

# On Pentecost They Gathered 483

Eb
Ab Bb
Eb
Ab Bb
Eb

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

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

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Cm
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might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air, and  
 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. The  
 give us ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise, so

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

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# CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR

*United Methodist*

*Bringing New Life to Greater Heights*



**May 20, 2018**  
**Sanctuary 10:30 a.m.**

Rev. Andy Call, Lead Pastor  
 Rev. Gregory Kendrick, Jr., Pastor of Connections

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

SANCTUARY

10:30 a.m.

*Listening devices and large-print bulletins are available at the welcome desk.*

## OPENING TO GOD

PRELUDE *Festal Flourish* Gordon Jacob  
*Entrance of the Queen of Sheba* G.F. Handel  
*Spirit of the Living God* arr. Edward Broughton

CHORAL INTROIT *O Hail This Joyful Day* Tye/Schwiezer  
Chancel Choir; David Gilson, director

WELCOME The Rev. Andy Call

INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT *Holy, Holy, Holy*  
Sharron Foxx, soloist; Brian Smart, piano; Anna Rose, dancer

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Helen Barr, Libby Kiker

Leader: In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit.**

Leader: Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young will see visions.  
Your elders will dream dreams.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit.**

Leader: I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit.**

Leader: And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Amen!**

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #539 *O Spirit of the Living God*

\*CALL TO CONFESSION The Rev. Gregory Kendrick, Jr.

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Without your power, O God, we are lost.**

**We have done the things we would avoid,  
and what you desire, we have not done.**

**By your purifying fire transform our lives;  
guide us into honesty and compassion  
so that filled with your peace**

**our dreams and visions may be one with yours;  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*The congregation responds:*

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you  
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you  
in the body of Christ  
and in Church of the Saviour,  
we renew our covenant**

**faithfully to participate  
in the ministries of the Church  
by our prayers, our presence,  
our gifts, our service, and our witness  
that in everything God may be glorified  
through Jesus Christ.**

*The pastor addresses those baptized, confirmed, or received, using an appropriate  
gesture of blessing:*

The God of all grace,  
who has called us to eternal glory in Christ,  
establish you and strengthen you  
by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
that you may live in grace and peace.

\*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #547 *O Church of God, United*

\*BENEDICTION & CHORAL RESPONSE

\*POSTLUDE *Sonata from "Die Bankelsängerlieder"* arr. David R. Thomas

\*The people may stand. Robert Day, organ Acolytes: Caroline Kiker, Maria Krouse

*We are grateful for our confirmation leaders: Curt Campbell and Wanda Smart; and the  
confirmation mentors: James Bertram, Brian Broadbent, Jennifer Call, Dr. Yvonne Conner, Anita  
Culbertson, Brandon Foxx, Steve Merriam, Clara Pelfrey, Tim Persons, Sharon Sudberry, Lisa  
Wadsworth, Sharon Wittke, Mike Yost*

*Special thanks to the Brass Ensemble: Justin Rowan & Kevin McLaughlin, trumpets; Nathan  
Peebles, horn; Leland Matsumura, trombone; Sebastian Bell, bass trombone*

*The flowers in Myers Chapel and the chancel are given  
in memory of Helen and Carl Gregory with love from Evelyn Gregory;  
and  
in loving memory of William C. Coughlan.*

Name, the Holy Spirit work within you,  
that having been born through water and the Spirit,  
you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*After all have been confirmed, the congregation is invited to stand in body or in spirit  
and join hands as a sign of our oneness in Christ as the pastor prays:*

Holy God,

Jesus prayed of his disciples that they would be one,  
and he prayed for all those who would come to believe  
because of their witness.

As we welcome these newest members of the Christian faith,  
we pray as Christ prayed that we would be one:  
one with Christ, one with each other,  
and one in ministry to all the world.

May our lives together bear witness  
to the love in which you called us and forever hold us,  
so that all might know the depth of your love.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,  
all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

#### RECEPTION INTO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*The pastor addresses all those who have just professed their faith and are taking the  
additional step of becoming members of Church of the Saviour:*

As members of Christ's universal Church,  
will you be live out your faith in Christ through The United Methodist Church,  
and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

**I will.**

As members of Church of the Saviour,  
will you faithfully participate in its ministries  
by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness?

**I will.**

#### COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

*The pastor addresses the congregation:*

Members of the household of God,

I commend these persons to your love and care.  
Do all in your power to increase their faith,  
confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE (Share signs of reconciliation with each other.)

### HEARING GOD'S WORD

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

*Witness*  
Combined Choirs

Jack Halloran

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

*Acts 2:1-4, 37-39*

Vince Holland, Garrett Ritts

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

THE MESSAGE

*Receive the Gift*

Rev. Call

### OFFERING OUR LIVES IN DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN OF REFLECTION *On Pentecost They Gathered* (see back)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER (#895)

Rachel Barnard, Helen Barr, Estelle Covault, Libby Kiker, Vince Holland,  
Nora Lee Reinhardt, Garrett Ritts

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Kendrick, Jr.

*For hospitality with visitors and member care, please sign the Friendship Pad.*

Offertory

*Come Down, O Love Divine*  
Combined Choirs

Roland Martin

\*The Doxology (#94) & Prayer of Dedication

### SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVICE

Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Through the Sacrament of Baptism

we are initiated into Christ's holy Church.

We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation  
and given new birth through water and the Spirit.

All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

Through confirmation,

and through the reaffirmation of our faith,

we renew the covenant declared at our baptism,

acknowledge what God is doing for us,

and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy Church.

## RECOGNITION FOR EXPLORATION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

Mason Corrigan, Xander Walker

## PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

I present these persons for confirmation:

Owen Bang	Vince Holland	Nora Lee Reinhardt
Rachel Barnard	Amy Johnson	Garrett Ritts
Helen Barr	Lillian Kiefer	Marie York
Estelle Covault	Libby Kiker	

## RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

*The pastor addresses the candidates:*

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness,  
reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

**I do.**

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you  
to resist evil, injustice, and oppression  
in whatever forms they present themselves?

**I do.**

Do you confess your faith in Jesus Christ  
and put your whole trust in the grace of God offered through Christ?

**I do.**

According to the grace given to you,  
will you live your life after the example of Christ  
so those around you will see Christ reflected in you?

**I will.**

*The pastor addresses the mentors:*

Will you who have mentored and now sponsor these candidates  
support and encourage them in their Christian life?

**I will.**

*The pastor addresses the congregation, and the congregation responds:*

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church,  
reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

**We do.**

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life  
and include these persons now before you in your care?

**With God's help we will proclaim the good news  
and live according to the example of Christ.**

**We will surround these persons  
with a community of love and forgiveness,  
that they may grow in their trust of God,  
and be found faithful in their service to others.**

**We will pray for them,  
that they may be true disciples  
who walk in the way that leads to life.**

*The pastor addresses all, and the congregation joins the candidates and their parents and sponsors in responding:*

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith  
as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

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?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in 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.**

## CONFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The candidates touch the baptismal water as the pastor says:*

Remember your baptism and be thankful. **Amen.**

*As the pastor, family, and sponsor place hands on the head of each person being confirmed, the pastor says to each:*