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## DAY OF PENTECOST SUNDAY

### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

#### Prelude

*Toccatina, from Soirées Musicales*  
by Clara Schumann

#### Welcome & Announcements

Leader: This is a day that God has made!  
All: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

*Time for sharing news of the church.*

#### Introit

**Holy Spirit, Come to Us**  
*Glory to God #284, v. 1*

#### Call to Worship

Leader: The Day of Pentecost has arrived and calls us to dance –  
to dance in the wind and fire of the Spirit, to feel,  
to allow exuberance to fill our bodies and souls.

**People: With those in Jerusalem on that day, may we dare to dream – to imagine –  
to let our breath be taken away – and to dance!**

Leader: The Day of Pentecost has arrived and calls us to dance –

**People: the day when the flames of faith dance in our hearts.**

Leader: The Day of Pentecost has arrived and calls us to dance –

**People: the day when our babbling speech becomes the Good News for the world.**

Leader: The Day of Pentecost has arrived and calls us to dance –

**People: the day when compassion is seared into our souls.**

Leader: The Day of Pentecost has arrived and calls us to dance –

**People: let the people of God rejoice with shouts of “Alleluia!”**

#### Gathering Song

**What Is This Place**  
*Glory to God #404, v. 1-3*

## Invitation to Confession

Leader: Feel the Spirit of God moving in your soul.  
Listen to the Spirit speaking to you of hope and wholeness.  
Trust the promises God has made that new life is our inheritance.  
Join me as we open ourselves to God's healing Spirit, as we pray together:

## Litany Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Leader: Spirit, you are alive in me.  
**People: And sometimes I'm afraid.**  
Leader: Spirit, you nudge me. You whisper in my ear.  
You blow around me, urging me to action.  
**People: And sometimes I'm afraid.**  
Leader: Spirit, you are alive in me. And you are always here.  
Always moving, always calling. And I am unaware.  
**People: And sometimes I'm afraid.**  
Leader: Afraid of the task. Afraid of caring. Afraid of responsibility.  
Afraid of myself.  
**People: Spirit, you are alive in me.**  
Leader: And I will let you lead me. And I will hear you call me.  
And I will journey with you, even when I'm afraid.  
**People: Spirit, you are alive in me, and I am alive in you.**  
**Amen.**

## Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Leader: With a gentle breeze God enflames our spirits;  
with a strong wind, God reminds us of our need to forgive and be forgiven.  
Like a cleansing storm, God takes away our past, revealing our fresh, new life.  
**People: Awakened, refreshed, renewed, made whole:  
now we can dance with the wind,  
singing our praises to the One who gives life to all. Alleluia!**

## Passing The Peace

Leader: Since God in Christ Jesus has forgiven us,  
let us forgive one another.  
The peace of Jesus Christ be with you all.  
Please share the peace of Jesus Christ  
with those with whom you are joining us for worship.

## Song of Praise

**Alleluia!**  
*Glory to God #587, v. 1*

## WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

## Children's Message

**Hannah Peters**

## Anthem

**Lord, Send Out Your Spirit (Psalm 104)**  
*by Ken Canedo*

## Scripture Reading

**Acts of the Apostles 2:1-21**

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.  
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.  
And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.  
The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.  
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God**

**Message** "Experiencing the Unexpected"

**Rev. Marilyn Gamm**

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**Song of Response**

**As the Wind Song**  
*Glory to God #292, v. 1-2*

**Minute for Mission**

**John Roman**

**Prayers of the People**

*A time for silent prayers will be offered during the Prayers of the People.*

## The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## Offering

### Invitation

### Doxology

**Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**  
*Glory to God #606, v. 1*

### Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

**The Day of Pentecost is a turning point for the church – both then and now! The Spirit lives in us and still calls us to boldness and brilliance, to be filled with hope and love and joy, and to dance with the rhythm of that Spirit. As we dedicate the gifts of our Spirit-filled lives and witnesses along with our financial offerings, may it be so in us and in all the church! Amen.**

## WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST

### Song of Service

**On Pentecost They Gathered**  
*Glory to God #289, v. 1-4*

### Commission and Blessing

### Postlude

**“Ritual Fire Dance” from *El Amor Brujo***  
*by Manuel de Falla*

### Participants in Today's Worship

**Pastor** – Marilyn Gamm

**Director of Music & Pianist/Organist** – Christian Hendricks

**Liturgist** – George Van Hare

**Children & Youth Minister** – Hannah Peters

**Communications Coordinator** – Katie Gibbons

**Technical Support** – Dylan Voss and John Roman

**Soloist** – Madeline Black

**Ushers** - Jan Schulte-Glad and Margy Brown

### **The Trinity Choir:**

*Soprano – Aleta Klein, Cricket Gordon, Jenn Clodi, Madeline Black (Section Leader)*

