CATONSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

Day of Pentecost

May 31, 2020

Prelude: "All Creatures of Our God and King" Molly Ijames

Call to Worship

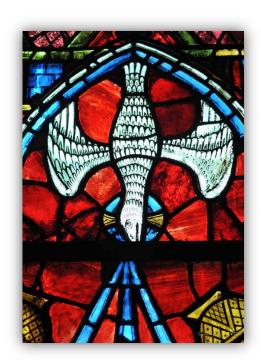
Remember the promise of the Lord:

God will pour out the Spirit on all flesh.

The Spirit helps us in our weakness,
interceding in sighs too deep for words.

The Spirit of God renews the earth.
Bless the name of the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.
Come, Creator Spirit! Come!



Hymn 278 – See page 6.

"Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire"

VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS

Opening Prayer

Saving One, we pray for your presence and your blessing on your church today, scattered and apart, yet united in the power of love.

Praise and glory to you, creator Spirit of God; you make our bread the communion of Christ's body to heal and reconcile and to make us the body of Christ. You make our wine the communion of Christ's saving blood to redeem the world. You come like the wind, unseen, unbidden. Like the dawn you illumine the world around us. You grant us new beginnings. New life. New purpose. New direction. Assure us, comfort us in the living of these days. Give us courage and strength and hope. Be with us, Holy Spirit. In all we say or think, in all we do, today, tomorrow, always. Amen.

Life in Community

The peace and joy of the Lord be with you and yours today. Thank you for joining us for worship on this Pentecost Sunday. Other announcements....

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination - See page 7: Hymn 287, Verses 1 & 2

"Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading"

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Scripture Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Message Between Faith and Fear

Offering

God sends the Holy Spirit, gifting us with the ability to serve in a myriad of ways. We are given the gift of faith that enables us to live in hope, love radically and share generously. Let us worship God with our offering.

While we can't take a collection in the sanctuary this morning, we can still remember all that God has given and gives us and offer our thanks.

There are ways you can give online through our website — and here I'm talking specifically to CPC members and friends.

If you're not a member or friend of the CPC community, please consider giving to a faith community where you live, a neighborhood church that could use your support at this time.

In a time of silence now, we invite you to take a moment to offer thanks for God's gifts to you this week: time, talent, money, family, friends, life itself.

And ask yourself: where is the Spirit leading me this week to share my gifts through the work of the church and the love of neighbor?

Musical Offering: "Come, Thou Fount"

Molly Ijames

Let us pray: Gracious God, your Spirit rests upon us. You grant us your vision and make your dreams our own. You work your grace in us and through us in the world. We offer our gifts as signs of our trust and symbols of our gratitude. Bless them and use them. Bless us and use us. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer

The Spirit of God be with you all. *And also with you.*Lift up your hearts. *We lift them to God.*Give thanks to our God!
All our thanks, all our praise!
Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!

Before all that is, you were God. Outside all we know, you are God. After all is finished, you will be God. Archangels sound the trumpet, angels teach us their song, saints pull us into your presence. And this is our song:

You are holy, you are whole,
You are always ever more than we ever understand.
You are always at hand.
Blessed are you coming near.
Blessed are you coming here
to your church in wine and bread,
raised from soil, raise form dead.
You are holy, you are wholeness;
you are present.
Let the cosmos praise you, Lord!
Sing hosanna in the highest!
(Hymn 596)

(Hymn 596 You Are Holy)

Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three!
You beyond the galaxies,
you under the oceans,
you inside the leaves,
you pouring down rain,
you opening flowers,
you feeding the insects,
you giving us your image,
you carrying us through the waters,
you holding us in the night,
your smile on Sarah and Abraham,
your hand with Moses and Miriam,
your words through Deborah and Isaiah,
you lived as Jesus among us, healing, teaching, dying, rising,
inviting us all to your feast.

Holy God, we remember your Son, his life with the humble, his death among the wretched, his resurrection for us all; your wisdom our guide, your justice our strength, your grace our path to rebirth.

And so we cry, Mercy: *Mercy!*And so we cry, Glory: *Glory!*And so we cry, Blessing: *Blessing!*

Holy God, we beg for your Spirit. Enliven this bread,

awake this body,
pour us out for each other.

Transfigure our minds,
ignite your church,
nourish the life of the earth.

Make us, while many, united,
Make us, though broken, whole
Make us, despite death, alive.

And so we cry, come, Holy Spirit: Come, Holy Spirit!

And so the church shouts, Come, Holy Spirit: Come, Holy Spirit!

You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three, our Life, our Mercy, our Might, our Table, our Food, our Server, our Rainbow, our Ark, our Dove, our Sovereign, our Water, our Wine, our Light, our Treasure, our Tree, our Way, our Truth, our Life, our Hope.

You, Holy God, Holy One, Holy Three! Praise now, praise tomorrow, praise forever. And hear us as we pray together:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

Breaking the Bread and Sharing the Cup

Anthem: "Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me" CPC Virtual Choir

arr. K. Lee Scott

Prayer of Gratitude

Gracious God, may we who have received this sacrament live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth your gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Peace

Hymn 295 - See page 8: "Go to the World!"

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Blessing & Charge

The Lord bless and keep you.
The Lord be kind and gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Postlude: "Die Freude" (The Joy) Georg Philipp Telemann

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Participants

- Dorothy Boulton, associate pastor
- Frank Gorecki, trumpet
- Douglas Heist, organ/piano
- Greg Knauf, soloist
- Kenneth E. Kovacs, pastor
- Reading Scripture: The Gunderson Family: Emma, Will, Eric, Erin, Callan, and Matt. Lola MacNeal. The Lockard/Dugan Family: Jen and Finley.
- Keith and Kathy Glennan, video production

Sources

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- *Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal* (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013).
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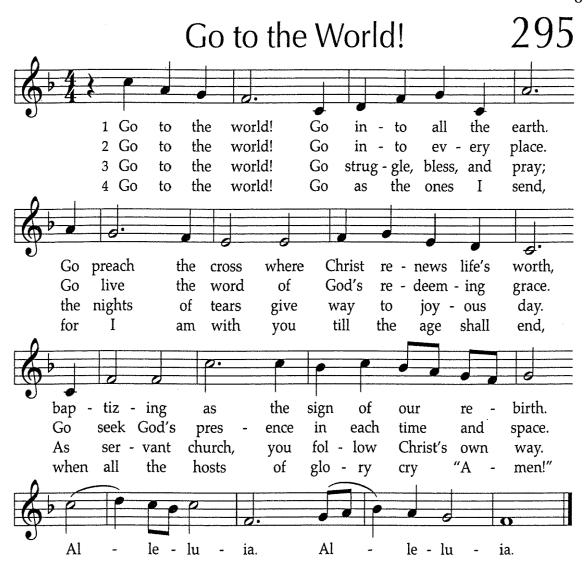
278 Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire



This text, originally written in Latin in the 9th century, has had long and active use, both for Pentecost and for ordinations (where it has appeared in Anglican prayer books since 1662). Though created for an older hymn, this plainchant tune has set this text from earliest days.



Originally written for the uniting of the Lutheran churches in Tanzania, this prayerful hymn touches on the need of the whole church at all times for the Holy Spirit's guidance and blessing. When appropriate, the refrain can effectively be used alone as a prayer response.



Based on Christ's great commission (Matthew 28:19–20), this text was written for a Convocation of Emmanuel College in Toronto, the largest theological school of the United Church of Canada, a denomination formed by the union of Methodists, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians.

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