



PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 24, 2026

10:00 am

*please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.
Liturgist for today's worship is Sandi Webster.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP*

*Holy Spirit, you are the Lord, the giver of life;
with the Father and the Son we worship and glorify you:*

Come to us now, Spirit of God.

*Holy Spirit, you were there at creation before time began;
your presence fills the whole universe:*

Come to us now, Spirit of life.

*Holy Spirit, you have spoken through the prophets of old;
by their witness the Word of God has never been silent:*

Come to us now, Spirit of wisdom.

Holy Spirit, you surround the waiting church with the wind of Pentecost; you gave life and breath to announce Christ's gospel:

Come to us now, Spirit of power.

Holy Spirit, you came upon the first Christians as a holy fire; you set their hearts ablaze with devotion to their risen Lord:

Come to us now, Spirit of love.

Holy Spirit, you pour out your rich and varied gifts; you call us to bring forth your fruits in our lives:

Come to us now, Spirit of grace.

Holy Spirit, you are the Spirit of truth, the Counselor; you lead us to the truth that sets us free:

**Come to us now, Spirit of God,
and renew Christ's holy church.**

HYMN* *"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"* 291

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION OF SIN (Unison)

If we have followed other spirits, rather than the spirit of Jesus . . . If we have refused to give full reign to the Spirit in our deeds and words . . . So that we may be filled with the loving fruits of the Spirit . . . Have compassion on us, and in your mercy renew us with your Spirit, that we might walk afresh as your faithful people. In Christ's name we ask these things.

(silence)

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Kyrie eleison. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / * THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

RESPONSE TO PARDON

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**Every time I feel the Spirit
moving in my heart I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit
moving in my heart I will pray. (repeat)**

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

NEW TESTAMENT – Acts 2:1-21

Sandi Webster

OFFERING OF MUSIC

Adult Choir

“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God”

GOSPEL

John 7:37-39, 20:19-23

SERMON

“Inspired”

Linda Dickerson

CHORAL RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE –

(from “Belonging to God: A First Catechism”)

What were the results of Pentecost?

**The Holy Spirit filled the first Christians with joy by
revealing what Jesus had done for us. The Spirit**

inspired them to understand and proclaim the gospel, and to live a new life together in thanksgiving to God.

How do these results continue today?

The Holy Spirit also moves us to understand and believe the gospel, gives us strength and wisdom to live by it, and unites us into a new community called the church.

OFFERING OF MUSIC

Handchimes Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/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* *"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"* 286

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

CHORAL RESPONSE* 295, v. 3

**Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray;
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.
As servant church, you follow Christ's own way.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**
