



# Pentecost

## May 19, 2024

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### GATHERED INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude ... *the chime is rung as a call to attend to God's presence with us*

Opening Proclamation: *Pentecost* (a poem written by Malcolm Guite)

### CALL TO WORSHIP\*

One: From many places, we gather

ALL: FROM MANY BACKGROUNDS,  
MANY EXPERIENCES, WE GATHER.

1: Each with our own stories

2: Each with our own prayers

3: Each with our own hopes

4: Each given with power to achieve God's purpose

ALL: WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT.

Opening Prayer\*

HYMN *Joys Are Flowing Like a River* VT 375

Passing the Peace & Fellowship Greeting

## **LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD IN SCRIPTURE**

HYMN *Kindle In Us Your Love* VT 54

Children's Time

Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-4; 1 Corinthians 12:

Meditation

## **ENCOUNTERING CHRIST AT THE TABLE\*\***

HYMN *Spirit of the Living God* VT 740

One: God's Spirit is approaching

**ALL: THROUGH TIME, ACROSS CONTINENTS,  
SOARING OVER CREATION**

One: God's Spirit is speaking

**ALL: WHISPERING AND COMFORTING,  
ROARING AND CHALLENGING**

One: God's Spirit surrounds us

**ALL: BEYOND TOUCH, WARMING EMBRACING**

One: God's Spirit transforms us

**ALL: MAKING OUR HORIZONS WIDER,  
OUR FAITH STRONGER, OUR HOPES POSSIBLE.**

Prayer of Preparation & Words of Institution

**Invitation: *Come to the Table!*** (with Music for Meditation)

*Come in the center aisle to one of the stations in the front to receive bread and juice. If you prefer to remain seated, a server will come to you. In keeping with our Anabaptist tradition, we offer those still deciding about baptism (often children and youth) a bunch of grapes and a blessing. However, as this is God's Table and not ours, we invite you to participate as you feel led by the Spirit of the Living Christ, the true host. All seeking to know and follow Christ more fully are welcome.*

**Response after Communion:**

One: Spirit of the living God move among us all,  
for you transform us into the people you invite us to be,  
for you transform the world  
into the place you dream it to be.  
Make us one in love,  
humble, caring, selfless, sharing.

**ALL: Blow among us, Spirit of God,  
fill us with your courage and care.  
Hurricane and Breath,  
take us on a journey of love! AMEN**

# SHARING OUR STORIES

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer  
Announcements

## FOLLOWING CHRIST, WHO GOES BEFORE US

HYMN *There Are Many Gifts* VT 374

Benediction\*

Postlude ... *receive the postlude as a musical blessing*

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## WELCOME!

If you need a hearing assist device, please ask at the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary. The Nursery is typically staffed with a volunteer care provider during worship (and Sunday School as needed). Children are also welcome to remain in the sanctuary! Worship bags with drawing/coloring materials are provided at the back of the sanctuary.

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\* **These words for worship written** for BibleWorm by Rev. Teri Peterson.

\*\***Portions of our communion liturgy** were adapted from: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/resources/posts/a-pentecost-great-thanksgiving/>

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Sound: Earl Ediger  
Livestream: Jonathan Wenger  
Ushers: Cheryl Warkentin & Marlene Thode  
Nursery: Julie Goering  
Pianist: Peggy Stucky  
Song Leader: Jon Miller  
Worship Leader: Maggie Pounds  
Scripture Reader: Sadie Pritchett, Heidi Unruh  
Children's Time: Delon Martens  
Sermon: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger  
Communion Servers: Pastor Tonya, Pastor Jim Unruh, Delon Martens,  
Maggie Pounds, Joretta Martens  
Communion Preparation: Dohn and Jeanette Fast

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**TODAY** join in fellowship/drinks in Common Grounds after worship. Sunday School for all ages begins at 11:00am.

### **LOOKING AHEAD:**

May 25 – FMC serves at the Soup Kitchen – sign up to prepare food, serve the meal and clean up, and make deliveries.

May 26 – New Worship/Sermon series begins, exploring 1 John

June 2 – **mfc** Community Worship Service & Ice Cream Social, 6:30pm

June 9 – **Color Green**, a Bluegrass/Gospel group, joins us in worship

June 9 – FMC Ice Cream Social at 6:30pm

June 15-16 – FMC's weekend at Camp Mennoscah.



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