

POTWIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Topeka, Kansas

Sunday May 19, 2024

Pentecost Sunday

Liturgical color: red

PRELUDE

CHIMES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One: Come! Let us speak plainly and boldly of our faith.

**Many: The Spirit of God descends upon us,
and Christ's promise to us is fulfilled.**

*One: The expression of the Spirit's power
in our community is a wonder to behold.*

**Many: We each have a different voice,
yet we witness God's joy together! Amen.**

***INVOCATION/OPENING PRAYER (Unison)**

How can this be, wonder-working God?

You bring the gift of the Spirit to be with us.

Our Comforter, our Advocate.

Our Counselor, our Wisdom.

**These are but a few of the names we give
as the Spirit speaks to our hearts.**

We give you thanks

for the unending gifts of the Spirit.

How can this be,

that we have what we need when we need it?

**You, O God, are one and all things to us,
and we raise our Hallelujahs. Amen.**

***OPENING HYMN: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"**

(#316 Blue Hymnal)

Praise, Prayers, and Petitions

SILENT PRAYERS OF PERSONAL CONFESSION:

CORPORATE PRAYERS OF CONFESSION: (Unison)

O God, as your Spirit filled the church
on the first Pentecost day,
so fill this house of worship with your presence,
and fill us with your passion.
You are doing a new thing, actively moving in the world.
Forgive us when we act as if your stories have all been written.
You hear the prayers of every language
and call us to hear each other.
Forgive us when we act as if your Spirit
only spoke our native tongue.
Wash us in your grace, O God,
and illumine us with your fire.
Send us out to follow your spirit
and teach us to hear the prayers of all your people.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Leader: As God has forgiven us so let us forgive one another. The Peace of Christ be with you!

Unison: And also with you!

Leader: Please share the love and peace of Christ with each other as you feel comfortable.

PASSING OF THE PEACE:

HYMN: "Lord, Make Us More Holy" (#536 Blue Hymnal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(pg 16 in the Hymnal, Traditional version)

***Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri) #577**

The Word:

PASTORAL PRAYER

Illumination (Sung x2)

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ezekiel 37:1-14

NEW TESTAMENT READING: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

MESSAGE: "The Advocate"

Libby Adams

Response to the Word

STATEMENT OF FAITH: The Apostle's Creed, Traditional, pg 14 Blue Hymnal

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.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY:

Gwen Jones

DOXOLOGY:

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” (#592 Blue Hymnal)

***OFFERING RESPONSE: Blessed be God forever.**

***CLOSING HYMN: “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”** (# 379 Blue Hymnal)

***BLESSING AND CHARGE**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me

Let there be peace on earth

The peace that was meant to be

With God as our Father

Siblings all are we

Let us walk with each other

In perfect harmony

Let peace begin with me

Let this be the moment now

With every step I take

Let this be my solemn vow

To take each moment and live

Each moment in peace eternally

Let there be peace on earth

And let it begin with me