



Sunday, May 31, 2020 Service – Online
Pentecost Sunday
Faith Presbyterian Church
Sierra Vista, Arizona



PRELUDE “*The Spirit Sings*” Curtis Janis Wheat, Organist

INTROIT “*Be Still*” Heather Carter, Soloist - Richard Carter, Accompanist

CALL TO WORSHIP

God says: I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

The Spirit Has Come. Alleluia!

Christ says: I will ask the Father
and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever.

The Spirit Has Come. Alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, gentle as a dove,
burning as fire,
powerful as the wind

Come, Holy Spirit, Come.

OPENING HYMN “*O Day Full of Grace*”

With gratitude to the 960 vocal and 364 instrumental participants all across North America and around the globe all united in our prayer for God’s Spirit to bring healing and newness and for the days when we again “gather in song, our hearts aglow.”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, when Jesus ascended into heaven,
he promised that we would not be alone.**

Give us grace to know your presence

When we are troubled and afraid.

We confess that we do not always follow your Spirit’s guidance;

We have neglected to use the gifts made ours by the Spirit’s power;

We often fail to love your children as the Spirit has taught us.

Make us new by the boldness of you Holy Spirit,

And guide us to share our gifts for the common good.

Help us live in peace for the sake of Christ who left us his peace.

In the name of Jesus Christ, amen.

Blair Gilmer Meeks

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The apostle Paul reminds us that “in the Spirit we were all baptized into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free...and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.” By our baptism in the Holy Spirit, we know that God has forgiven us and made us free. Thanks be to God, amen.

MINUTE FOR MISSION Sonny Coble

CHILDRENS TIME Patricia Garcia

SPECIAL MUSIC “Come Holy Spirit” Quartet: Cindy Hay, Sharon Keene, Ed Keene, Paul Hay

SCRIPTURE Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² 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. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” ¹⁴ 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. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ “In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.
¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.
¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.
²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.
²¹ And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

*Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. **Thanks be to God.***

SONG “*Spirit of the Living God*” #288

***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.***

SERMON "A Spirit That Blows Through Our Closed Doors"

RESPONSE "When the Day of Pentecost Came"

David Lemmon

RECOGNITION OF A NEW MEMBER

Ryan Percy

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed by 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.

CLOSING HYMN "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" #291

Refrain: *Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.*

*You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing;
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings."*

Refrain:

*You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.*

Refrain:

*You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.*

Refrain:

*You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise.*

Refrain:

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "May the God of Hope" #765

May the God of hope go with us every day,

***Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace;
Singing, share our joy with all;
Working for a world that's new,
Faithful when we hear Christ's call.***

POSTLUDE “*Spirit Song*” Wimber

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Note: Communion will follow on Facebook Live! directly after the watch party of the service that begins on Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Participants:

Rev. Renée Rico - Pastor

Elder Bill Brouwer - Worship Leader

Elder Heather Carter and Elder Richard Carter – Introit

Patricia Garcia – Children's Time

Sonny Coble – Minute for Mission

Cindy Hay, Sharon Keene, Ed Keene, Paul Hay – Special Music

Sharon Keene and Janis Wheat – Musicians

Elder Paul Hay – Video/Tech

Elder Judy Mayhew – Photos