



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Established 1851
Madison, Wisconsin*



Pentecost Banner, designed and produced by CPC Member Scott Wilson

**Day of Pentecost
May 23, 2021
10:00am Online Worship**

Welcome to Worship at Christ Presbyterian Church!

Physical distancing and public health measures were followed during worship recording.

We Gather in the Love of Christ

The Organ Prelude *Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness*
A Chorale Prelude based on Glory to God, Hymn No. 514

Johannes Brahms

Welcome and The Call to Worship

In the beginning, God created the heaven and the earth, and the earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep. ~ Genesis 1:1

Spirit of the Living God, visit us as on the day of Pentecost,
with speech that unites the babel of our tongues,

Come, Holy Spirit, dwell among us.

The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from, or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit. ~John 3:8

With rushing wind that sweeps away barriers, and with love that overlaps
the boundaries of race and nation,

Come, Holy Spirit, dwell among us.

"I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

~ Matthew 3:11

With tongues of fire that set our hearts aflame, and with power from above to make
our weakness strong,

Come, Holy Spirit, dwell among us!

Song of Praise *Holy Spirit*

Francesca Battistelli

The Prayer of Confession and Silent 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.**

Today is Pentecost - the “Birthday of the Church.”

Celebrated fifty days after
Easter Day, **Pentecost**
commemorates the descent
of the Holy
Spirit upon the Apostles and
other followers of Jesus
Christ, thus anointing them
to “be the church” in the
world.

Symbols of Pentecost

Wind, representing God’s
first breath of love (Ruach)
into all of creation.
The breath of the Holy Spirit
strengthens and challenges
God’s people on their faith
journey.

Fire, representing the Holy
Spirit, who filled the apostles
with enthusiasm,
replacing their fear with the
courage to go forth and
share Christ’s story.

The Color Red, representing
the dynamism of the Holy
Spirit and the zeal of those
who open their hearts to the
Spirit.

Water, representing the
commitment first made at
our baptism
and renewed throughout our
faith lives.

The Dove, representing
the Holy Spirit that
descended “like a dove” and
hovered over Jesus
when he was baptized.
symbol of peace.

The Assurance of Pardon

God of Pentecosts, we have received from you an inheritance of fire,
not of ashes. You have breathed your Spirit into us and we have been born
anew. And now our raised hands look for your purpose. Our feet look for
your path. We look to spend our inheritance as fools for your grace,
As fools in your grace, as fools by your grace. Amen.

Friends, believe in the good news of the Gospel,
and live in the fiery freedom of the Holy Spirit:

In Jesus Christ, we have been forgiven! Thanks be to God!

The Response of Praise *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God* Getty & Townend

Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Glory to God, No. 606

We Grow by Grace in the Spirit of God

News of the Church

A Reading from Scripture Acts 2:1-21

The Sermon *Living with the End in Mind: We Didn’t Start the Fire*
Rev. Dr. Jessica Patchett

Anthem *Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song* arr. John Ferguson
*The text of the hymn on which this anthem is based portrays how, where,
to whom, and why the Holy Spirit comes to us. The final stanza is concerned with
the purposes for which the Spirit is given. Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944) is the author.
Listen for the “flutter” of the dove’s wings heard in the organ!*

We Go Forth to Serve the Lord

The Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Sending Hymn *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation* Glory to God, No. 394

The Benediction

The Organ Postlude *Interlude from the “Water Music” Suite* G.F. Handel

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.



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Leading in Worship Today

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Jessica Patchett
Call to Worship: Rev. Sharol Hayner, Johanna Weinholts and Jeremy Dijkema,
The Mayefske Family, Bob and Stephanie Bolle
Liturgists, Derek Handley, Angie Dickens
Scripture Reader: Carter Baldwin
Prayers of the People: Barry Sherbeck
Organist: John Rafoth
Pianist: Natalie Handley
Assisting Musicians:
John Bohman, Angie Dickens, Amalia Goldberg, Derek Handley,
Kirstin Roble, Jiabao Zhang
Audio-Visual Production: Bryan Yates and Team

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Why read the Lectionary?

The daily Lectionary readings expand the range of biblical reading in worship and personal devotion by providing daily scripture citations for home reading.

Monday, May 24, 2021: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Joel 2:18-29; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Tuesday, May 25, 2021: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Genesis 11:1-9; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Wednesday, May 26, 2021: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Ezekiel 37:1-14; John 20:19-23

Thursday, May 27, 2021: Psalm 29; Isaiah 1:1-4, 16-20; Romans 8:1-8

Friday, May 28, 2021: Psalm 29; Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 8:9-11

Saturday, May 29, 2021: Psalm 29; Isaiah 5:15-24; John 15:18-20, 26-27

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Receiving the Wednesday email and monthly Tidings newsletter,

CPC Church activities

Activities for Children and Youth

Getting involved—even during a pandemic