor - ship, sing, and pray.
 to un - der - stand their lan - guage, as Christ the Lord they praised.
 on wom - en, men, and chil - dren who would God's grace re - ceive.
 re - kin - dle faith a - mong us in all life's ebb and flow.

A might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,
 What u - ni - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?
 That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.
 O give us ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,

and tongues of fire a - glow - ing in - spired each per - son there.
 That Christ, once dead, is ris - en to van - quish all our fear.
 The church, formed and re - form - ing, re - sponds in ev - ery hour.
 so folk of ev - ery na - tion glad songs of joy shall raise.

291 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Refrain

Spirit

Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the

wil - der-ness, call - ing and free. Spir - it,

spir - it of rest - less - ness, stir me from plac - id-ness,

wind, wind on the sea. *Fine*

1 You moved on the wa - ters; you called to the
 2 You swept through the des - ert; you stung with the
 3 You sang in a sta - ble; you cried from a
 4 You call from to - mor - row; you break an - cient

deep; then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the
 sand; and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a
 hill; then you whis-pered in si - lence when the
 schemes; from the bond - age of sor - row the

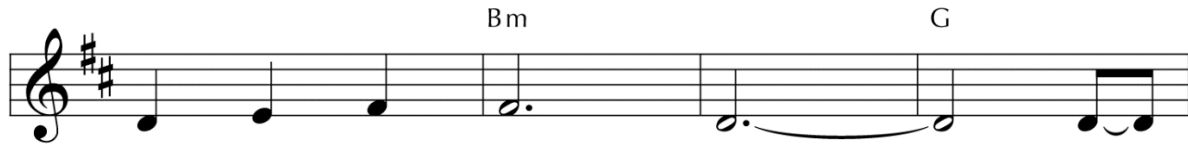
HYMN of MEDITATION CONTINUE



val - leys of sleep; and o - ver the e -
 law and a land. When they were con - found -
 whole world was still. And down in the cit -
 cap - tives dream dreams. Our wom - en see vi -



ons you called to each thing, "A -
 ed with i - dols and lies, then you
 y, you called once a - gain when you
 sions; our men clear their eyes. With



wake from your slum - bers and
 spoke through your proph - ets to
 blew through your peo - ple on the
 bold new de - ci - sions your

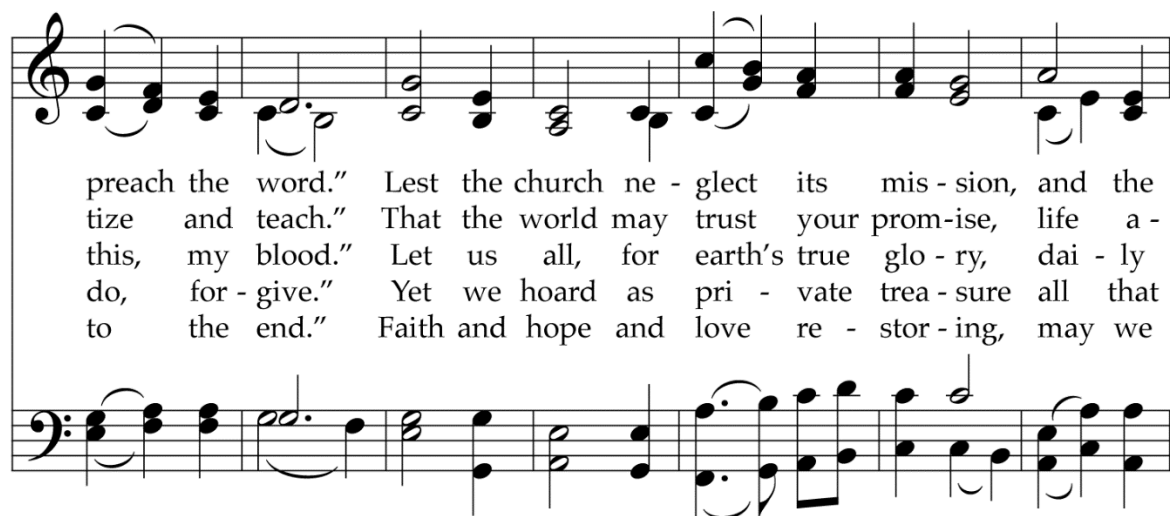


rise on your wings."
 o - pen their eyes.
 rush of the wind.
 peo - ple a - rise.

