



Our Worship of God

May 23, 2021

11:15 am

~ Pentecost ~

Welcome

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Call to Worship

One: Come, Holy Spirit. Inspire our hearts with your fiery presence!

All: Let your flame burn within us, stirring us to action.

One: Come, Holy Spirit. Energize our lives to work for God.

All: Let your wind of hope swirl around us, lifting and moving us from complacency.

One: Come, Holy Spirit. Pour your blessing on us.

All: Let your presence challenge us to proclaim God's presence and love in everything we say and do.

Amen.

Opening Hymn 9

Sing Praise to the Father

*During the Opening Hymn, we invite children to lead us in worship
by waving ribbons and pinwheels.*

1. Sing praise to the Fa - ther, Cre - a - tor and King, whose mer - cy has
2. Sing praise to the Sav - ior, Re - deem - er and Friend, for grace past all
3. Sing praise to the Spir - it, the gift of God's love, who quick - ens our
4. Sing praise to the Fa - ther, sing praise to the Son, sing praise to the

taught us a new song to sing; who made us, and loved us tho'
tell - ing, for love with - out end; who stripped off his glo - ry, put
hearts with new life from a - bove, who woos us, sub - dues us, and
Spir - it, great God Three in One; the God of sal - va - tion, of

reb - els and lost, and planned our re - demp - tion at in - fi - nite cost.
on mor - tal sin, and died in our stead, full a - tone - ment to win.
seals us his own, and fault - less pre - sents us be - fore the White Throne.
glo - ry, of grace, who wrought our re - demp - tion—my soul, sing his praise!

Bless the Lord, bless the Lord, bless the Lord, O my soul, for the grace that re -

deems, for the love that makes whole; O come and a - dore him, his

glo - ries pro - claim, and wor - ship be - fore him—the Lord is his name!

Passing the Peace of Christ

Special Music

Our God of Grace
Chancel Bells

arr. Krug

Gospel Reading

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.


“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.


The Gospel of Our Lord.
Praise be to Christ.

Hymn of Praise


Gracious Spirit



1 Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead - ing;
 2 Come to teach us; come to nour - ish
 3 Guide our think - ing and our speak - ing
 4 Not mere knowl - edge, but dis - cern - ment,
 5 Keep us fer - vent in our wit - ness,



fash - ion us all a - new. It's your lead - ing
 those who be - lieve in Christ. Bless the faith - ful;
 done in your ho - ly name. Mo - ti - vate all
 nor root - less lib - er - ty; turn dis - qui - et
 un - swayed by earth's al - lure. Ev - er grant us



that we're need - ing; help us to fol - low you.
 may they flour - ish, strength - ened by grace un - priced.
 in their seek - ing, free - ing from guilt and shame.
 to con - tent - ment, doubt in - to cer - tain - ty.
 zeal - ous fit - ness, which you a - lone as - sure.

Refrain



Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.
 Njo - o, njo - o, nj - oo, Ro - ho mwe - ma.

On this day when we remember the
Spirit who comes like fire and like a gentle breeze,
We pray together:

Come, Holy Spirit, come:

Enter our lives.
Free us from all fear.
Give us strength to carry on.
Give us hope and joy sufficient for each day.

Come, Holy Spirit, come:

Give us power to be the church.
Impart your many gifts to our members, that we may be the
body of Christ's presence in the world.
Free us from all fear, and renew our life together.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Bind us close together.
May we rejoice with one another's joys and
Weep with one another's sorrows.
Bind us together, not only with the sheep of this fold,
But all of Christ's people around this city and world.
Forgive the pride, prejudice, and self-righteousness
Which separate us from one another.

Come, Holy Spirit, come:

That all may be one in Christ,
Source of all true unity,
Who is with us today and always,
Even to the end of time.

Amen.

Sharing Our Gifts

Anthem

Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me *Chancel Choir*

arr. K. Lee Scott

*Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
And, with words that help and heal thy life would mine reveal.
And, with actions bold and meek, For Christ, my Savior, speak.*

*Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions brotherly, Speak Christ's sincerity.*

*Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
Show thy mercy tenderly, Make me more like thee;
Separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be give him who gave me thee.*

*Mighty Spirit dwell with me, I would mighty be.
Help me now thy power to see, I would be like thee;
"Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.*

