



Christ Is Rising!

May 28, 2023—10:30 AM

Pentecost Sunday



A Hybrid Worship Experience In-Person and Online

Today's worship team—Music Director: Jayne McDonough; Worship Leader: Barbara Cain; Message: Norris Clark; Production: Max Moran

WELCOME!

Be Involved

Be involved in doing good, for at the proper time good things will result if we do not give up.

Galatians 6:9



WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

So glad you're here today on this Pentecost Sunday! Enjoy worship with your neighbors and be spiritually energized. Join us in-person in our beautiful, historic Red Brick Church or online: www.coldspringworship.com.

WORSHIP PREVIEW

While Pastor Kevin is recuperating, we welcome Norris Clark to the pulpit today with the message "Becoming a Fruit Farmer for Life"

MUSIC PREVIEW

Barbara Cain will be singing Sweet, Sweet Spirit by Doris Akers. The idea for her song "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" came to her one Sunday in 1962 when she was preparing the choir for a service. She didn't believe they had prayed enough! They were accustomed to spending time with her in prayer before the service, asking God to bless their songs. She had once said, "I feel that prayer is more important than great voices." They had already prayed, but this particular morning she asked them to pray again, and they did so with renewed fervor. As they continued to pray, Doris began to wonder how she could stop this wonderful prayer meeting. She even sent word to the pastor about what was happening. Finally, she was compelled to say to the choir, "We have to go. I hate to leave this room and I know you hate to leave, but you know we do have to go to the service. But there is such a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place." Thus was a new song born.

Doris herself explains, "Songwriters always have their ears open to a song. The song started 'singing' to me. I wanted to write it down but couldn't. I thought the song would be gone after the service. Following the dismissal, I went home. The next morning, to my surprise, I heard the song again, so I went to the piano and wrote 'There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place.'"



Following the message we will sing Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness. Often called just Spirit Song, this hymn affirms the Spirit's presence as a full partner in the Trinity —not a later adjunctive agent. Manley provides a lyrical clarification throughout the biblical witness of faith. He challenges us in the final lines of the fourth stanza to follow the leading of the Spirit: “With bold new decisions / your people arise.”

Our sending hymn is *God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*. This hymn communicates a feeling of patriotism and honors the greatness of God. The hymn's origins can be traced back to 1876, when the United States was celebrating the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Daniel C. Roberts wrote the text for the hymn to be used during a small patriotic celebration in Vermont. The lyrics ask God to continue to guide and protect us as He has done in the past.

COUNTDOWN TO WORSHIP

(10:24)

PRELUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

(10:25)

WELCOME: NORRIS CLARK

(10:27)

(10:30)

Call to Worship (Responsive): Barbara Cain (10:32)

God who gathers us on this Pentecost Sunday,
grant us the courage of a planted seed, poised
for growth, ready to burst from the dark, rich
soil of Word and worship.

**May the timing of our growth coincide with
your created order as we enter summertime.**

**May we bloom in righteousness as the sun
rises high and the crops grow tall.**

All together in one place;

they heard the rush of a violent wind;

It filled the entire house.

**Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared and
rested on each of them;**

they were filled with the Holy Spirit.

God Welcomes All (unison):

(1-10:33)

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong and it never ends.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON):

**Open our hearts and minds by the power of
your Spirit, Holy God, that we might hear and
receive the message you intend for us today.
Amen.**

FIRST READING: ACTS 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who

are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 13But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the

earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

MUSIC - SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT - BARBARA CAIN

GOSPEL READING: GALATIANS 5:13-26

Life by the Spirit

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh[a]; rather, serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of

rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

MESSAGE:

BECOMING A FRUIT FARMER FOR LIFE-NORRIS CLARK
PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION

MUSIC: SPIRIT - BLUE #319

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
Blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
Stir me from placidness,
Wind, wind on the sea.

1. You moved on the waters,
You called to the deep,
Then You coaxed up the mountains

From the valleys of sleep,
And over the eons You called to each thing,
“Awake from your slumbers
And rise on your wings.”

