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Welcome & Announcements

Welcome from the Pastor

Prelude Jo Murry

*Call to Worship

Russ Mathis

On the day of Pentecost, there suddenly came from heaven a sound like the rush of a mighty wind. Tongues of fire rested upon the apostles, and all of them were filled with the Holy Spirit.

Jesus did not leave his disciples helpless and confused, directionless and sorrowing, but sent the advocate, the Holy Spirit, to inspire them with purpose and power.

The same Spirit of Christ is among us here to witness and intercede, to comfort and counsel, to enliven and empower.

Let us call upon this holy helper and worship God with hopeful hearts.

*Opening Prayer

God our creator, earth has many languages, but your gospel proclaims your love to all nations in one heavenly tongue. Make us messengers of the good news that, through the power of your Spirit, all the world may unite in one song of praise; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Opening Song of Praise #305 "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

Call to Confession

Carleton Philbrick

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Hear us now as we silently confess the sins of our daily lives...

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe and proclaim the wonderful news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #581

*Sharing the "Peace of Christ"

Prayer for Illumination

God of power and grace, fill us with the wisdom of your word and the understanding of your Spirit so that we may be your church: a people with dreams and visions at work in all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Reading Carleton Philbrick Numbers 11:24-30 So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!" And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Second Scripture Reading Joel 2:25-29

Carleton Philbrick

I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Third Scripture Reading Acts 2-:1-13

Pastor Carl

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."

The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

"Moved By The Spirit"

Pastor Carl

*Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women, men, and people to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" Amen.

*Song of Affirmation

#286

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Prayers of the People & 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Stewardship Moment

Offering/Offertory "Pentecost Medley"

Tamara Boggs, Soloist Jo Murry, Pianist

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication

*Song of Dedication #408 "There's A Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Charge & Benediction

Postlude

Assisting in Worship:
Pastor Carl McCormick
Carleton Philbrick, as Liturgist
Cindy Witherspoon-Allen, as Greeter
Barbara Biedenharn, as Usher
Tamara Boggs, Soloist
Jo Murry, as Musician

SESSION MEMBERS

Share with Session Elders your questions, concerns, and ideas; your thoughts are valuable to our leadership. Next Meeting is May 21st, at 1pm, after church family luncheon

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PENTECOST SUNDAY—WEAR RED!
Sunday, May 28—9:45am—Fellowship Class
11am—Worship Service
Pastor Carl McCormack
1:30pm—Christian Education Meeting

Monday, May 29—Memorial Day Arkansas Scottish Dance Society will not meet.

Monday, May 27—June 3 Steen Hall Reserved—Church Rummage Sale

> Saturday, June 3 8am—2pm Church Rummage Sale

Trinity Sunday/Communion Sunday
June 4, 2023
9:45am—Fellowship Class
11am—Worship Service
Pastor Carl McCormack

PRAYER NOTES—

Recent Prayers For Members Of The Church: Margie Burton, Rochelle Greenwood, Ginny Jones, LaVonne Smith

Continued Prayers For Members Of The Church: Patt Bond, Pat Clark, Donna Ellis, Bill Jones, Jesse Macon-Teague, Ann McCollum, Jack McCollum, Sandy Philbrick, Wendell Phillips,

Prayers For Friends Of The Church: Charles Clark & Darnell Clark,

Constance Hughes, Stephanie Phillips, Courtney Phaup, Elizabeth Pollard, Paula Shackelford (Friend of Sandy Philbrick), Norma Smith,

Prayers For Those In Home Confinement: John Atterbury, Ann Cother, Bunn Falls (Johnson County Health & Rehab), Clarksville, LeMoyne Jones (AR State Veterans Home), Steve Pollard (VA Home), David Rennie, Ann Woods.

Prayers For Those In Grief: For the family of Kathy Sudduth Adams (From Karene).

^{*}Please contact the church office if you need someone placed on or taken off the prayer notes. Thank you.