

WE GATHER IN CHRIST’S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC Nun Bitten Wir den Heiligen Geist Dietrich Buxtehude

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, SILENCE The Rev. Dr. James Butler

\* UNISON INTROIT FOR PENTECOST (Hymn 2)  
Come, Holy Spirit come! Thy sacred witness bear.  
In this glad hour, thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart.  
And ne’er from us depart, Spirit of power.

\* LITANY OF INVOCATION OF THE SPIRIT David Brill  
Creator Spirit, in the beginning you moved over the face of the deep, and from your breath all creation drew life. Without you, life returns to dust.  
Come, Holy Spirit, fill us with your gifts and grace.  
Spirit of Wisdom and Might, by your inspiration the prophets spoke and acted in faith.  
You clothed them in power to speak your divine word.  
Come, Holy Spirit, fill us with your gifts and grace.  
Spirit of Power and Divine Life, you came in fulfillment of the Hebrew prophets and the promise of Jesus. “I will not leave you orphaned.” You came upon all manner of God’s people, making them living temples of God’s presence.  
Come, Holy Spirit, fill us with your gifts and grace.

\* HYMN 280 “Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us” EBENEZER

\* ACCLAMATION AND PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION  
Beloved in Christ: God is with us!  
We are not alone!

CALL TO CONFESSION AND SILENT REFLECTION

UNISON CONFESSION  
Creator God, when we resist your Spirit’s guidance and movement, forgive us. When we do not welcome the Spirit’s power to help us and empower us to pursue your good purposes, forgive us. Send your Spirit upon us, O Lord. Help us to love you above all else, and to love our neighbors as we love our selves. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

FIRST LESSON Acts 2:1-18 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.119)

ANTHEM Fresh Winds of the Spirit David N. Davenport  
Summer Choir  
Fresh winds of the spirit blow gently on me. Awaken a longing as old as the sea. Oh, Jesus my Savior attend me I pray. Blow gently on me, dear Lord, blow gently on me. Fresh winds of the spirit, in silence I wait. Come flooding my being as I meditate. Run deep as a river, a cool healing stream, blow gently on me, dear Lord, blow gently on me. Fresh winds of the spirit in service I rise. Oh, joy beyond measure, let praise fill the skies. Our Maker, in heaven, in all glory be! Blow gently on me, dear Lord, blow gently on me.

\* GOSPEL LESSON John 14:15-27 (Pew Bible, N.T. p.109)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM  
With joy we welcome Graeham Alexei Matthews into the household of God and this community of Christian faith. Graeham is the son of Josh and Metta Warholyk Matthews.

SUNG BLESSING (Hymn 409, v. 3)  
Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd’s flock and fold.  
Here we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we hold.  
Here the servants of the Servant seek through worship to explore  
What it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

SERMON “Home Alone?” Dr. Butler  
“I will ask the Father and you will be given another Advocate to be with you forever.”

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

\* HYMN 291 “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness” SPIRIT

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.

OFFERTORY *Prélude du Deuxième Ton* Guillaume-Gabriel Nivers

\* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

HYMN 285 “Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song” BRIDEGROOM

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* DEPARTING MUSIC *Praeludium et Fuga in F* Johann Sebastian Bach  
BWV 556  
*The people are welcome to depart or remain seated while the Departing Music is played.*

Our Mission

To extend the gracious welcome of God in Jesus Christ through worship,  
service and spiritual growth in a supportive community of faith.

Staff

The Rev. Dr. James Butler, Pastor  
The Revs. Dr. Steve and Dr. Cinda Gorman, Parish Associates  
Dr. Kaori Hongo, Minister of Music  
Aliyah Kennedy, Director of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry  
Sara Gresh, Secretary and Financial Secretary  
Kimberly Hook, Childcare Provider and Evening Receptionist  
Carolyn Fordosi, Housekeeper  
Scott Schreibman, Maintenance Custodian  
Margaret Limkemann, Minister of Music Emerita



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

Day of Pentecost  
June 8, 2025  
10 a.m.

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