

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Pentecost Sunday
Pastor, Rev. Dr. Darryl Goldman
Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

May 20, 2018
Elder Stu Strong, Liturgist
Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" Dr. Gilbreath

Pastor's Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: With tongues of flame, the Holy Spirit descends to burn in our hearts anew.

People: *Unite us, Holy Spirit!*

Leader: Like the rush of wind, we sense God's presence blowing afresh throughout the world.

People: *Unite us, Holy Spirit!*

Leader: Across the barriers of language and culture, Christ's message of love and grace is heard.

People: *Unite us, Holy Spirit!*

Leader: Divine Advocate, we seek your guidance as we search for the Spirit of Truth.

People: *Unite us, Holy Spirit! Amen.*

Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn "On Pentecost They Gathered" #289
Please pass your prayer cards to the aisle for pickup.

Call to Confession (Romans 8, Acts 2)

Prayer of Confession

Heavenly Father, you dwell within us in sighs too deep for words, yet we cannot hear you. Caring God, you wrap us tenderly in fierce love, you give us the breath of life, yet we cannot touch you. We yearn for your presence, we seek your abundant grace, yet we cannot feel it. You prepare to sear our souls for your purpose, yet we allow our somber selves to intrude, shutting our minds to your power. Remind us, we pray, that we need only trust in the giver of life to find the hope and faith you have promised. Gather us up in the winds of your favor and carry us to even greater heights, through Christ who loves us still. Amen. (We confess our sins in silence...)

Hymn "Spirit of the Living God" #288

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: *And also with you.* (Please share the peace of Christ with those near you.)

*Gloria Patri #581

Anthem "O Breath of Life" Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Romans 8:22-27 Elder Strong

Youth Message Elder Wyle

Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-21 Rev. Goldman

Message "Light My Fire!" Rev. Goldman

*Hymn "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" #286

*Let us declare our faith with the Apostles' Creed

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.

Prayers of the People/the Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Offertory "Breathe on Me" Dr. Gilbreath
*Doxology #606
*Prayer

*Hymn "Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us" #280

*Charge

Benediction "God to the World!" (#295 V. 1) Choir

Postlude "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" Dr. Gilbreath

*All that are able are invited to stand.

Bold italic type indicates our shared response.
All hymns are from the Glory to God (purple) hymnal.

To Our Visitors & Guests:

Welcome! It is a blessing to have you in worship with us today! We invite you to consider membership in St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. The pastor and elders will be available following the service to answer any questions you may have. If you are a first-time visitor, we would like to take you to lunch, so don't run out on us. ***There is a place for you here. We are delighted to have you with us today!***

St. Andrew Elders & Ministry Teams 2018 **Chairperson**

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| Clerk of Session | Stu Strong |
| Worship | Linda Webster & Linda Grissom |
| Member Care | B. J. Breeding |
| Education & Spiritual Formation..... | John Jordan & Teresa Culbert |
| Mission | Greg Vogel |
| Communications & Outreach | Harold Culbert & Ceil Hydrick |

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| Administration, Finance & Property | Stu Strong, Turner Matthews & Ed Wyle |
| Personnel & Planning..... | Ed Wyle |
| Building/Grounds..... | Stu Strong |
| Finance & Stewardship | Turner Matthews & Tommy Gates |
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Scripture Reading, Stu Strong: Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise, the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Scripture Reading, Rev. Goldman: Acts 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.’