

Day of Pentecost

June 5th, 2022

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME “Prelude in Classic Style”

Rebekah Ratza

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalms 30, 89, 92, 95, 96 & 100)

**On the day of Pentecost,
the church was gathered together in one place.
Could it have looked something like this?**

Turn and look around you; notice the people who sit near you today.

**On the day of Pentecost,
the Spirit of God blew through the church like a howling wind.
Could it have sounded something like this?**

Respond by making wind noises with your mouth and by rubbing your hands back and forth.

**On the day of Pentecost,
differences were minimized as people came together
seeing and hearing one another.
Could it have felt something like this?**

Respond by holding hands with someone seated close to you.

**On the day of Pentecost,
the Spirit of God fell down like rain
on everyone gathered there that day.
And sons and daughters prophesied.**

If you are someone's child, no matter your age, place one hand on your heart.

**And young people saw visions,
and old people dreamed dreams.**

If you consider yourself wise in years, place a second hand on your heart.

**Thanks be to God for bringing us together
in this place for worship.
May we, like those before us,
worship God with our whole hearts. Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN G2G #295 “Go to the World”

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: *Dramatic reading of scripture*

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 2:1-4

SERMON “Pentecost”

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

A MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

What of our old lives, personally and communally, needs to be burned away?

What needs to be renewed? Or, to put it theologically, of what do we need to repent (Acts 2:37-38)?

In what ways do we need to witness to God's life-giving work in Jesus Christ (Acts 2:32)?

OFFERING

(If you would like a written prayer request included in our prayers today, please indicate that and an usher will collect them)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing with Clementi” Rebekah Ratza

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Mighty God, you showed up in dazzling light and in a still, small voice.

You showed up as a tiny baby lying in a manger.

You showed up on a long dusty walk to Emmaus.

You keep showing up in the most mysterious ways,
so we should have known you might show up like a powerful wind and dancing fire,
bringing with you the reminder of warmth,

and the ability for us to hear one another.

We should have known, and yet we didn't. We don't.

Like the disciples on the way to Emmaus, we can't see you.

Like the weary people of Bethlehem, we don't make room for you.

And like members of the early church community,

we look for excuses to explain your presence away.

Despite our bad track record, we come to you today,

asking that once more you might give us a second chance;

we ask that once more you might pour your Spirit out on us.

For we are in desperate need of you

and the mysterious ways you keep showing up. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON COMMUNION

BEARING THE WORD OUT TO THE WORD

HYMN

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

Cameron Carlson – Fenton High School. Cameron will be attending Western Michigan University to study Environmental & Sustainability Studies, and applying to art school to also study Graphic Design.

Annabeth Carnes – Fenton High School. Annabeth will be finishing her Associates degree at Mott Community College and then transferring for a BA in Psychology.

Madeline Gibb – Lake Fenton High School. Madeline will be attending Central Michigan University studying Psychology and French, along with participating in the Musical Theatre program.

Skye Hodgkin – Fenton High School. Skye will be attending Wright State University pursuing a BFA, Acting.

Audrey MacLean – Fenton High School. Audrey will be attending Western Michigan University studying Business.

Alexandria Browne - Fenton High School

Peyton Graham – Fenton High School

CHARGE AND BLESSING

Come Holy Spirit, come.

Give us a vision for a new day.

Come Holy Spirit, come.

Give us a mission for this day.

Come Holy Spirit, come,

Help us to heal a broken world.

And now may the love of God, the grace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,

Be with us now and forever. Amen.

POSTLUDE “Toccata (from Symphony for Organ No. 5)”

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PENTECOST
SPECIAL OFFERINGS

CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

I know the plans I have for you,
says the Lord,
... to give you a future
with *Hope.*

— JEREMIAH 29:11.

