

# Christ Church United Methodist

May 31, 2020

Day of Pentecost

## Order of Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Leanne Hadley

PRELUDE

*Rejoicing*

Paul Halley

Daniel Light, piano      Lynda Payne, organ

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Holy Spirit is fire that cannot be contained.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, and transform us!**

Leader: The Holy Spirit is wind that cannot be controlled.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, that breathes into us new life!**

Leader: In the midst of division

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, and unite us!**

Leader: In the midst of evil and injustice

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, and order our steps in the way of justice and peace!**

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, come! Empower us to be witnesses of your love and grace.**

### HYMN OF PRAISE

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

Hymn 384

Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down;  
fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

HYFRYDOL

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in thee inherit; let us find that second rest.  
Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return and never, nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be.  
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee;  
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is,  
there is the one true church, apostolic and universal,  
whose holy faith let us now declare:

People: We believe in God the Father,  
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,  
whose mercy is over all his works,  
and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.  
We believe in Jesus Christ,  
Son of God and Son of man,  
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,  
the ground of our hope,  
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit  
as the divine presence in our lives,  
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance  
of the truth of Christ,  
and find strength and help in time of need.  
We believe that this faith should manifest itself  
in the service of love  
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,  
to the end  
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Rejoice, the Lord is King*

Hymn 715

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;  
mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.  
lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Dr. Leanne Hadley

CALL TO PRAYER

*They'll Know We are Christians*

Peter Scholtes

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,  
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:  
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,  
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

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PASTORAL PRAYER

Jennie Weeks

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.

OFFERING

OFFERING OF MUSIC

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*  
Michael Bolden, soloist

traditional

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;  
praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

## SCRIPTURE

*Acts 2:1-13*

The Duncan Family

## SERMON

A Life of Fire

Dr. Daniel Blosser

## INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

## CLOSING HYMN

*God of Grace and God of Glory*

Hymn 529, stanzas 1, 2, 4

God of grace and God of glory, on the people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story, bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
Fears and doubts too long have bound us; free our hearts to work and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;  
let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

## AN ORDER OF FAREWELL TO JENNIE WEEKS IN HONOR OF HER FORTY-ONE YEARS OF SERVICE

Pastor: The church is a family.

United by the common recognition of Jesus Christ as our Savior,  
we are all brothers and sisters.  
And, for a time, Christ Church United Methodist is our home.

Like every human family,  
our church family is formed and reformed over time:  
as members are born, as they die,  
as members are adopted into our family,  
and as they leave our congregation for a new home, in a different place.

For a time, Jennie Weeks has lived with us.  
We have shared with each other good times and bad,  
we have shared each other's joys and sorrows,  
we have lightened each other's heavy loads.  
Together we have laughed and cried,  
together we have worshiped and praised God,  
together we have lived.

People: We feel sorrow in your leaving,  
yet we rejoice with you in anticipation of this new phase of your life.  
We will miss your love and support,  
yet we know you will add much to the lives  
of those who will be your new church family,  
as you have added much to our lives.

**All: We will pray for you and for the whole family of God.**

Pastor: Let us pray:

O God, you are the strength and the protector of your people.  
We humbly place in your hands Jennie Weeks,  
who is about to leave us.  
Keep and preserve her, O Lord,  
in all health and safety, both of body and soul;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ. Our prayers go with you. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

Dr. Daniel Blosser

POSTLUDE

*Fanfare*  
Lynda Payne, organ

Jacques Lemmens