



INDEPENDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DAY OF PENTECOST ~ MAY 28, 2023

C.J. Briggs, Music Director
Julie Lehmann, Church Secretary

Paula Trill, Liturgist
Rev. David B. Wigger, Pastor



Robo Mungu anakaa ndani yenu.

el Espíritu de Dios habita en ustedes.

하나님의 령이 당신들 안에 살아 계신다는 것을 깨닫지 못합니까

ما را كمش عارفين باللي أنتوم مَعْبَدَ اللهُ وروح الله ساكن فيكم؟

l'Esprit de Dieu habite en vous

the Spirit of God lives in you

~ 1 Corinthians 3:16 ~

~ **GATHERING** ~

GATHERING MUSIC

THE PROMISE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT *(from John 14)*

PRELUDE

PENTECOST WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Acts 2:17)*

The Spirit helps us in our weakness,
interceding with sighs too deep for words.

***LITANY FOR PENTECOST**

Holy Spirit, Creator, in the beginning you fluttered over the waters.
From your breath all creation drew life. Without you, life turns to
dust. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Counselor, by your inspiration, the prophets spoke
and acted in faith. You clothed them in power to be bearers of
your Word. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Power, you came as fire to the disciples; you gave
them voice before the rulers of this world. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, you created us children of God; your
presence dwells in us; interceding in our weakness with sighs too
deep for words. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Giver of life, you guide and make holy the church you
create; you give gifts—the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the
spirit of counsel and fortitude, the spirit of knowledge and piety,
the spirit of the fear of the Lord, that the whole creation may be
transformed. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

***HYMN**

BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD

GTG #286

by Edwin Hatch

TRENTHAM

CHILDREN OF GOD

BAPTIZED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND WITH FIRE

*I baptize with water... [but] the one who is coming after me is stronger than I am.
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ~ Matthew 3:11*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Spirit of God, we hesitate and doubt. You call us to act boldly but our fear keeps us from following your call. Forgive our lack of courage. Embolden us to dream big and trust the Spirit to fill us and use us. Help us be Christ's church without hesitation. Guided by your Holy Spirit, help us usher in your kin-dom to come. Amen. *[Time of Silent Confession]*

*RESPONSE COME, O HOLY SPIRIT, COME GTG #283
Nigerian Song (*Wa wa was Emimimo*)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In the name of Jesus Christ, **we are forgiven. Amen.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

INSTRUMENTAL

~ **THE WORD** ~

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON JOHN 20:19-23 (CEB)

THE PENTECOST STORY ACTS 2:1-21 (CEB)

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God's people.
Thanks be to God.

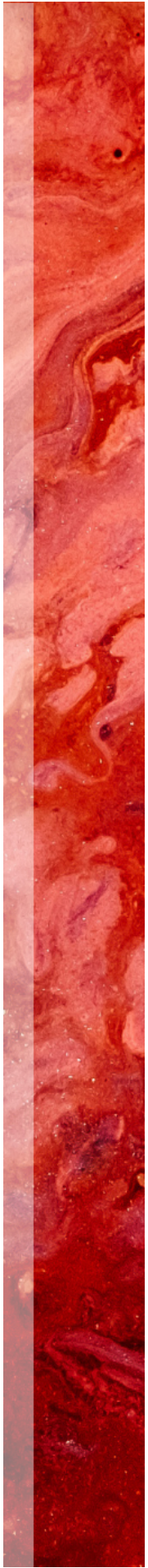
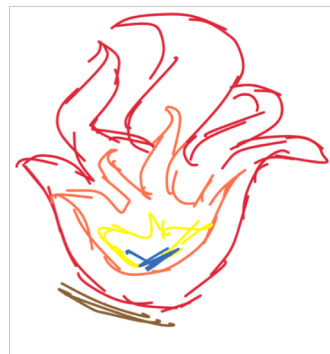
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SERMON

BREATH OF GOD



נְשִׁימַת אֱלֹהִים
πνοή του Θεού
Robo Mungu
신의 숨결
Espíritu de Dios
Emi Mimo



~ **RESPONDING TO THE WORD** ~

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(from the Confession of 1967)*

God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation in human life. The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in which people are reconciled to God and to one another. The Spirit enables people to receive forgiveness as they forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of God as they make peace among themselves. In spite of their sin, the Spirit gives people power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and his gospel of reconciliation to all.

***INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

Gifts for the Pentecost Special Offering should be placed in the designated envelopes.

***RESPONSE**

DOXOLOGY

GTG #606

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

~ **SENDING** ~

HYMN

EVERY TIME I FEEL THE SPIRIT
African American Spiritual

GTG #66
PENTECOST

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

