

# Order of Worship

*Pentecost Sunday*

May 19, 2024 10:00 AM

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Welcome to this time of worship, as we gather in the name of Jesus Christ.

## Prelude

### Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Angel Ringers

*Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew  
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do*

## Welcome

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

## Greeting

Leader: In rushing wind and tongues of fire...

**People: the Church is born.**

Leader: In courage found and faith renewed...

**People: the Church gains strength.**

Leader: In visions seen and dreams made real...

**People: the Church blesses the world.**

Leader: In hopes rekindled and fears released...

**People: the Church leads the way.**

Leader: In rushing wind and tongues of fire...

**All: come, Holy Spirit, come!**

## Hymn

### Spirit of Faith, Come Down

UMH 332

## Prayer of Confession

Leader: We do not stop enough to listen to the still-speaking God.  
And like the people of Jerusalem long ago,  
we often misunderstand the Spirit's movement among us.  
In the silence and stillness of this moment,  
let us draw near to God and listen.

*[silence]*

Let us confess together:

We confess to you, Renewing Spirit,  
that we confuse unity with uniformity,  
and diversity with divisiveness.

**People: We speak and behave as if being a part of your family means assimilating others to our way of living. We deny and destroy the beauty you created in each person.**

Leader: We long to change these patterns, O Creator, but we do not know how.

**People: Teach us to value challenge. Help us to see strength in difference. And empower us to build your kingdom in creativity and love. Amen.**

### **Words of Assurance**

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Leader: Hear the good news!  
God's Spirit has been poured out upon all flesh,  
and we have been made one.  
We are no longer scattered or divided,  
but gathered together to build up the kingdom on this earth.  
Thanks be to God!

**People: Amen.**

### **Anthem**

**I'm Gonna Sing  
with Over My Head**  
Children's Choir

African-American Spirituals  
arr. Terry D. Taylor

### **Children's Message**

#### **Scripture**

**Acts 2:1-21**

Clarendon Ringers

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Sermon**

**A Grand Conspiracy**

Rev. Wines

### **Prayer of the People**

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

### **Offering**

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*You may text to give at 84321 or go to the Online Worship page of our website and click "Make your online offering."*

### **Sending Forth**

### **Hymn**

**Hymn of the Holy Spirit**

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