

June 5, 2022 at 10 am

“I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth.” (John 14:16–17)

PRELUDE

**WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND
PRAYERS FOR CONGREGATIONAL NEEDS**

CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE)

Lord, you are present even before we invoke your presence,
your Spirit bestowed at Pentecost, promised to us always.

So we rejoice in your presence and your promise,
and we ask you to move among us as we worship together.

**You know our cares and our concerns;
you know our trials and tribulations;
you know our joys and our sorrows.
And in all that we are, we are nothing without you.**

So today we come to you in worship
from a multitude of moments,
from a variety of backgrounds,
from all walks of living, yet one in the Spirit.

**And we humbly give thanks,
that the promises we count upon remain true today,
as they have for generation upon generation.**

Your mercies are great and everlasting, O Lord,
and we give thanks. Amen.

*** HYMN #138: “WONDERFUL MERCIFUL SAVIOR”**

Wonderful merciful Savior
Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb
Could rescue the souls of men
Oh You rescue the souls of men.

*You are the One that we praise
You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for
Oh our hearts always hunger for.*

Counselor Comforter Keeper
Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts

Have hopelessly lost the way
Oh we hopelessly lost the way. [REFRAIN]

Almighty infinite Father
Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne
Oh we're falling before Your throne. [REFRAIN]

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A PENTECOST READING: ACTS 2:1-21

HYMN #324: "OPEN MY EYES THAT I MIGHT SEE"

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, ears, heart], 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. [REFRAIN]

Open my mouth, and let me bear,
Gladly the warm truth everywhere;
Open my heart and let me prepare
Love with Thy children thus to share. [REFRAIN]

THE READING AND PROCLAMATION OF SCRIPTURE

Sermon: *"The Who, What, and Why of the Holy Spirit"*—Chuck Guth

John 14:15-18, 26; 15:26, 27; 16:5-15

"If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. . . . The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me. . . . But now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things. But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because people do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

“I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S LOVE WITH OUR OFFERINGS

The ceramic jars in the offering plates are designated for the Deacons’ Fund and the World Vision Fund. Our deacons provide care, support, and financial assistance to those in the congregation in need. The World Vision Fund helps support a Sponsored Child through World Vision.

*** DOXOLOGY**

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

CHOIR: “I WILL SING”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

COMMUNION

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Our practice is to eat the bread individually as it is distributed, and to hold onto the cup until all have received it, and partake of it in unison.

*** HYMN #322: “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.

BENEDICTION

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