

OUR CHURCH FAMILY AT WORSHIP

The Day of Pentecost

May 28 , 2023

11:00 A.M.

TIME OF GATHERING: Read through Announcements, Pray over Concerns, Meditate on Celebrations and the wonder and grace of God, and Thanksgiving to God....

Please sign the red pads and pass it onto the next person in your pew.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

Wayne L. Wold

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: The Day of Pentecost is here! God's children have gathered in this place:

People: We are transformed into God's family as God's Spirit joins with ours.

Liturgist: Come, Spirit of adoption, and open our hearts to our sisters and brothers:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Liturgist: Come, Spirit of peace, and calm our trembling hearts:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Liturgist: Come, Breath of God, and overturn our conventional lives:

All: Come, Holy Spirit!

*HYMN

O Spirit of the Living God

No. 539

OPENING PRAYER (seated)

Liturgist: The Holy Spirit embodies the life force of the universe, the power of God, the animating energy present in all things and captured by none. On this great feast of Pentecost, the coming of the Spirit of God, I invite you to pray with me:

All: May the Gifts of the Holy Spirit bring fire to the earth so that the presence of God may be seen in a new light, in new places, in new ways. May our own hearts burst into flame so that no obstacle, no matter how great, ever obstructs the message of the God within each of us. May we come to trust the Word of God in our heart, to speak it with courage, to follow it faithfully and to fan it to flame in others. Give me, Great God, a sense of the Breath of Spirit within me. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 2:1-12a

Liturgist: The Word of God for God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSE

Thy Word Is a Lamp

No. 601 refrain only

**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH FOR PENTECOST

By: John R. Killinger , *"Lost in Wonder, Love and Praise"*

Unison:

We believe in God, who created the world, summoned the nation of Israel, sent prophets among the people, and gave the Divine Son to die for our sins.

We believe that God sent the Divine Spirit upon the church at Pentecost, causing those who were present to enter a new style of personal relationships and a new way of living in the world.

We believe in the importance of remembering these things, that we too may live in daily awareness of Whose we are and to what ends we move.

We believe that when we recall the works of God in other times we are helped to serve God in our own time.

We believe that when we remember Christ, He lives among us today, healing our brokenness, calling us to discipleship, and leading us to victory in the world.

We believe that remembering the past is the best guarantee of a meaningful present and a joyful future. Therefore we dare to say today "We remember," and to commit ourselves once more to the God who gives us the only life that is really worth remembering, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM

A Mighty Wind Blows Over the Land

Beall/Carter

SECOND READING

John 7:37-39; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

MESSAGE

"Let it Flow"

Pastor Janet Sattel

*HYMN

Spirit Song

No. 347

AN INVITATION TO PRAY

+Prayer of Confession (unison)

Unison: **Spirit of God, as you descended on the apostles on Pentecost so many years ago, we know you are still filling us today, with your fire and water and your gifts. We acknowledge that we so often want to keep all this to ourselves, to hold onto it all. Forgive us when we fail to let your gifts flow out to others. When we do not share, they dry up inside of us, then we fail to be a blessing to others. Help us, Father, to share your gifts with others. Amen.**

+Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

+Sung Response

He Is Lord

No. 177

**He is Lord, He is Lord, He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

Robert Lau

*Congregational Response

All Creatures of Our God and King

No. 62 vs 7

**Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness,
O praise ye! Alleluia!**

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in one!

O praise ye! O praise ye! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*HYMN

Wind Who Makes That Blow

No. 538 (tune: 479)

*BENEDICTION

Pastor: As you go forth from this place, may the wind of the Spirit startle your senses and blow through your life; may the fire of the Spirit scorch your complacency and light your way. And may the blessing of the Holy One-Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer-rest with you now and forever more.

All: **Amen.**

*SUNG RESPONSE

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim.

God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.

