



## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, Holy Spirit,

**The wind of God, the breath of life.**

Come, Holy Spirit,

**Our advocate, our guide.**

Come, Holy Spirit,

**teacher of wisdom, reminder of Christ.**

Come, Holy Spirit,

**soother of souls, giver of peace.**

Come, Holy Spirit.

**come and bind us together  
in love and witness.**

## HYMN #280 *Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us*

## PRAYER OF PRAISE

Come to us, Spirit of God,  
source of every blessing,

**not because we have to,  
but because we sincerely want to;  
not because we are afraid,  
but because we are full of gratitude.**

Come to us, Spirit of God,  
source of every blessing,

**not so we might try and earn  
heavenly favours,  
but because we seek  
only what you want to give us.**

Come to us, Spirit of God,  
source of every blessing,

**not because you need our praise  
to keep you happy,  
but because we need to praise you  
to keep our hearts filled with joy.**

Come to us, Spirit of God,  
source of every blessing,

**and tune our hearts to sing your praise.**

## RESPONSE #288 *Spirit of the Living God* (sung through twice)

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REFLECTION

**O God, you who are always doing a new thing,  
we confess that we sometimes close windows  
against the fresh air of new ideas,  
against the sound of other people's concerns,  
against the winds of change.  
God of every place and time,  
we confess that we often draw the curtains  
against people who are different,  
against world concerns or community concerns.  
Forgive us our insulation in our locked homes,  
our shuttered churches,  
the security systems on our hearts.  
Open up our lives,  
and let your Spirit blow through.**

(silent prayer and reflection)

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**—based on 2Timothy 1:7

*“For God did not give us a Spirit of fear, but of power, of love, and self-discipline.”*

Friends in Christ, know that you are empowered by the Holy Spirit to go forth confidently in the knowledge of God’s love for you, and to love others as you have been loved. Receive the Spirit of mercy and grace, and walk in love.

**Thanks be to God!**

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**HYMN #451** *Open My Eyes That I May See*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Joel 2:28-29  
Acts 2:1-13

**MESSAGE** Diversity in the Spirit, Unity in Christ

**HYMN #317** *In Christ There is No East or West*

**WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your 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 yours is the kingdom,  
and the power,  
and the glory  
now and forever. Amen.*

**HYMN #733** *We All Are One in Mission*

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”* John 20:21