*Alto – Connie Torretta, Margy Brown, Nancy Wagoner, Rachel Presti, Janelle Pierce (Section Leader)*

*Tenor – Brian Schroer, Pat Courtney, Evan Babel (Section Leader)*

*Bass – George Van Hare, Nigel Holloway, John Galczynski*

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**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**NEWS AND NOTES FOR MAY 23, 2021**

*We open our doors to all persons to join in worship, fellowship, educational programs, and service.*

*We welcome into membership all who profess faith in Jesus Christ without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, worldly conditions, sexual orientation, disability, or any other human condition.*

*We elect and ordain persons who are called by God and committed to serving the Lord Jesus Christ in the Church.*

**LIMITED IN PERSON WORSHIP BEGINS JUNE 6, 2021!**

On May 11 we joyfully announced plans for an initial reopening of the Trinity Presbyterian Church building for limited in person worship beginning Sunday, June 6, 2021.

**Sign Up**

We are requesting those who plan to attend in person worship services to register in advance via Sign Up Genius, and to do so for Sunday, June 6 forward, please go to the link that was in the newsletter.

You also may register by leaving a message at the church office (314-725-3840).

**Arrival**

We are requesting that those attending in person worship arrive no earlier than 9:45 a.m. each Sunday.

This will allow time for rehearsals, along with sound and other technology testing prior to the service.

**Worship Online Continues**

While we are delighted to begin worshipping in person in limited ways, we understand and respect that for various reasons not everyone may be ready to return to the building.

For those who prefer to worship in the comfort and safety of their home, we will continue to provide the live stream worship service via Facebook Live, with uploads of the service to YouTube, as we have been doing for the past year.

**The Church gathers in worship in many places and ways!**

**Exciting News! Trinity All-Church Retreat to Mound Ridge is scheduled for September 11-12.** Mark your calendar and stay tuned for additional info. to follow.

**Summer Sunday School Continues**

Each week, Miss Hannah will present a very brief Bible story, accompanied by a picture depicting the story for children to view as the story is being told.

Simple, related crafts and activity sheets will be available in Trinit-E-News each week if interested.

The stories chosen are ones we do not cover in Children's Worship during the programming year.

**The Food Pantry uses the local Schnucks store to purchase canned goods and other non-perishables for the pantry.** We are taking part in the Schnucks reward program and receive award credits to use as credit against our food pantry purchases. If you shop at Schnucks, you too can add to this by using Trinity's phone number 725-3840 when checking out. The credit will go against future food pantry purchases. The small amounts add up!

**Trinity is “broadcasting” our Sunday morning 10 a.m. worship service via our Facebook page or you can watch the recording on YouTube later on Sundays.** Those who participate in this way on home computers or mobile devices can even type messages to one another during the live service, such as doing a virtual passing of the peace. Also, Facebook has captions! While watching the service, find the gear icon at the bottom of the video and click on it. When you do, an option pops up to turn on closed captioning!

Kids and parents probably already know about this, but if you are not a parent of a young person and have **wondered what goes on in “Children’s Church,” now you can experience it!** Hannah Peters has taped a YouTube video, and updated links will be posted regularly on the “Sundays at Trinity” section of our website homepage.

**As we live in this challenging time, Trinity continues to be available to all those who need us.** Members desiring pastoral care are encouraged to call the church office at 314-725-3840 or to reach out to Deacons Corie Merker, 314-434-8286, or Cathy Smith, 314-725-0586. Your need will be shared confidentially with our Transitional Pastor the Reverend Marilyn Gamm. You also can email her directly at [Marilyn.gamm@trinityucity.org](mailto:Marilyn.gamm@trinityucity.org)

**Supporting the church through your financial gifts continues to be encouraged!** Please mail your contributions to Trinity Presbyterian Church, Att’n: Linde, 6800 Washington Ave., University City, MO 63130, or check out the online giving instructions below.

1) Text the code TPCDONATE \$[your gift] to 73256. You'll receive a text back with a link that lets you complete your online donation.

2) Log in to your Onrealm account ([onrealm.org](http://onrealm.org)) and click on the "Giving" tab.

#### **Session**

Gordon Brown, Diana Gray, Kevin Harkins, Nigel Holloway, Mary Klingensmith, Sarah New Mayer, Mary McKown, Brian Muegge (Clerk), Bob Parks, Rachel Presti, Tim Rand, Jan Schulte-Glad

#### **Deacons**

DeAnne Brown, Bill Cahoon, Stacey Carman, Anna Gardner-Andrews, Corie Merker, John Merker, Jim Person, Art Platt, Diana Regan, Joanne Roman, Cathy Smith, Spirit Sorenson