



Bethlehem

United Methodist Church

JULY 24, 2022

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING AND PRAISE

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit” (UMH #334)

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

OPENING PRAYER

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. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy Your consolations. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“How Great is Our God”

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty let all the earth rejoice All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice and trembles at His voice

CHORUS: How great is our God sing with me

How great is our God and all will see how great how great is our God

And age to age He stands and time is in His hands
Beginning and the End Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb The Lion and the Lamb

CHORUS

Name above all names worthy of all praise My heart will sing how great is our God
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CHORUS

Then sings my soul, my savior God to Thee How great thou art, how great thou art
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MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

CALL TO PRAYER

“Spirit of the Living God” (UMH #393)

Spirit of the Living God fall fresh on me, Spirit of the Living God fall fresh on me
Melt me mold me fill me use me, Spirit of the Living God fall fresh on me

MORNING PRAYER

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 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.

PRESENTATION OF THE HOPE TO WALK OFFERING

THANKSGIVING for OFFERING, TITHES, AND GIFTS

HEARING GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:42-47 (CEB)

⁴² The believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the community, to their shared meals, and to their prayers. ⁴³ A sense of awe came over everyone. God performed many wonders and signs through the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were united and shared everything. ⁴⁵ They would sell pieces of property and possessions and distribute the proceeds to everyone who needed them. ⁴⁶ Every day, they met together in the temple and ate in their homes. They shared food with gladness and simplicity. ⁴⁷ They praised God and demonstrated God's goodness to everyone. The Lord added daily to the community those who were being saved.

SERMON

“Through The Power of The Holy Spirit”

Scott Davis

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN

“Church on Fire”

The Holy Spirit is here and His power is real Anything can happen and it probably will
Something very good something good is going on around here
Well there's a light that shines to make the dark disappear
There's a power at work but there's nothing to fear
Something very good something good is going on around here

This is a church on fire. This is the Holy Spirit's flame
We have a burning desire to lift up Jesus' name
Let (the) fire burn in every heart to light the way defeat the dark
Let the flame of love burn higher This is a church, This is a church on fire
(repeat all from the top)

SENDING FORTH

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

“As We Go” (W&S #3183)

As we go, may your Spirit go before us. As we go, may we follow where you lead.
May we live what we have learned, share the message we have heard,
and be a light unto the world as we go.