



CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, BROCKTON, MA

Pentecost Sunday



June 5, 2022

9:55 am

AN ASTERISK IN THE BULLETIN INDICATES THAT ALL FOR WHOM IT IS COMFORTABLE SHOULD RISE FOR THAT PART OF THE SERVICE

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

Healer of Our Every Ill

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moriah Park

***THRESHOLD MOMENT¹** (Music – ‘Give to Us Your Peace’ No. 296)

Leader: Across the plains and prairies,

All: Through gorges and valleys,

Leader: Over mountain peaks and through sunlit skies:

All: God’s Spirit is at work in the world.

(sung together)

**Dona nobis pacem Domine
Give to us your peace, O Jesus Christ.**

Leader: In our hearts,

All: In our minds,

Leader: In our hands and feet,

All: God’s Spirit is at work in us, too.

Leader: So let us worship God.

(sung together)

**Dona nobis pacem Domine
Give to us your peace, O Jesus Christ.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION¹ *(in unison)*

Leader: Sometimes we are like those disciples so long ago:

**All: Huddled in fear of what others will think,
Of what others will do,
Of what God will do.**

Leader: Sometimes we are like passive bystanders:

**All: Making fun of what we do not understand,
Tearing down what is sacred to another
Waiting until we are sure it's okay.**

Leader: Always God is with us:

**All: Nudging us like a gentle breeze,
Stirring us with flames of hope
Speaking to us with words engraved in our hearts.**

Leader: In silent prayer, let us offer God our confession and our hope.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS & LIGHTING OF THE PEACE LAMP¹

Sisters and brothers and siblings 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:

All: We are forgiven Alleluia! Amen.

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Please share a socially distanced sign of Christ's peace with those closest to you and with those worshiping with us from home.

SONG OF PREPARATION

'Spirit of the Living God'

No. 259

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1-21

When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak.

There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. They were surprised and amazed, saying, "Look, aren't all the people who are speaking Galileans, every one of them? How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language? Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; as well as residents of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the regions of Libya bordering Cyrene; and visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the mighty works of God in our own languages!" They were all surprised and bewildered. Some asked each other, "What does this mean?" Others jeered at them, saying, "They're full of new wine!"

Peter stood with the other eleven apostles. He raised his voice and declared, “Judeans and everyone living in Jerusalem! Know this! Listen carefully to my words! These people aren’t drunk, as you suspect; after all, it’s only nine o’clock in the morning! Rather, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

*In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy.
Your young will see visions.
Your elders will dream dreams.
Even upon my servants, men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.
I will cause wonders to occur in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and a cloud of smoke.
The sun will be changed into darkness,
and the moon will be changed into blood,
before the great and spectacular day of the Lord comes.
And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.*

SERMON

Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco

ANTHEM

‘Send Down Your Spirit, Lord’

Nancy and Don Besig

PASTORAL PRAYER³

PRAYER OF JESUS *(in unison)*

Our Creator (Father) who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kin-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kin-dom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***HYMN**

‘Every Time I Feel the Spirit’

No.592
African American Spiritual

CALL FOR OFFERINGS⁴

Because of our love for the Divine Giver, we seek ways to share our love through our treasures, talents, and time. Whether we give in this hour or throughout this week, may we remember that God’s Spirit encircles these gifts with hope.

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OFFERTORY

‘Hold On’

Gospel Plow

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

‘Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow’

No. 47

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION⁴**



SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

Come to this table

Where bread and cup are transformed by the Spirit of God

Into a meal of love and grace, A supper of visions and dreams,

A table where all souls are welcome. This table is open to all who are created in the image of God, and who wish to be in closer relationship to God and the whole of creation.

COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader: God be with you!

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them to God.

Leader: Let us give thanks to God Most High!

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader: Let us pray - Loving God

Whose Divine Lungs exhaled the Spirit into our World

Your breath continues to transform our world, from the still to the stirring.

Before the earth was formed, the Spirit of God swirled through voids and shadows.

As humans were created, the air of God filled the lungs of Adam, and the soul of Eve.

This Divine Air continues to fill us up when our bones are dry and spirits are sluggish.

Therefore with the entire company of the saints in heaven and on earth, we worship and glorify you, God Most Holy.

HYMN

'Santo, Santo, Santo'

No. 111

C G7 Am F G C

San - to, san - to, san - to. ¡Mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra! Mi
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly. My heart, my heart a - dores you! My

F G7 C Am F G7 C

co - ra - zón te sa - be de - cir: ¡San - to e - res Señ - or!
heart knows how to say to you: Ho - ly are you, Lord!

REMEMBERING THE STORY

Leader: The night before Jesus died was a solemn time around the table.

Breaking bread. Drinking from the cup.

Jesus asking to remember him in our eating and drinking.

There was a time to mourn followed by a time to dance.

After the day of resurrection

The disciples ate on the beach with the risen Christ

Celebrating new life, new hope, new vitality.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of our faith,

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

BREAKING THE BREAD & POURING THE CUP

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

**Communion today will be served by members of the congregation coming forward to receive the elements. Please proceed down the center aisle to receive a piece of bread from one of the pastors. Consume the bread and then move to the cup and do the same. Once you have received communion please return to your seat in the pews using the side aisle. If you are not able to come forward for communion, please let one of our Deacons know and communion will be brought to you.*

COMMUNION ANTHEM

'In This Very Room'

Ron and Carol Harris

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *(in unison)*

Spirit of God, who fed the multitudes, provided the manna in the wilderness, and blessed the elements, we give great thanks for the meal eaten and the company surrounding us. Inspire us as we move forward this day and encourage us to transform our dreams into reality. Amen.

