

Covenant Congregational Church

Pentecost Sunday

Service of Worship June 4, 2017 10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE *Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove* Smith

CHORAL INTROIT *Lord, You Are Here* Stromberg
Judy Buck, soloist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Jason O. Mohn

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God of wind and fire,

When you send your Spirit, we are created anew.

God of mighty oceans and still waters,

When we receive your baptism, we are born anew.

God of bread and wine,

When we eat at your table, we are nourished anew.

So pour out your Spirit

Let sacred waters flow

Fill us with holy food.

May our hearts and our hands be open wide to receive Your gifts of life.

*HYMN *Come, Spirit, Come* Hymn #514

*UNISON PRAYER OF INVOCATION

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 the people of God.

The Spirit spreads like fire,

bringing energy for witnessing to the love of God.

Spirit of the living God,

come to us and transform our lives by Your power. Amen

*SONG OF PRAISE *Mighty To Save* Insert

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading:

Amanda Gauthier
Acts 2:1-21 NIV (New Testament page 119)

2 When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. **3** They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. **4** All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

5 Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. **6** When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken.⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?"⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language?⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, **10** Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome **11** (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" **12** Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

13 Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine." Peter Addresses the Crowd

14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. **15** These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! **16** No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

17 "In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,

your young men will see visions,

your old men will dream dreams.

18 Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

19 I will show wonders in the heavens above

and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and billows of smoke.

20 The sun will be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

21 And everyone who calls

on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

Response:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

