

First Church at Worship

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Come Christians Join to Sing
Like a River Glorious*
Asbury Ringers

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* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE GREETING

The Spirit descends like a dove,
bringing peace to unite the world in a just and caring community.

The Spirit comes like a breath, bringing life to renew God's people.

The Spirit spreads like fire with energy, witnessing to the love of God.

Spirit of the living God, come and transform our lives by your power.

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 679

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright
vs. 1-2, & 4

Wareham

O splendor of God's glory bright,
O thou that bringest light from light;
O Light of light, light's living spring,
O day, all days illumining.

O thou true Sun, on us thy glance
let fall in royal radiance;
the Spirit's sanctifying beam
upon our earthly senses stream.

To guide whate'er we nobly do,
with love all envy to subdue;
to make ill fortune turn to fair,
and give us grace our wrongs to bear.

* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

~ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷"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.

¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

This is the word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALTER

Psalms 104

Martyrdom

**Your works, O Lord, are manifold
And wisely made and well;
You filled the earth with forms of life,
More than our lips can tell.**

**These look to you and you provide,
They gather what you give;
You open wide your hand with good
To fill all things that live.**

**You send your Spirit forth and so
Create and give new birth;
May all your glory long endure;
Rejoice, Lord, in your earth.**

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:22-27

²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and 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. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise 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. ²⁷And 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.

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ANTHEM

I Will Sing with the Spirit

John Rutter

* GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Refrain

Spirit Song

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.

* THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

[Jesus said,] ²⁶"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

^{16:4b-c}"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

^{12-c}"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

GOSPEL RESPONSE

Refrain:

Spirit Song

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Mr. Josh

SERMON

Rev. Kyle Randle

~ WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL ~

CONFIRMATION AND RECEPTION INTO MEMBERSHIP IN THE CHURCH *see insert*

* PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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 trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

* HYMN OF SENDING No. 404

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Pentecost

Refrain:

Every time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.

Yes, every time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.

Upon the mountain, my Lord spoke,
out his mouth came fire and smoke.

All around me looks so shine,

ask my Lord if all was mine. *Refrain*

Jordan river runs right cold,

chills the body, not the soul.

Ain't but one train on this track,

runs to heaven and right back. *Refrain*

* BENEDICTION

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY G.F. Handel
Gavotte (from Organ Concerto No. 3)

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and
in honor of the 2021 Confirmands.
Congratulations!

Serving This Sunday, May 23

Acolytes and Crucifer: Chad Steinfield, Griffin Yenicek
Health Team: Allison Daly (Team Captain), Matt Daly, Meredith Canady,
Ashlee Case, Dianne Goldfinch, Freda Jones

Serving Next Sunday, May 30

Acolytes and Crucifer: Ann Kate Nelson, Nolan Tietje
Health Team: Melinda Hyman (Team Captain), Helen and Bill Schreiber,
Danny and Dawn Clonts, Rich May,

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This Week at FUMC

Sunday, May 23

8:15 a.m. Early Morning Worship / Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class/ Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
9:30 a.m. Methodism Study / Family Life Center Room 101
9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School / Education Wing
9:30 a.m. Journey Seekers Sunday School / 5th Ave. Parking Lot
9:30 a.m. Emma Thompson Sunday School / Room 216
9:30 a.m. Women at the Well Class / Room 221
9:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School / FLC Room 103
9:30 a.m. Online Sunday School / Live on Facebook
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary & Online
5:30 p.m. UMYF and Bridge / FLC

Monday, May 24

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
5:00 p.m. Conway Cotillion / Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts Meeting / FLC Room 104

Tuesday, May 25

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
6:00 p.m. CA Group / FLC Room 102
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Meeting / FLC
6:50 p.m. Quintet Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
8:00 p.m. Al Anon Meeting / FLC Room 101
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting / FLC Room 102

Wednesday, May 26

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Children's Activities / FLC
3:30 p.m. Chime Choir Rehearsal / Upstairs Commons
4:00 p.m. 7th & 8th Grade Hang-out / FLC Room 103
4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class / FLC Room 104
4:15 p.m. Asbury Ringers Rehearsal / Upstairs Commons
6:30 p.m. Evening Communion / Portico

Thursday, May 27

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
4:30 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
5:00 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts Meeting / FLC Room 104

Friday, May 28

7:00 a.m. Youth Breakfast / FLC
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
11:00 a.m. Preschool Graduation / Sanctuary
6:30 p.m. CA Group / Family Life Center

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He Qi (Chinese, 1950–), *Holy Spirit Coming*, 1998. Oil on canvas. Greyscale

Pentecost

May 23rd, 2021
10:30 a.m.



Welcome to First United Methodist Church

Out of a broken and sinful world, all people are welcomed into the body of Jesus Christ at First Church. As children of God, together we join in worship to experience the transforming love of our Savior.

We are here this morning to worship God. Through our songs, words of praise, prayers and scripture reading, we give honor and glory to God. Wondrous things happen as we worship. Lives are changed. The presence of God brings hope, comfort, healing, and joy. Let us worship in gladness. Jesus, the Lord of Life is with us.