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
Blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
Stir me from placidness,
Wind, wind on the sea.

2. You swept through the desert,
You stung with the sand,
And You gifted your people
With a law and a land,
And when they were blinded
With their idols and lies,
Then You spoke through Your prophets
To open their eyes.

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
Blow through the wilderness, calling and free
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
Stir me from placidness,
Wind, wind on the sea.

3. You sang in a stable,
You cried from a hill,
Then You whispered in silence

When the whole world was still,
And down in the city You called once again
When You blew through Your people
On the rush of the wind.

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
Blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
Stir me from placidness,
Wind, wind on the sea.

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

(10:54)

God's spirit has gathered us for worship. Let us
confess our sins and return to God.

PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS (UNISON)

**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.**

Silent Reflection

HEAR THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord

shall be saved” Acts 2:21. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed. Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

(10:57)

God’s Spirit is among us making all things new. Let us participate in this new creation by offering our gifts to God.

The Doxology

(10:58)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above the heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

You have blessed each of us with gifts to serve and share, Most Generous God. May the offerings we present today be used to further your Kin-dom and build your beloved community. Amen.

Ferrari (5/30) and Ethel Simpson (6/1).
Anniversary blessings to George & Beverly
Greger (5/28) & Michelle & Larry Hume (6/4).
Seven music.

Community News:

Angelus Chorus Spring performances:

1. Saturday, June 3, 7:00 p.m. Byrne Plaza
3400 Pacific Ave. Wildwood-
outdoor venue, bring chairs.

2. Sunday, June 4 at 3:00 p.m.

Middle Twp Performing Arts Center

212 Bayberry Drive

CMCH Tickets \$5.00 - all proceeds

donated to the Branches Outreach Center

See Barbara Cain or Larry Moyer for tickets

- also available at the doors, day of event

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Pastor Kevin is in our prayers, now resting at home. The prayers, cards and expressions of love and support mean so much to him and Melissa.

Chuck's Brother Michael completing treatments. John Stalford, in hospice care at home with family. Linda's daughter-in-law tumor has shrunk to half it's size and surgery is possible! Glenn-parathyroid surgery. Tom Hamilton, auto accident. Rebecca Busch,

breast cancer, Carmela, Lenore. Mary Wender, liver failure. George Barsby recovering at home. Paul Haggy. Laurie Johnson. Michael with ALS. Rev. Doug Madden and Rev. Reeder (surgery). Lloyd and Sharon Posnikoff. Those on hospice: John Stalford, Bob Fite, Gertrude Hess. For healing: Susan Dehart in physical therapy, Eileen Stalford improving. In the Community- Those undergoing cancer treatment: Gerri Mills, Robin B, Carmela G, Mike, Kim, Glenn, Steve, Rickey, Lorraine, Kate, Candy.

PRAYER

Spirit of wisdom and understanding as you gathered diverse peoples on Pentecost, embolden us with a Christian hospitality that welcomes and receives all. Open our hearts to empathy and understanding of the circumstances of others. Empower us with your radical love that can strengthen and save. May we, your people, call on you with one voice, as one body, giving thanks and praise for your promise of redemption. In your mercy, God hear the prayers of your people. Now, as the Body of Christ, we pray as Christ taught us,...

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.

FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY - BARBARA CAIN

**Once we were strangers,
Now we are neighbors.
Once we were strangers,
Now we are friends.**

MUSIC: GOD OF THE AGES, WHOSE ALMIGHTY HAND

BLUE #262

1. God of the ages whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

2. Thy love divine hath led us in the past
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;
Be thou our Ruler Guardian Guide and Stay
Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

3. From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence

Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
Thy true religion in our hearts increase
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

4.Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

BENEDICTION - NORRIS CLARK

May the spark of God ignite you; May the love
of Christ renew you; May the Holy Spirit fill you,
on this Pentecost Sunday and the days to
come. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

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