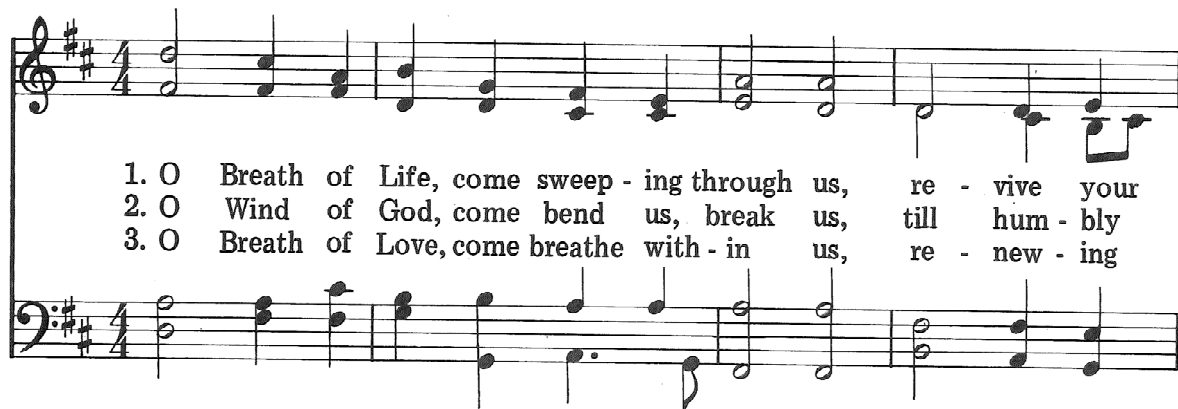
Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would be like thee!

Message

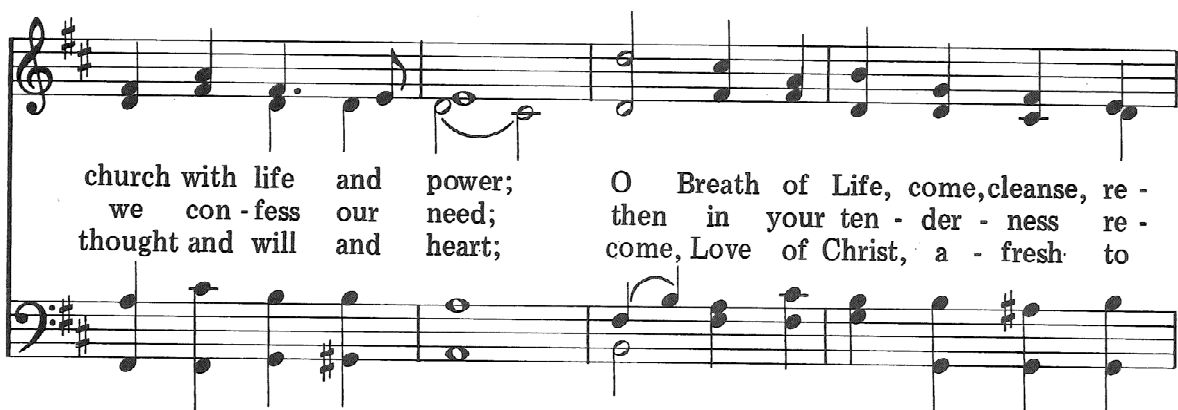
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Hymn of Response 299

O Breath of Life



1. O Breath of Life, come sweep - ing through us, re - vive your
 2. O Wind of God, come bend us, break us, till hum - bly
 3. O Breath of Love, come breathe with - in us, re - new - ing



church with life and power; O Breath of Life, come, cleanse, re -
 we con - fess our need; then in your ten - der - ness re -
 thought and will and heart; come, Love of Christ, a - fresh to



new us, and fit your church to meet this hour.
 make us, re - vive, re - store—for this we plead.
 win us, re - vive your church in ev - ery part!

Life of the Church

Benediction

Let us go now as Spirited people,
Powerful as the wind in doing God's will,
Energetic as fire in extending the love of Christ.
Be builders of understanding and makers of peace. Amen.

Worship Notes

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Week at a Glance

Sunday, May 23 - Pentecost

- 9:15 am Online Worship Service
- 10:00 am Student Ministry Group online
- 10:00 am Sunday Morning Small Groups/Bible Study
- 11:15 am Worship Service on the front lawn
- 2:00 pm First Families Pentecost Party

Tuesday, May 25

- 1:00 pm -3:00 pm Crafty Critters in the Parlor

Wednesday, May 26

- 12:00 pm Zoom at Noon with Pastor Carol
- 6:00 pm The Calling
- 6:30 pm Handbells Rehearsal
- 7:45 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, May 28

- 12:15 pm Jesus Calling: Women's Devotional and Prayer Time via Zoom

Sunday, May 30

- 9:15 am Online Worship Service
- 10:00 am Student Ministry Group online
- 10:00 am Sunday Morning Small Groups/Bible Study
- 11:15 am Worship Service on the front lawn

Monday, May 31

- Memorial Day Holiday – Offices Closed

Announcements

Visitors and Prayer Requests

If you are visiting with us online, we are so glad to have you with us! If you would like to receive more information about First Baptist and our ministries, you can fill out a visitor card at fbc-columbia.org/guest



New Worship Schedule-Beginning June 6

We will move our outdoor, in-person, on-lawn service to 9:15 am. This will allow those who might not be ready to worship indoors the opportunity to continue worshipping outside even as the weather warms up.

Our 11:15 am service will be a hybrid service for both in-person, indoors worship in the sanctuary and online. The hybrid service will maintain social distancing in the sanctuary with designated seating areas. Masks will be required at all times for attendees, even if vaccinated.

