

**May 11, 2008  
Mothers' Day**

*"Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love.  
Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth."*

Gathering to Celebrate Christ's Resurrection

GATHERING

**Rise and shine and give God the glory, glory!  
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Children of the Lord.**

PRELUDE "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" Robert W. Thygerson

THE PENTECOST WITNESS Acts 2:1-13

CALL TO WORSHIP *Seasons of the Spirit*

O God, the works of your hands are numerous!  
Your creative power is evident throughout the Earth.  
**We will sing to you as long as we live,  
We will praise you with every breath we take.**

The waters of Earth are great and mighty  
and the works of your hands –great and small –  
find a home in their droplets and waves.  
**We will sing to you as long as we live,  
We will praise you with every breath we take.**

All creation looks to you to give everything comes to life,  
and we are created anew.  
**We will sing to you as long as we live,  
We will praise you with every breath we take.**

\*SINGING "We Are the Church" No. 558

\*CONFESSING WHO WE ARE *Seasons of the Spirit*

**Spirit of God, your power blows in our world, across the Earth, and into our  
lives. Forgive us when we do not receive your Spirit with gratitude.**

*\*All who are able, please stand.*

Spirit of God, you bring light to our world, energize the Earth, and inspire us with  
goodness. Forgive us when we snuff out your presence with our gracelessness.

\*SILENT PRAYER

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus said, "Peace be with you," and then breathed out his spirit.

"If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them."

Receive the Spirit of God and may the flame of forgiveness blow freely within you.

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S TIME

Tara Anderson

Listening Expectantly

SPECIAL MUSIC "Send It On Down" MaryAnne Desrosiers & Lisa  
Pellegrino

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13

RECEIVING PRAYER REQUESTS AND SINGING

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 trespasses as we forgive  
those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

GOSPEL LESSON John 7: 37-39

SPECIAL MUSIC "I Can Hear My Name" Donna Blanchette

MESSAGE "Pentecost?" Loxi Ellingwood

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song" Adult Choir

\*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts.  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*SINGING "Pass It On" No. 572

\*SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE "The Praising Trumpet" Steven Scott

LITURGISTS Tara Anderson, Donna Blanchette, Loxi Ellingwood, Linda Gay, Marjorie Hiles,  
Barbara Walz, Nancy White

GREETERS Hildegard Handy, Darlene Lemoi, Ann Parenteau, Nancy Steere

USHERS Marti Bower, Aileen Gufler, Norma Naylor, Cis Simano

Communion will be offered at the altar rail for all who wish to partake following worship.  
Please listen for the bell.

Come join us for coffee and fellowship after Worship!

*We hope you'll want to take your Bulletins home, but if not please remember to put them in the recycle bin.*

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*Pentecost Sunday*

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