298 Lord, You Give the Great Commission



1 Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and
 2 Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my name bap -
 3 Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This, my bod - y;
 4 Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther, what they
 5 Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you

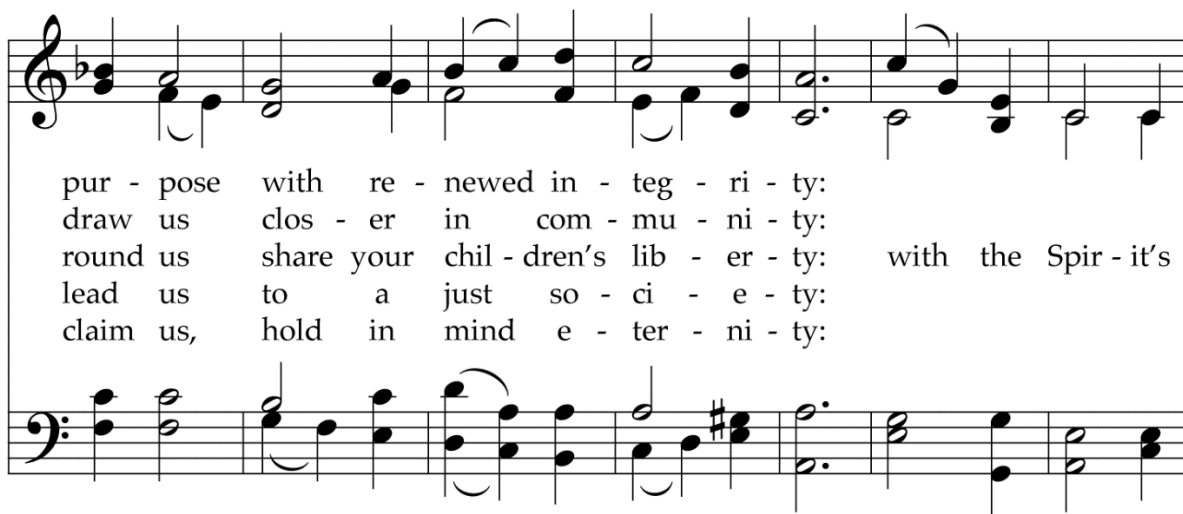


preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion, and the
 tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise, life a -
 this, my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry, dai - ly
 do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure all that
 to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing, may we

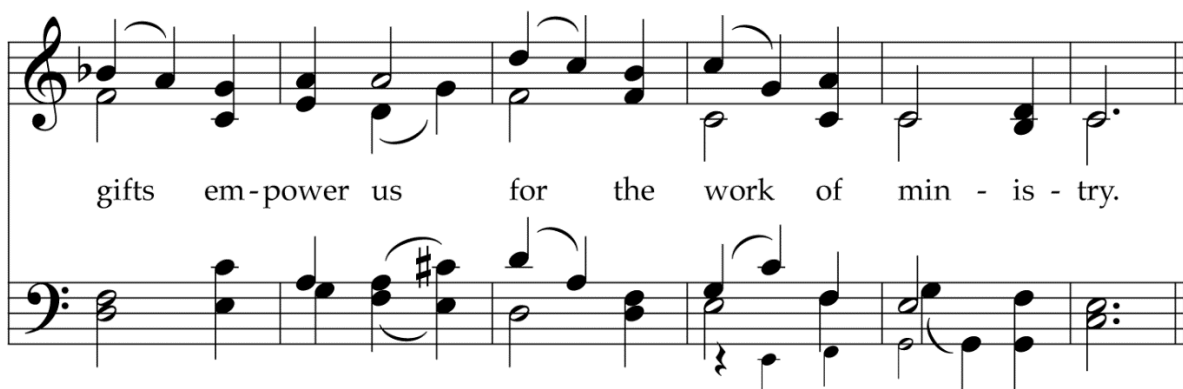


gos - pel go un - heard, help us wit - ness to your
 bun - dant meant for each, give us all new fer - vor,
 lift life heav - en - ward, ask - ing that the world a -
 you so free - ly give. May your care and mer - cy
 serve as you in - tend, and, a - mid the cares that

HYMN of DEDICATION CONTINUE



pur - pose with re - newed in - teg - ri - ty:
draw us clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty:
round us share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty: with the Spir - it's
lead us to a just so - ci - e - ty:
claim us, hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty:



gifts em-power us for the work of min - is - try.

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Katia Dinas, Pianist

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Lois Norton
Barbara Ritchie
Gerry Shotswell
Katelyn Spivey

Alto

Patti Sloey
Jessica Stottlemeyer
Renee Wensley

Tenor

Houston Burns
Kyle Feather
Jeremy Rohwer

Bass

Hawkins Burns
Rich Lewis
Zachary Rohwer

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