

# Pentecost SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

MAY 28, 2023

10:30 A.M.

## PEACE BE WITH YOU

As pastors of Catonsville Presbyterian Church, we know that this is a community of love, care, and true welcome. We pray that you will experience our hospitality and our delight in your presence.

Not only do we welcome you and your family, but we seek to welcome the full range of experiences, identities, and feelings that you carry. Our life together is often marked by a desire to thoughtfully engage God's world and our own humanity. We're compelled by the reality that the Christian life is often full of doubt, fear, loneliness, shortfalls, and uncertainty, in the same way that it can be full of beauty, belonging, love, and hope.

Whoever you are today, whoever you have been, and whoever you have yet to be: you are welcome in this space. We hope to meet you this morning, and if not, we hope to say hello in the coming days. If you are interested in learning more about our ministry at Catonsville Presbyterian Church, consider opening your phone's camera and following the QR



code on this page. We'll send a short email with some ways to get connected this week and in the weeks to come.

Once again, welcome. You are a beloved child of God.

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#### WELCOME TO WORSHIP

#### ABOUT OUR CONGREGATION

We actively engage our intellects and our hearts in what we believe to be true: that God's peace, justice, and radical love are good news for every corner of our lives. We seek to be a place of freedom and liberation, where people of all ages and backgrounds deepen their connection to God and others while making a tangible difference in our Catonsville community and throughout the world.

Rooted in this faith, our congregation proudly affirms the gifts, callings, and Godgiven identities of LGBTQIA+ members, friends, and guests. God invites all of us to explore and discover the person God has created and known before all time.

#### **WORSHIP THIS SUMMER**

Beginning next week and through the end of August, worship will be held at 9:30 a.m. Services will move to the Fellowship Hall the following week, on May 11.

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

During the summer months from June through August, there are no formal ministries during worship to provide a respite for our staff and volunteers. However, there is a Kids' Corner in the Fellowship Hall that includes a blanketed area with toys and other activities for young children. You are welcome to contact our Associate Pastor, Dorothy Boulton (<a href="double-dboulton@catonsvillepres.org">dboulton@catonsvillepres.org</a>) for more information or to ask questions.

#### ACCESSIBILITY IN WORSHIP AND CHURCH LIFE

Disabilities have been part of God's people throughout time and space, and nearly all of us—whether young or old—will be disabled at some point throughout our lives. If there are particular accommodations that might improve accessibility and access to worship, programming, or participation in congregational life, please reach out to a pastor, deacon, or staff member.

"And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling.

For none can guess God's grace, till Love creates a place wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling."

Bianco da Siena (c. 1350-c. 1434), c. 1367; trans. Richard Frederick Littledale, 1867.

#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

Service for the Lord's Day

#### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

#### **PRELUDE**

Komm Heiliger Geist, Herr Gott, Franz Tunder

Franz Tunder's setting of *Komm Heiliger Gesit*, *Herr Gott* is wonderfully grand and expressive and has inspired many composers to write chorale preludes on this tune. The tune was first published in 1524 and has been especially utilized in the German Luterhan tradition for Pentecost. The composer, Franz Tunder, was the father-in-law to Dietrich Buxtehude. In those days, it was traditional for a young organist seeking a post to marry the incumbent organist's daughter.

Come, Holy Spirit, Lord God, fill with the goodness of your grace the heart, spirit, and mind of your believers, kindle in them your ardent love!

#### †CALL TO WORSHIP

(The congregation responds aloud with the bold text)

Remember the promise of the Lord:

God will pour out the Spirit on all flesh.

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

The Spirit of God renews the earth.

Bless the name of the Lord!

Come, let us worship God!

† HYMN # 280

"Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

PRAYER OF ADORATION

**CALL TO CONFESSION** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Please rise in body or in spirit

#### 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 deep desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent prayer of confession

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news!
Through Christ, God has poured out the Holy Spirit upon us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God!

<sup>†</sup> RESPONSE OF PRAISE: HYMN #582

"Glory To God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

#### <sup>†</sup> PASSING OF THE PEACE

#### LIFE IN COMMUNITY



Come in your faith, and in your doubt! If you are joining us for the first time, we invite you to share your information by scanning the QR code. We would love to connect.

Upcoming events and recent announcements are available in the back of the bulletin and on our website at <u>catonsvillepres.org</u>.

#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

#### 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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Corinthians 2:6-16

Pew Bible, page 167 of the New Testament

† HYMN # 282

"Come Down, O Love Divine"

**SERMON** 

"Searched By the Spirit"

#### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

#### **CALL TO OFFERING**

#### OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

We give out of abundance, whatever that may be. If you would like to contribute financially to Catonsville Presbyterian Church, scan the QR code or use the offering plates in the rear of the sanctuary.



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#### **OFFERTORY**

"God's Gonna Set This World on Fire," arr. Moses Hogan

God's gonna set dis worl on fiyer one of these days, Hallelujah.

I'm gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days, Hallelujah.

I'm gonna eat and never get hungry one of these days, Hallelujah.

I'm gonna drink and never get thirsty one of these days, Hallelujah.

God's gonna set dis worl on fiyer, Hallelujah, one of these days.

#### †DOXOLOGY #607

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

#### †PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Almighty God, we have opened our hands to you, and our hands have been filled with good things. Receive the gifts we bring in gratitude for your care for us, and help us to bless you with dedication of our lives; through Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### 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.

