

McLeod Memorial Presbyterian Church

Pentecost Sunday

May 31, 2020

There is no fear the Holy Spirit cannot overcome. There is no door the Spirit of grace cannot breach. This is good news indeed. Acts 2

Introit

"Spirit, Come Down"

Call to worship (based on Acts 2, Ps 104, Roman 8))

Call upon God's holy name. For in calling we are saved. Listen for the wind of the Holy Spirit. For in listening, we find new life. Respond to the promises of Christ. For in responding, we bring hope to our world.

Prayer of confession (based on Acts 2, Ps 104, 1 Cor 12, John 7)

Our Gracious Lord, we long to be set free from our fears and to be released from sins which bind us. We yearn to draw near to the Holy Spirit and to experience the power of Pentecost in our faith! Holy Spirit come to us, cleanse, and heal us once more, that we may embrace your gifts in service to the world in need. Amen.

Opening Hymn

#441

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

Assurance of pardon (based on John 14)

When God breathes the Holy Spirit into our lives, our souls are renewed. When God blesses us with gifts of this same Spirit so as to bring renewal and to be made alive! Rejoice, sisters and brothers, God's steadfast love endures forever.

Gloria Patri

"Glory Be to the Father"

Scripture reading

Acts : 1-12

Sermon

Rev. Anthony Gilbert
"A Heavenly Blessing"

Affirmation of faith (The Apostles' Creed -Traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Closing Hymn

#326


"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

Charge and benediction (based on Acts 2, Ps 104)

With rushing wind and holy fire, go forth in the power of the living God. With tongues of flame and hope rekindled, go forth in the power of the eternal Christ. With visions birthed and dreams restored, go forth in the power of the Holy Spirit. With spacious grace and depth untold, go forth in the mystery of the Holy One.

Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"



Introit: Spirit, Come Down

Music & Words by Janet Vogt and Mark Friedman

Opening Hymn #441: "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

Words: Timothy Dwight, 1800

Music: The Universal Psalmist, 1763; Adapt. Aaron Williams, 1770

Closing Hymn #326: "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart:

Words: George Croly, 1854

Music: Frederick Cook Atkinson, 1870

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Condolences to Ray & Gerty Thompson and the Harrison family. Ray's great nephew, Chris Harrison, passed away on May 27th. He leaves behind his wife Shirlena, children, and Jimmy and Joy Harrison, his father and mother.

*Armored Youth Ministries will be planning on physically meeting over the summer for an outdoor water themed cook out gathering. Date to be announced soon!

*If you would like to send a Graduation card to our two graduates here are their home addresses:

Daniel Gaviola: 564 Berkley Pointe Drive; Auburndale, FL 33823

Brianne Pueschell (Nursery): 1520 South Coolidge Avenue; Bartow, FL 33930