*HYMN

'Wake the Dawn Is Now Full Rising'

No. 239

*BENEDICTION⁵

In each gust of wind, may we reach out to the God of inspiration.

In each flicker of flame, may we follow the Christ of light.

For the Spirit of God surrounds us, filling our hearts with dreams, our minds with visions, and our souls with the energy to create the realm of God on earth. Amen.

(sung together)

**Dona nobis pacem Domine
Give to us your peace, O Jesus Christ.**

POSTLUDE

Participating in Today's Worship Service:

Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco, Senior Pastor
Rev. Ann-Marie Illsley, Associate Pastor
Murray Kidd, Music Director
Anton Faynberg, Organist
Eddie Kidd, Guest Musician, Drum Set
Owen Kidd, Guest Musician, Trumpet
Alisa Cassola, Soloist
David Wilcox, ASL Interpreter

¹ Neel, Beth Merrill. "Pentecost Liturgy." *Hold Fast To What Is Good*, 31 May 2022, <https://holdfasttowhatisgood.com/liturgy/pentecost-liturgy/>.

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³ Vest, John W. "Prayer for Pentecost." *re:Worship*, 31 May 2022, <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2017/05/pastoral-prayer-for-pentecost.html>.

⁴ Torigian, Rev. Michelle. "Ask God: Service Prayers for Pentecost Sunday C." *Worship Ways UCC*, 5 June 2022, <https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/pentecost-sunday-c-june-5/>

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YOU'RE INVITED!
TO:
Wednesday Bible Study
10:00 AM each Wednesday
On Zoom

For more details, or to get the Zoom link, contact:
Pastor Jeff - pastor@brocktonucc.org
Alice Farnsworth - grammy58@comcast.net



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Musical Meditation
With Anton Faynberg

Every Wednesday at 3:30 PM
In the sanctuary at Christ Congregational Church

Come for a meditative musical service that further reflects upon our readings and themes from the previous Sunday.

For more information please contact the church office.



The SERRV table will be open on June 12th in Fellowship Hall after worship. This is the yearly HALF PRICE SALE!

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JUNE'S SECOND SATURDAY @ CHRIST
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

It's Movie Night!

June 11, 2022 | 7:00 pm
Christ Congregational Church
1350 Pleasant Street, Brockton

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On Pentecost They Gathered

Descant

4. O Spir - it, sent from heav-en on that day long a - go,

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

re - kin-dle faith a - mong us in all life's ebb and flow.

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

Give ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,

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

WORDS: Jane Parker Huber, 1981
 MUSIC: Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693; harm. Felix Mendelssohn, 1847;
 desc. O. I. Crickett Harrison, 1994

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so ev - ery na - tion glad songs shall raise.

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

Spirit of the Living God

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a-fresh on me.

WORDS and MUSIC: Daniel Iverson, 1926

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Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Refrain

Ev-ery time I feel the Spir-it mov-ing in my heart, I will

pray. Yes, ev-ery time I feel the Spir-it mov-ing

Fine

in my heart, I will pray.

1. Up-on the moun-tain, my Lord
2. Jor-dan Riv-er chil-ly and
3. I have heart-ache, I have

spoke, out his mouth came fire and smoke. All a-cold,
chills the bod-y, not the soul. Ain't but woe,
I have trou-ble here be-low. While God

WORDS: African-American spiritual
MUSIC: African-American spiritual; adapt. and arr. William Farley Smith, 1986

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D.C.

round me looks so fine, ask my Lord if all was mine.
one train on this track, runs to heav-en and right back.
leads me I'll not fear, I am shel-tered by God's care.

47 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

The first system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 2/2. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are written below the upper staff.

WORDS: Thomas Ken, 1674, alt.
MUSIC: Louis Bourgeois, 1551

OLD HUNDREDTH
LM

Alt. tune: OLD HUNDREDTH (altered rhythm)

God, all crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye

The second system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 2/2. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are written below the upper staff.

heaven - ly hosts: Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

The third system of music consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 2/2. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are written below the upper staff.

239 Wake, the Dawn Is Now Full Rising

Unison Gm Eb Dm Gm

1. Wake, the dawn is now full ris - ing, by the Spir - it
 2. Rise and stand in noon's high glo - ry, Christ is here in
 3. Rest while eve - ning shad - ows length - en; God's own church is

Eb F Gm Gm Dm Gm

we are roused; see - ing, touch - ing, hear - ing feel - ing,
 new ar - ray, crowns of fire our count' - nance bright - en;
 now full born. Know the peace by Spir - it giv - en,

Eb Bb Dm Gm Gm F Bb

Christ's new life in us is housed. Al - le - lu - ia!
 winds of hope re - fresh our way. Al - le - lu - ia!
 share the hush of pil - grims worn. Al - le - lu - ia!

Gm Dm Gm Eb F Bb Gm Dm

Praise the Spir - it who for earth a church de - signs.
 Raise the sing - ing, now one tongue God's love em - ploys.
 God, we won - der at your great - ness still un - told.

WORDS: Jim Miller, 1992
 MUSIC: William Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835;
 harm. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, 1978

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Alt. tune: HYMN TO JOY

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Gm Dm Gm Dm Gm Eb F Gm

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the proph - ets who fore - named these ho - ly times.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Raise the prais - es now one bod - y lives with joy.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Awed, we pon - der all your gifts that still un - fold.