† HYMN

"Spirit, Come" (printed on next page)

# Spirit, Come



#### † BENEDICTION

#### **POSTLUDE**

Veni Creator Spiritus from Livre d'orgue, I. Plein Jeu. Nicolas de Grigny

Nicolas de Grigny (1671-1703) died young at the age of 32. But in his short life, he influenced his contemporaries as well as those to come. Bach admired his work so much that he copied it in its entirety. A *Plein Jeu* is simply the opening movement of a French Baroque mass setting and as was traditional among composers of that period, also designates the organist's registration or choice of sounds. A *plein jeu* denotes a full *plenum*, or full foundational organ sound up through mixtures. As with much music of this period, it was written to please the royal tastes of the French court.

#### **SOURCES**

Book of Common Worship (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2018)

Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013).

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Friday Food Collections**

The next collection will be this coming Friday, June 2 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., benefitting the Catonsville Emergency Assistance food pantry.

#### **Catonsville Family Pride**

Tickets are available to Catonsville Family Pride at tinyurl.com/21228-pride-tickets. From 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on June 10, there will be a variety of vendors, activities, community organizations, and concessions scattered across the church grounds. Be sure to stop by the table for open and affirming churches in Catonsville!

#### **Kindness Rock Painting**

Following the 9:30 a.m. service on June 4, head over to the pavilion for a Kindness Rock Painting activity. This is a craft for all ages that will center us for this upcoming summer season and bring us together through affirmation.

#### Summer Worship Schedule

Beginning on Sunday, June 4, through the end of August, worship will be held at 9:30 a.m. A week later, beginning on June 11, services will be held in the airconditioned Fellowship Hall.

# The Christian Education committee wants your feedback!

The Christian Education committee is holding conversations with parents on Tuesday, June 20 to solicit feedback on our ministries. How are we doing? What can we do better or differently? These conversations will be held on Zoom. Each group will have approximately thirty minutes to share feedback, and parents only need to stay for the applicable session(s).

- 7:00 p.m. Parents of middle/high school youth.
- 7:30 p.m. Parents of children from five years old through and including fifth grade
- 8:00 p.m. Parents of infants and children up to and including five years old

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Please rise in body or in spirit

#### GIVING UPDATE

We publish these numbers every week out of our gratitude for your financial giving. Thank you for your generosity towards our ministry and life together!

Actual income	. \$	330,874
Actual expense	. \$	- 301,757
Total	. \$	29,117
Per capita	. \$	1,660

### **EVENTS THIS WEEK**

The most accurate and up-to-date calendar is available on our website at <u>catonsvillepres.org/events</u>. Be sure to follow us on Instagram and Facebook for event updates, schedule changes, and corrections throughout the week.

Date	Event	Location/time	Contact
Mon.	Contemplative Prayer	Zoom, 7 p.m.	Brenda Logue naylogue@aol.com
Tues.	Needlework group	Zoom, 10:30 a.m.	Cindy Gunderson cinron.md@gmail.com
Wed.	Deacons' Meeting	Library/Zoom, 7 p.m.	Dorothy Boulton dboulton@catonsvillepres.org
Fri.	Food Collection	Frederick Rd., 4-6 p.m.	Jenny Hutton jenhutton2010@gmail.com

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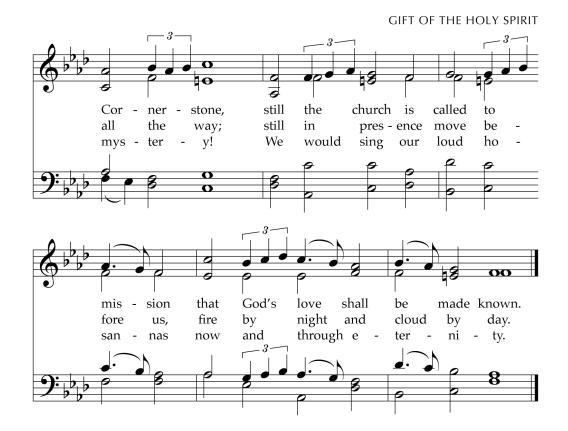
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Please note that today's service is streamed. The two cameras near the piano and organ console may occasionally capture images of the congregation as a whole.

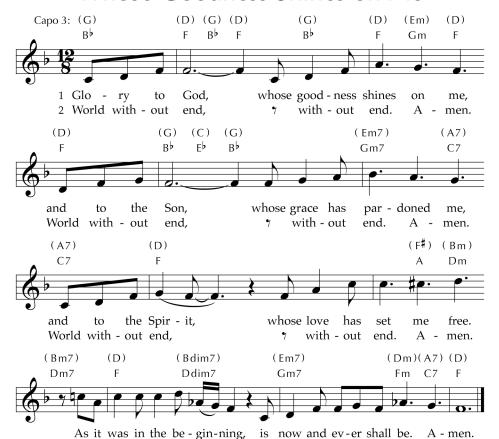


This 20th-century text was written by a Presbyterian layperson and poet, who in her later years became interested in writing hymns for the seasons of the church year and prepared a collection of them for her congregation. It pairs effectively with this sturdy Welsh tune.

## (Hymn #280, continued)



# Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me



# 282 Come Down, O Love Divine



This *lauda spirituale*, a kind of vernacular Italian sacred song from the late Middle Ages and Renaissance, was translated into English in the 19th century but received little notice until this tune (named for the composer's birthplace) was created for *The English Hymnal*.

# Spirit, Come



TEXT: Suzanne Moseman, 2017 MUSIC: Gustav Holst, 1918; harm. composite THAXTED 13.13.13.13.13.