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Meeting Time
Sunday at 10:30 Worship

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Welcome and Announcement

Minute for Mission

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Introit

“Holy Spirit Come, Come”

St. Andrew Choir

Call to Worship (*Responsive*)

(Written by Beth Merrill Neel ‘Hold Fast to What Is Good’)

In those days, says the Lord –

In those days after Jesus rose from the dead, in those days when no one really knew what was going on or what was going to happen –

In those days God exhaled the Holy Spirit.

And when the disciples pushed out their fear

And as dancing flames heralded the arrival of something new

And as the birth cry was the cries of many languages, all understood –

In those days, the church was born, out of fear and fire,

With joy and awe.

The church was born.

Our church.

God’s church.

Let us worship God.

*Hymn 289

“On Pentecost They Gathered”

***On Pentecost they gathered quite early in the day,
a band of Christ's disciples, to worship, sing, and pray.***

***A mighty wind came blowing, filled all the swirling air,
and tongues of fire aglowing inspired each person there.***

***The people all around them were startled and amazed
to understand their language, as Christ the Lord they praised.***

***What universal message, what great good news was here?
That Christ, once dead, is risen to vanquish all our fear.***

***God pours the Holy Spirit on all who would believe,
on women, men, and children who would God's grace receive.***

***That Spirit knows no limit, bestowing life and power.
The church, formed and reforming, responds in every hour.***

***O Spirit, sent from heaven on that day long ago,
rekindle faith among us in all life's ebb and flow.***

*O give us ears to listen and tongues aflame with praise,
so folk of every nation glad songs of joy shall raise.*

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

*Merciful and gracious God,
Our hearts cry out for you to make us whole again.
Even as we celebrate that you have come to dwell within us,
We have sinned against you and abandoned your commandments.
We have been jealous, possessive, ambivalent, and impulsive.
We have not heeded your Word and we have not cherished your covenant.
Help us to glorify you in all times and in all places.
As our souls thirst for your living waters,
Quench our needs and satisfy our love.
That we may come back to you and be sent forth
To fill the world with your mercy and grace.
In the name of your son, Jesus Christ,
And by the power of the Holy Spirit who is at work within us,
Amen.*

Assurance of Grace (*Responsive*)

Sisters and brothers in Christ, God's Spirit did not leave us after that first Pentecost. The Spirit is still with us, empowering us to know mercy and grace, forgiveness and service. In this Spirit, and through Christ, we proclaim the Good News:

We are forgiven Alleluia! Amen.

Anthem

"*Canticle of the Spirit*" by David Poole

St. Andrew Choir

Prayers of the People

"*Come and Fill*"

*Hymn 293

"*Loving Spirit*"

Refrain:

*Loving Spirit, loving Spirit, you have chosen me to be,
you have drawn me to your wonder,
you have set your sign on me.*

*Like a mother you enfold me, hold my life within your own,
feed me with your very body, form me of your flesh and bone.*

*Like a father you protect me, teach me the discerning eye,
hoist me up upon your shoulder, let me see the world from high.*

*Friend and lover, in your closeness I am known and held and blessed:
in your promise is my comfort, in your presence I may rest.*

Refrain

Passing of the Peace (*Responsive*)

The Peace of Christ be with you
And also with you

Sung Prayer of Illumination (*Unison*)

*Hymn 451

“Open My Eyes, That I May See” (vs. 1-2)

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.

Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear.

And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!

First Lesson:

Acts 2:1-4

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.

Second Lesson:

John 14:8-17, 25-26

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵ “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

²⁵ “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you.

Sermon

“Spirit Within”

Rev. Anne McAnelly

Offering

Doxology

Offering Prayer (Responsive)

Almighty and most merciful Lord, all that we have and all that we are comes from you. Accept these humble gifts and even our whole selves that they and we may be a blessing to all those whom you love. Continue to make us mindful of the great need in our midst as we participate in your unifying, transforming work in the world. ***Amen.***

Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving (*Responsive*)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

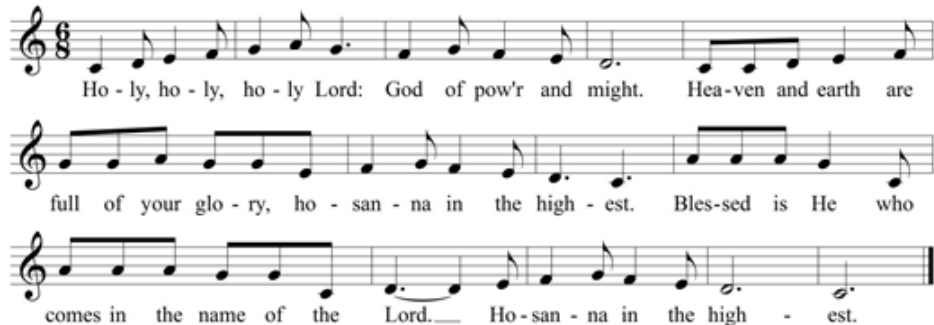
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

Sanctus Don Adkins



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord: God of pow'r and might. Hea-ven and earth are
full of your glo - ry, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bles-sed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

While the bread is being served, the congregation is invited to sing (544),

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads us into life.

While the cup is being served, the congregation is invited to sing (527),

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

Hymn

"Tongues of Fire"

St. Andrew Choir

Benediction