*POSTLUDE

Fugue in C Major

George Frideric Handel

*All stand if possible +All kneel or sit to pray



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**Church of the
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"connecting to broken and hurting people"

Reverend Janet Sadel, Lead Pastor

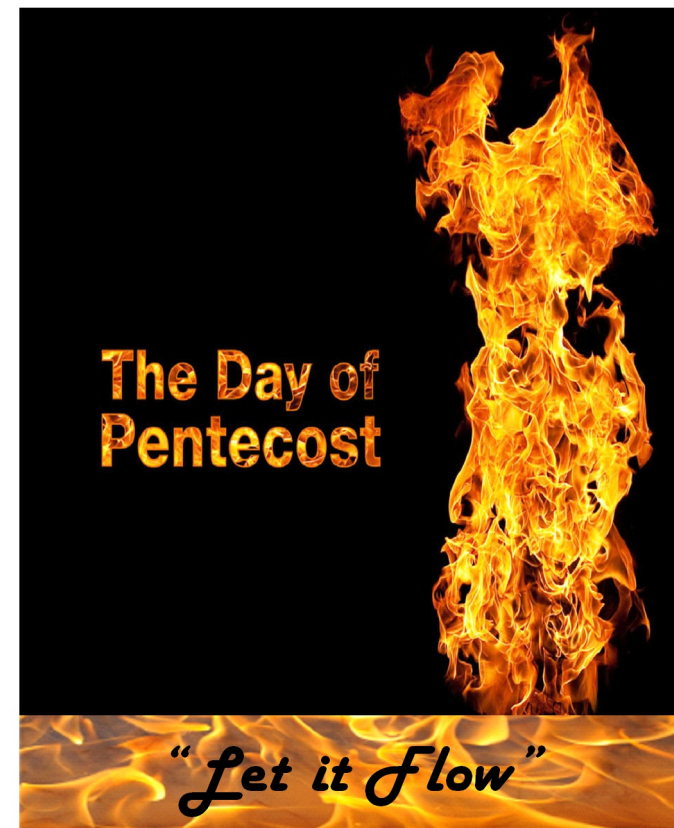
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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Celebration of Faith



May 28, 2023

Day of Pentecost

11:00 A.M.

1500 Quentin Road / Lebanon, PA 17042

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We thank all those who helped with the service this morning.
Liturgist: Bruce Conrad

Calendar for Week of 5/28/2023

Sermon Outline:

PENTECOST SUNDAY

“Let it Flow” – Pastor Janet Sattel

Acts 2:1-12a; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13; John 7:37-39

Today is Pentecost Sunday, the day we recognize as the birthday of the church.

The Holy Spirit is now active in the life of every person on this earth, calling us, drawing us, wooing us into a relationship with God. This is what John Wesley called, Prevenient Grace: the grace that goes before and prepares us for a relationship with God.

All throughout our lives the Holy Spirit is at work, continuing the process of making us holy: guiding us, leading us, changing us, renewing us, forming us and transforming us into the people of God, who are every day being made more and more like Christ.

The Holy Spirit is given to us so that we can benefit the body of Christ - the gift of the Holy Spirit isn't something we keep to ourselves. If we come to Jesus and drink of him, then the Holy Spirit will flow out of our hearts.

When we use our gifts for God and for the church, we let the waters flow into us, refreshing our soul and then it flows out into the world, bringing life to others.

Because of Pentecost, every one of us has gifts and graces that can be used for ministry in this church and in this world. God has a plan for each and every person in this church. Every one of you is needed and important - but it is up to each person to decide whether or not to use these gifts to serve God.

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Mission Statement for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We are committed to:

- ▶ Connecting persons to Jesus Christ
- ▶ Connecting with broken and hurting people
- ▶ Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ
- ▶ Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry

SUNDAY

8:30 / 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]

9:45 - Sunday School

11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]

11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]

4:00 - CR Step Study [Lounge/Choir rm]

Youth Grades 6-12 please see Youth Page in the Announcements

MONDAY Memorial Day

OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY

10:00 - Staff meeting

7:00 - Learn & Discern [Lounge]

WEDNESDAY

8:30-11:30 - MLLC [rms 200/202]

7:00 - Celebrate Recovery

7:00 - Traditional Choir Rehearsal [Sanctuary]

THURSDAY JUNE 1st

5:00 - Contemporary Design Team

5:30 - Traditional Design Team

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal

SUNDAY Bar-b-que chicken

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