



Online Worship Resource (Sunday, June 5, 2022)

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FLOWERS: Given to the glory of God by the Kerrs in celebration of Calvary Presbyterian Church.

Prelude: Fugue in Gm, BWV 578 J. S. Bach
David Maley, Organ

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship Jonathan Jelsma, Liturgist

Please stand as you are led and join me in our responsive Call to Worship:
God of wind and fire,

when you send your Spirit, we are created anew.

God of mighty oceans and still waters,

when we receive your baptism, we are born anew.

God of bread and wine,

when we eat at your table, we are nourished anew.

So, pour out your Spirit, Lord.

Let sacred waters flow.

Fill us with holy food.

We open wide our hearts and our hands to receive your gifts of life.

Move among us, Spirit!

Opening Hymn: "Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; come with Pentecostal power;
Give the church a stronger vision; help us face each crucial hour.
Built upon a firm foundation, Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,
Still the church is called to mission that God's love shall be made known.

We would raise our alleluias for the grace of yesteryears;
For tomorrow's unknown pathway, hear O Lord, our humble prayers.
In the church's pilgrim journey you have led us all the way;
Still in presence move before us, fire by night and cloud by day.

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; give us words of fire and flame.
Help our feeble lips to praise you, glorify your holy name.
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One: what mystery!
We would sing our loud hosannas now and through eternity.

Passing of the Peace

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Pastoral Prayer

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

(Liturgist)

Let us prepare our hearts to hear God's Word by praying together our Prayer for Illumination:

Holy Spirit, come again. In the dry and dusty places of our lives, fill our ears with the sound of your breath. Fill our eyes with the brilliance of your presence in each other. Fill our hearts with your good Word. For the sake of Christ, we pray. Amen.

Scripture Reading Ezekiel 37:1-14

¹ The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ² He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³ He said to me, ‘Mortal, can these bones live?’ I answered, ‘O Lord God, you know.’ ⁴ Then he said to me, ‘Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵ Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶ I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD.’

⁷ So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸ I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. ⁹ Then he said to me, ‘Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.’ ¹⁰ I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

¹¹ Then he said to me, ‘Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, “Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.” ¹² Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴ I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD.’

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

‘Dem Bones

Rev. Michelle Fincher

Hymn after Sermon: "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

Refrain: Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free;

Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, Wind, wind on the sea.

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." (Refrain)

You swept through the desert; You stung with the sand; And you goaded Your people with a law and a land.

When they were confounded with idols and lies, Then You spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. (Refrain)

You call from tomorrow; You break ancient schemes; From the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams.

Our women see visions; Our men clear their eyes. With bold new decisions Your people arise. (Refrain)

Call to offering (Liturgist)

Grateful for the hope and new life we receive in Jesus Christ, we offer our gifts and offerings as a sign of our thanks. Please join me as we pray together the prayer of Dedication:

Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, by the power of the Holy Spirit, you have given us life, granted us wisdom, and blessed us with your abiding presence. With joy we give our offerings as an expression of our gratitude for your Spirit's work in our lives. May these gifts help breathe new life into those in need and be a tangible sign of your ongoing creation. Amen.

To Share in the Lord's Supper

Call to Confession

Rev. Michelle Fincher

Prayer of Confession

Holy Spirit, our lives would be lost without your precious voice whispering to our hearts and minds. Yet we so often dismiss your nudging as our own conscience or human thoughts. Forgive us for failing to heed you, for not recognizing your presence. Distracted by our own agendas and busyness, we miss how near and active you are. Speak to us again, that we might take time to stop and listen for your voice. Spirit, we know that you are alive and working, and we don't want to miss the new life you have for us.

SILENT CONFSSION

Assurance of Pardon

God's Spirit is here, breathing forgiveness and hope into the broken, dry places of our lives.

God's mercy gives us a fresh start and renews our spirits. Thanks be to God! Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise . . .

(Alleluia)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give thanks to the risen Lord; Alleluia, Alleluia, Give praise to His name.

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.

Communion Hymn "Spirit of God"

Spirit of God, bright Wind, breath that bids life begin, Blow as you always do, create us anew.

Give us the breath to sing, lifted on soaring wing, Held in Your hands, borne on Your wings.

Refrain: Alleluia, Come, Spirit come! Alleluia, Come, Spirit come!

Spirit of God, bright Dove, grant us your peace and love, Healing upon your wings for all living things;

For when we live Your peace, captives will find release, Held in Your hands, borne on Your wings. (Refrain)

Spirit of God in all, we gladly hear your call, the life in our hands that sings, the power of your wings;

Born of your grace we rise, love shining in our eyes, Held in Your hands, borne on Your wings. (Refrain)

Prayer after Communion

Closing Hymn: "Spirit, Now Live in Me"

O holy Dove of God descending, you are the love that knows no ending, All of our shattered dreams you're mending, Spirit now live in me.

O holy Wind of God now blowing, you are the seed that God is sowing, You are the life that starts us growing, Spirit now live in me.

O holy Rain of God now falling, you make the Word of God entralling, You are that inner voice now calling, Spirit now live in me.

O holy Flame of God now burning, you are the power of Christ returning,
You are the answer to our yearning, Spirit now live in me.

Benediction

Postlude: Hymn in E David Maley

Today's Worship Participants:

Rev. Michelle Fincher, Judy Viccellio, guitar, David Maley, organ & piano,
Jonathan Jelsma, liturgist, Ilse Klopotek and Paulina Sintim-Aboagye,
communion preparers, and Whitney Roberts, technology team