

# Day of Pentecost

May 31, 2020 10am

Olivet Congregational Church

## Our Life Together

*This is the time when we share announcements with one another.*

*Prayer requests will be handled out loud during our time for corporate prayers.*

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PRELUDE

**"Tocatta in D Major"**

*Bruce Jacobs, organ*

OPENING SENTENCES

HYMN

**"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 peo - ple of all na - tions glad songs of joy shall raise.

LITANY FOR PENTECOST:

Spirit of life,

**Fill our emptiness with your fullness;**

Spirit of power,

**Stir our hearts afresh!**

Spirit of love,

**Touch us; and through us, our  
neighbor.**

Spirit of creativity,

**Enable and empower the gifts you have  
given.**

Spirit of eternity,

**Draw us ever deeper into your world.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*Rev. Vanessa Bradby*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

*Linda Mazanec, lector*

**Acts 2:1-21**

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of

them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs--in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." 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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: '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. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

**Psalm 104:24-33...35b** (Read responsively, congregation in bold)

What a wildly wonderful world, O God!

**You made it all, with Wisdom at your side,  
made the earth overflow with your wonderful creations.**

Oh look! — the deep, wide sea,

**brimming with fish past counting, sardines and salmon and sharks.**

Ships plow those waters,

**and Leviathan, your pet whale, romps in them.**

All creatures look expectantly to you

**to give them their meals on time.**

You come, and they gather around;

**you open your hand and they eat from it.**

Turn your back, and they'd die immediately —

**take back your Spirit, and they'd turn to mud;**

Send out your Spirit and they spring to life —

**the whole countryside in bloom and blossom.**

The glory of God — let it last forever!

**Let God enjoy all creation! O my soul, bless God!**

## 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. 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. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

### ALLELUIA

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows a musical score for the Alleluia. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The treble staff has three lines of lyrics: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!", "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!", and "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!". The bass staff contains musical notation with various notes, rests, and accidentals, including a double bar line at the end. The music is written in a style typical of a hymn or church song.

### **John 20:19-23 and 7:37-39**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE (REPEATED)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows a musical score for the Alleluia Verse, repeated. It consists of three staves. The top staff is the vocal line, the middle staff is the alto line, and the bottom staff is the bass line. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!" repeated three times across the staves.

SERMON

*Bridging Minister, Pastor Rick Nelson*

HYMN #234

**"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"**

**234**

**Breathe on Me, Breath of God**

*Edwin Hatch, 1835-1889, alt.*

**Second Tune**

TRENTHAM S.M.

*Robert Jackson, 1840-1914*

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life a - new,  
2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, Un - til my heart is pure,  
3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am whol - ly thine,  
4 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 with thee I will one will 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. A - men.

The image shows a musical score for Hymn #234, "Breathe on Me, Breath of God". It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are: "1 Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life a - new, 2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, Un - til my heart is pure, 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am whol - ly thine, 4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I nev - er die,". The second system has a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are: "That I may love what thou dost love, And do what thou wouldst do. Un - til with thee I will one will 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. A - men."



PRAYER REQUESTS

*Mary Street, Deacon*

The Lord be with you;

**And also with you!**

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, 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 #232 **"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"**

# Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

232

*Attr. to George Croly, 1780-1860*

MORECAMBE 10.10.10.  
*Frederick C. Atkinson, 1841-1897*

1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart; Wean it from earth, through  
2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies, No sud - den rend - ing  
3 Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King? All, all thine own: soul,  
4 Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh; Teach me the strug - gles  
5 Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love, One ho - ly pas - sion

all its puls - es move; Stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as thou art,  
of the veil of clay, No an - gel vis - it - ant, no o - pening skies,  
heart, and strength, and mind; I see thy cross - there teach my heart to cling;  
of the soul to bear: To check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el sigh;  
fill - ing all my frame; The bap - tism of the heaven - de - scend - ed Dove.

And make me love thee as I ought to love.  
But take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.  
O let me seek thee, and O let me find!  
Teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.  
My heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame. A - men.

The musical score consists of three systems, each with a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment in bass clef. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

THE BLESSING

POSTLUDE

**"Tocatta in D Major"**

*Bruce Jacobs, organ*