

**The Presbyterian Church of Okemos**  
**June 5, 2022**  
**Pentecost Sunday**



**COVID-19 Safety Recommendations**

- *Wear a mask while singing in the sanctuary, and when interacting with young children.*
- *Remember that young children are not vaccinated.*

**Preparation:** “Much of the language in the farewell discourse is addressed in the second person plural. You is y’all. When Jesus tells the disciples they will know the Spirit because the Spirit abides with them and lives in them, he is speaking to them collectively. The Spirit constitutes and empowers us not alone but in community.” - New Testament Professor Greg Carey

**Prelude**

*Tongues of Fire* Alfred V. Fedak  
[Pentecost Dance] Tune: Veni Creator Spiritus  
Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, organist Plainchant

**Greetings and Announcements of the Church**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Call to Worship**

Kathy Richardson, Liturgist

One: Pentecost is coming. It will be an end and a beginning.

**All: It will bewilder and confuse.**

One: Though some will fight it, the aching world calls it forth with urgency.

**All: Come, Spirit, come.**

One: The Spirit who moves like a rush of violent wind; who appears like fire...

**All: Who is the breath of God...**

One: She comes to us unconcerned with order, wild with freedom, turning over anything and everything that stands in her way.

**All: Come, Spirit, come.**

\* Hymn #289

On Pentecost They Gathered, vs. 1-4  
[Munich]

**Prayer of Confession**

Kathy Richardson, Liturgist

One: Like those who gathered so long ago, we gather as a collection of not so perfect people, a bit sheepish because we know we fall short of God’s desire for us. But our hearts are also expectant, because we know of God’s love for us and our redemption through Christ. With this confidence, let us put our trust in God’s grace and confess our sins together.

**All: Holy Lord, we humbly come before you and confess it is often easier for us to hide in the upper rooms of our lives and not acknowledge your presence. We cut ourselves**

**off from your power, and let the world go by. But you have challenged us to come alive again with your love and words of healing mercy. Forgive our hesitant witness and our complacent spirits. Heal our fears and our wounds. Challenge and inspire us to overcome our feelings of inadequacy. Remind us that you have called us beloved and have filled us with your Holy Spirit, giving us all we need to proclaim your Good News.**

**Promise of the Gospel**

Kathy Richardson, Liturgist

**One:** The Spirit moves in and through us, allowing God to reach the inmost places of our hearts. Accept God's grace. Believe the Good News. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**All:** **Let us live as people sure of this grace. Let us live as people restored to abundant life. Amen.**

**\* Act of Praise #581**

*Gloria Patri*

**Ritual of Transition**

End of School Year Blessing  
Graduation Blessing

Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Musical Response**

*Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart*  
Cari Cravotta, Flute  
PCO Handbell Choir (2021-2022)  
Irene Shutt, director

Cynthia Dobrinski

Sally Belloli, Jeff Conroy-Krutz, Dave & Kathi Cook  
Linda & Lou Cravotta, Barbara Fretwell-Cooke, Betty Grzesiak  
Beth Layhe, Michael Moore, Sarah Mayhew, Carolyn Sherrill  
Kathleen Shutt, Helen Taylor, Ewen Todd

**Prayer of Illumination**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

Holy Spirit, come again. As long ago you inspired, astonished, and confused the people, come to us now to 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. Amen

**Scripture Reading**

Acts 1:1-5, 2:1-4

Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Sermon**

*All Together Now*  
Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Dedication of 5th Octave of Handbells**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Anthem**

*Music of the Spheres*  
PCO Handbell Choir and Dr. Marlene Brewbaker, Organ

Kevin McChesney

**Offering**

Kathy Richardson, Liturgist

**Invitation**

**Offertory**

*Come Down, O Love Divine*

Down Ampney

Setting by Michael Burkhardt

**\*Doxology #606**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Holy Communion**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts,

**All: We lift them up to God.**

One: Let us give thanks to God.

**All: It is right to give both thanks and praise.**

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Communion Prayer

Pastor Lisa Schrott

**\* Hymn #641**

*When in Our Music God is Glorified*, vs. 1, 2, 3, 5

[Engelberg]

**Benediction**

Pastor Lisa Schrott

**Postlude**

*Rondo Passacaglia*

PCO Handbell Choir

Cynthia Dobrinski

*\* Please rise in body or spirit*

**Ushers:**

*Doug & Jane Paterson, Tom Schaberg, Keith Camann*

**Flowers:**

*The flowers beautifying the sanctuary today are from Steve Mayhew in celebration of Sarah Mayhew and 20 years of marriage.*

**Adult Ed:** Presbyterian 101: Our Reformed Heritage. Led by Pastor Lisa Schrott. Come learn more about how we were birthed as a denomination. What does it mean to say we are “reformed and always being reformed?”

**Next Week:** The PCO Associate Pastor Nominating Committee has selected a candidate for the position of Called and Installed Associate Pastor, pending the candidate's way be cleared from the Presbytery of Lake Michigan. The candidate is scheduled to preach and conduct much of the service on Sunday, June 12. Immediately following the service, the congregation will vote on whether or not to accept this candidate. You will be receiving a biography of the candidate via email this week. If you wish to receive a paper copy, please contact Anna in the church office at 349-9536 or [anna@okemospres.org](mailto:anna@okemospres.org). Copies of the information will also be available on Sunday.

The Call to Worship is adapted from a Pentecost liturgy at Enfleshed.  
<https://enfleshed.com/liturgy/pentecost-is-coming/>. The Prayer of Illumination is adapted from *Feasting on the Word. Worship Companion Year C*. Westminster John Knox Press, 2012.

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