Childcare for Toddlers – Pre-K

We are excited to announce that childcare will be available during the on-lawn service for toddlers through pre-k on the playground. Our Nursery Director, Bethany James, has been hard at work recruiting workers to ensure kids have a fun and safe experience. Children can be checked at 11:00 am at the playground entrance on the front lawn. We are thankful for Bethany's diligent work, and for spaces to safely gather outdoors for worship and play!

ForColumbia Signups -Last day to register is May 24

ForColumbia has many different projects all across the city that can accommodate any skill set or limitation (such as making freezer meals, organizing donations, stencil artwork, painting projects, working in community gardens, and an online prayer group). First Baptist will be leading sites at Benton Elementary by spreading mulch, installing fencing, transplanting flowers, building a chicken coop and repairing playground equipment and our Extra Mile House by demoing sheetrock, ceilings, and flooring, and working outside planting flowers, clearing fence rows, and general yardwork. If you have questions, contact Michael McEntyre at mmcentyre@fbc-columbia.org. Sign up today at <https://www.forcolumbia.com> and help spread God's love throughout our city.

First Families Pentecost Party – This Afternoon

2-4 pm on the front lawn

This year, in celebration of Pentecost, First Kids will be hosting a family event to celebrate Pentecost. Beginning at 2 pm we will hear the Pentecost story and celebrate the gift of the Spirit and the birthday of the Church with cupcakes and pinwheels. Following our guided Pentecost activities, we will have some fun opportunities to gather with sidewalk paint, 9 square in the air, and more. Additionally, the playground will be open but please note there will not be a paid childcare worker to monitor. Wear red and come join the party!

First Baptist Summer One Read(s)

Are you looking for something to read over the summer? Look no further, back by popular demand is our summer one read(s)! We have chosen three books for our One Read. You can read one or read them all. The idea is for everyone to read at their own pace over the summer and then, join the conversations about them in the fall. Hopefully, the books will be thought-provoking, encourage spiritual growth, and fruitful discussion. Books are \$15 each and can be purchased on Sunday mornings or at the church office during the week.

***Invitation to the Psalms* by Rolf A. Jacobson & Karl N. Jacobson**

Invitation to the Psalms is a winsome accessible introduction to the Psalms that delves into how to read Hebrew poetry, the Psalter's basic genres, the metaphorical world of the Psalms, and the theology of the Psalms.

***Native: Identity, Belonging, and Rediscovering God* by Kaitlin Curtice.**

As both a citizen of the Potawatomi Nation and a Christian, Kaitlin Curtice writes about how reconnecting with her Potawatomi identity both informs and challenges her faith. *Native* is deeply personal, beautifully written, and thought provoking. Each section begins with an illustrated poem from Potawatomi tradition.

***Convictions: How I Learned What Matters Most* by Marcus Borg**

On his seventieth birthday, the renowned progressive Christian scholar Marcus Borg wrote *Convictions*. This book is a manifesto for all progressive Christians who seek the best path for following Jesus today.

Annual Church Picnic 2021 – Sunday, June 13 at Bethel Park

What is different about this year's church picnic? Well, we get to have it! The First Baptist Church Picnic is set for Sunday, June 13 at Bethel Park from 4:00-6:00 pm. Typically, we bring a side dish to share. We are not doing that this year, but you can bring your own meal or snacks. You can also bring your favorite outdoor game. Your lawn chair might be nice too. Plus, we get to have the (almost) Annual World Championship Egg Toss!

Contemplative Retreat at Conception Abbey

October 8-10 (Friday morning through Sunday evening), you are invited to join Pastor Carol for a contemplative retreat at Conception Abbey, a beautiful Benedictine monastery located in northwest Missouri. The quiet setting and rural atmosphere of Conception Abbey is the ideal place for retreat.

A contemplative retreat is an opportunity to set aside time to be quiet and spend time with God. The schedule for the retreat is intentionally very open. On Friday afternoon, we will gather at the Abbey for worship and to set the intention for the weekend. You will receive a simple devotional guide with questions, scriptures, and quotes for reflection. Then, we will enter a 24-hour period of silence and listening. During the 24-hour period (from Friday evening, until Saturday evening) you are free to rest, read, journal or walk the lovely grounds at the abbey. You may also choose to join the monastic community for prayer in the Basilica; they gather six times a day to pray. After the Saturday evening meal, we will gather to share what we have experienced during our day of silence, followed by a time of fellowship. Sunday morning, we join in worship again, and share a meal before returning home.

A motel-type building at the Abbey allows private rooms. We will have six scheduled meals in the dining hall—dinner Friday through lunch on Sunday. The cost is \$150.00 for a single room or a double room is \$145.00. Meals are included in the cost. We have 10 rooms reserved, which means registration is limited and early registration is encouraged. To register or for more information contact Pastor Carol at mcentyre@fbc-columbia.org.



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