



## Pentecost Sunday Graduate Recognition

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, Holy Spirit,  
**the wind of God, the breath of life.**  
Come, Holy Spirit,  
**our advocate, our counselor.**  
Come, Holy Spirit,  
**teacher of wisdom, reminder of Christ.**  
Come, Holy Spirit,  
**supplier of grace, giver of peace.**  
Come, Holy Spirit,  
**come and bind us together in love and witness.**

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

**Come, O Spirit, dwell among us,  
come with Pentecostal power;  
give the church a stronger vision,  
help us face each crucial hour.  
Built upon a firm foundation,  
Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,  
still the church is called to mission  
that God's love shall be made known.**

**We would raise our alleluias  
for the grace of yester years;  
for tomorrow's unknown pathway,  
hear, O God, our humble prayers.  
In the church's pilgrim journey  
you have led us all the way,  
still in presence move before us,  
fire by night and cloud by day.**

**Come, O Spirit, dwell among us,  
give us words of fire and flame.  
Help our struggling voices praise you.  
glorify your holy name.  
Good Creator, Savior, Spirit,  
Three in One: what mystery!  
We would sing our loud hosannas  
now and through eternity.**

### PRAYER OF PRAISE—from Psalm 104:31-34

**May the glory of the Lord endure forever;  
may the Lord rejoice in his works—  
who looks on the earth and it trembles,  
who touches the mountains and they smoke.  
I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.  
May my meditation be pleasing to him,  
for I rejoice in the Lord.**

### RESPONSE #288 *Spirit of the Living God*

**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.**

### 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 news 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.**

(time for silent prayers and reflection)

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**—from Romans 8:14-17

*For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs: heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.*

Children of God, hear this: you belong to God! Fear is not needed or useful; with our brother Jesus, we walk in confidence and peace, knowing that God is strengthening us inwardly and guiding us, and our world, in love.

**Thanks be to God!**

**SONG #7** *What Does the Lord Require of You?*

**What does the Lord require of you?  
What does the Lord require of you?**

**Justice, kindness,  
walk humbly with your God.**

**To seek justice, and love kindness,  
and walk humbly with your God.**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Genesis 11:1-9 ~ John 14:15-17, 25-27 ~ Acts 2:5-18

**MESSAGE** Christ's Promise of Prophetic Peace  
for Everyone! - *Jonna R.*

**HYMN #291** *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness, verses 3&4*

**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 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]**

**CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION**

Come, all you who are loved by God! Christ invites all to trust in him and to dine at his table. Come to receive all the benefits and blessings of his atoning death, his life-giving resurrection, and his ascended lordship.

**We come to the table not just as individuals but as a community. By sharing the bread and the cup, Christ makes us one with him and with each other.**

Just as we are nourished by the food we eat, Christ nourishes us spiritually at this table with the bread of heaven and the cup of salvation.

**At the Lord's Supper we look *back*, remembering the story of our salvation; we look *around*, seeing that we are together members of the body of Christ; we look *forward* to the great banquet in God's coming kingdom; and we look *within* to find our indwelling Lord, who promises to feed us by the Holy Spirit.**

This is the joyful feast of the people of God!  
Let us give thanks:

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**With joy we praise you, gracious Father, for you have created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—even when we wandered away from you.**

**We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.**

**Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name. Amen.**

At his last supper, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, he took the cup after supper and said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me." For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes (1 Corinthians 11:23-26). Take, eat! Remember and believe that the body of Christ is the bread of heaven for us. Take, drink! Remember and believe that the blood of Christ is the cup of our salvation.

[Closing Prayer:]

**Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.**

#### **BLESSING OF GRADUATES**

#### **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 #286 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God***

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love,  
and do what Thou wouldst do.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
until my heart is pure,  
until with thee I will one will,  
to do and to endure.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
till I am wholly thine,  
until this earthly part of me  
glows with thy fire divine.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
so shall I never die,  
but live with thee the perfect life  
of Thine eternity.**

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### **POSTLUDE**