

May 19, 2024 Pentecost Sunday 10:30 AM

**Those who are able, please stand*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. We hope the service will be a blessing to you. This is Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost Sunday is one of the most exciting days of the Christian Year. It is the birthday of the church.

Announcements:

Monday May 20, 2024 - Free Lunch 11:30 - 12:30 PM No Main UMC

Food Pantry: May 20, 2024 - 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Neighborhood Engagement Chicken Bar-be-que 3:00 PM @ Runnings

Baccalaureate June 12, 2024 @ 5:00 PM @ No Main UMC

Awards Program, Gloversville High School June 18, 2024 Interfaith Council Awards

The Flowers on the Alter are given by Sandra Maceyka in Memory of her Mother.

MUSICAL PRELUDE: “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” Pianist Mavis Baldwin

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (In Unison)

Do not be afraid as God’s love is offered to all. Our Comforter and Advocate has come. The wind that drives the heavens-the wind that soars above and beyond us all, unifies us in God’s love. God’s awesome love is offered to you, even when you fear or are unsure of your faith. In the midst of our fears and doubts, the peace of the Holy Spirit will prevail. Know that God is with you every step of the way. Feel the caress of the Holy Spirit in the healing breath of hope.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

People: Across the barriers of language and culture, Christ message of love and grace are heard. God has done wondrous things for us.

Leader: Fill us with the power of the rushing wind that we may faithfully serve you in all that we do.

People: We have witnessed the Resurrection of our Lord, and we are now called to be people of the Pentecost.

Leader: Make us people who will proclaim the good news of Go because we are now called to boldly share the good news of God’s love.

People: We open our hearts to hear God’s word for us and to joyfully proclaim Jesus Christ as our Savior.

Leader: Come holy spirit ad pour your blessings upon us.

People: Let your wind of hope swirl around us, lifting and moving us to serve you more. Let us be prepared for service this day.

All: May God’s holy spirit inflame our hearts and stir us from complacency to energy and enthusiasm to serve God in this World. Amen

GATHERING SONG

“As a Fire is Meant for Burning ”

TFWS 2237

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(In Unison) God of wind and fire, just as you

called the disciples on the Day of Pentecost, embolden us this day to receive your power. Transform us through the power of your Holy Spirit.

Help us breathe deeply of the Breath of Life. Blow through our worship and change our lives forever. Help us to proclaim the wondrous things that you have done and continue to do in our lives. Give us strength and courage to share the Good News of your love and your presence in Jesus’ Name. AMEN

Time with God’s Children:

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

(Prayer request forms are available at the back of the sanctuary)

Pastoral Prayer:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE

“Spirit of the Living God”

UMH 393

GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Spirit of Gentleness”

Chancel Choir

DOXOLOGY

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 95

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGING

Heavenly Father, as we gather on this Pentecost Sunday, we are reminded of the transformative power of your Spirit, breathing life into our hearts and setting them on fire. Take our lives and transform them. Take our church and resurrect it with your life-giving Spirit. Take our gifts this day and use them for the fulfillment of your vision of peace and unity and in the missions of this Church, our Community and the World. In Christ name, we pray. Amen

SONG OF COMMITMENT: “My Hope is Built” UMH 368

Special Reading: (In Unison) Prayer for Illumination UMH 477

Canticle Reading: Canticle of Hope UMH 734

Affirmation of Faith: Affirmation from Romans UMH 887

GLORIA PATRI (*We use this ancient response to praise God for the Bible*) UMH 70

SCRIPTURE Luke 24: 51 Acts 1:13 Acts 2: 2 - 24

SHARING THE STORY “Life can Take your Breath Away” Pastor Joyce Royal

SENDING SONG “Spirit Song“ UMH 347

THE SENDING FORTH

May the power of the Holy Spirit transform you with the healing fire that unifies the world. Go forth as Pentecost people, filled with the spirit of God. Go forth knowing that Jesus Christ, the resurrected One, offers you peace that never dies. The Holy Spirit is setting your hearts on fire—right here, right now. Go in peace, and be transformed, that you may change the world. Amen.

Lectionary Reader: Penna Smith

MUSICAL POSTLUDE “Many Gifts, One Spirit” Mavis Baldwin UMH

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Prayer List: Carol Johnson, Steve Miles, Linda Sammons, Kevin Quaresino, Linda Howland, Dave Winnie, Family of Art Schrum, Portia Robles, Alison Clun, Sue Tyler’s Niece Emma, Family of

Andrea Russell, Prayers for her daughter Zoey and Matt Brezofsky, Ivy Patterson, Linda Sammons, Calae Bonfey, Mary Hayes, Prayers for our World.

If you have a joy or a prayer request, please call Carol Johnson at 518-921-9902***

Welcome to Worship

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We Gather to Worship

We Scatter to Serve

PENTECOST SUNDAY

