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## **THE SERVICE FOR THE DAY OF RESURRECTION**

### **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

#### **THE PRELUDE**

“Spirit”

J.K. Manley

#### **THE WORDS OF WELCOME**

#### **THE STORY OF PENTECOST**

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.’

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

- One God promised through a prophet long ago:  
I will pour out my spirit on all flesh.
- All Our sons and daughters shall prophesy,  
the young see visions, and the old dream dreams.**
- One God's spirit opens minds and hearts  
to make the commonplace exceptional.
- All We want to see, hear, and feel  
what the Holy Spirit has in store for us.**
- One Listen for the wind and feel the flames;  
be alert for God's surprises.
- All Come, Holy Spirit, to make all things new;  
light the flame of love in our lives.**

## THE SONG

"Send Down the Fire"

M. Haugen

**All sing the Refrain:**

**Send down the fire of your justice, send down the rains of your love;  
Come, send down the Spirit, breathe life in your people,  
and we shall be people of God.**

- One *Call us to be your compassion, teach us the song of your love;  
Give us hearts that sing, give us deeds that ring,  
make us ring with the song of your love.* **Refrain**
- One *Call us to learn of your mercy, teach us the way of your peace;  
Give us hearts that feel, give us hands that heal,  
make us walk in the way of your peace.* **Refrain**
- One *Call us to answer oppression, teach us the fire of your truth;  
Give us righteous souls, 'til your justice rolls,  
make us burn with the fire of your truth.* **Refrain**
- One *Call us to witness your kingdom, give us the presence of Christ;  
May your holy light keep us shining bright,  
ever shine with the presence of Christ.* **Refrain**

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## THE LITANY FOR PENTECOST

- One Holy Spirit, Creator,  
in the beginning you moved over the waters.  
From your breath all creation drew life.  
Without you, life turns to dust.
- All Come, Holy Spirit!**
- One Holy Spirit, Counselor,  
by your inspiration, the prophets spoke and acted in faith.  
You clothed them in power to be bearers of your Word.
- All Come, Holy Spirit!**
- One Holy Spirit, Power,  
you came as fire to Jesus' disciples;  
you gave them voice before the rulers of this world.
- All Come, Holy Spirit!**
- One Holy Spirit, Sanctifier,  
you created us children of God;  
you make us the living temple of your presence;  
you intercede within us with sighs too deep for words.
- All Come, Holy Spirit!**

One Holy Spirit, Giver of life,  
you guide and make holy the church you create;  
you give gifts –  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and fortitude,  
the spirit of knowledge and piety,  
the spirit of the fear of the Lord,  
that the whole creation may be transformed.

**All Come, Holy Spirit!**

One True and only Light, from whom comes every good gift:  
Send your Spirit into our lives with the power of a mighty wind.  
Open the horizons of our minds by the flame of your wisdom.  
Loosen our tongues to show your praise,  
for only in your Spirit can we voice your words of peace  
and acclaim Jesus as Lord.

**All Amen.**

## **WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF NEW LIFE**

### **THE PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING**

#### **THE FIRST LESSON**

Psalm 104:24-33

One O LORD, how manifold are your works!  
in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**All Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number,  
creatures both small and great.**

One There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan,  
which you have made for the sport of it.

**All All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.**

One You give it to them; they gather it;  
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

**All You hide your face, and they are terrified;  
you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.**

One You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;  
and so you renew the face of the earth.

**All May your glory, O Lord, endure forever; may you rejoice in all your works.**

One You look at the earth and it trembles;  
you touch the mountains and they smoke.

**All I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.**

#### **THE SPECIAL MUSIC**

“Pentecost”

Hildegard von Bingen

*O ignis Spiritus paracliti,  
vita vite omnis creature,  
sanctus es vivificando formas.*

O fire of the Spirit and Defender,  
the life of every life created:  
Holy are you – giving life to every form.

*Sanctus es ungerendo periculose  
fractos, sanctus es tergerendo  
fetida vulnera.*

Holy are you – anointing the critically broken.  
Holy are you –  
cleansing the festering wounds.

*O spiraculum sanctitatis,  
o ignis caritatis,  
o dulcis gustus in pectoribus  
et infusio cordium in bono odore virtutum.*

O breath of holiness,  
O fire of love,  
O taste so sweet within the breast,  
that floods the heart with virtues' fragrant good.

## **THE SECOND LESSON**

John 20:19-23

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."

## **THE SERMON**

**Kevin Scott Fleming**

**"Fresh Air"**

### **WE GIVE THANKS FOR THE GIFT OF NEW LIFE**

#### **A TIME OF INTENTIONAL SILENCE**

#### **THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**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.  
The 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!"**

*- from A Brief Statement of Faith  
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*

#### **THE MORNING OFFERING**

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## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation to the Table  
The Prayer of Thanksgiving  
The Lord's Prayer *(in unison)*

**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.**

The Words of the Institution of the Supper of Our Lord  
The Communion of the People of God  
The Prayer Following Communion *(in unison)*

**Gracious God, may we who have received this sacrament  
live in the unity of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may show forth your gifts to all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## WE DISPERSE TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF NEW LIFE

### THE HYMN

"She Flies On!"

G. Light

**All sing the Refrain:**

**She comes sailing on the wind, her wings flashing in the sun;  
On a journey just begun, she flies on.  
And in the passage of her flight, her song rings out through the night,  
full of laughter, full of light, she flies on.**

*One* Silent waters rocking on the morning of our birth,  
like an empty cradle waiting to be filled,  
And from the heart of God the Spirit moved upon the earth,  
like a mother breathing life into her child. **Refrain**

*One* Many were the dreamers whose eyes were given sight,  
when the Spirit filled their dreams with life and form;  
Deserts turned to gardens, broken hearts found new delight,  
and then down the ages still she flew on. **Refrain**

*One* To a gentle girl in Galilee a gentle breeze she came,  
a whisper softly calling in the dark,  
The promise of a child of peace whose reign would never end,  
Mary sang the Spirit song within her heart. **Refrain**

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### THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### THE POSTLUDE

"Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song"

P. Cutts

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