

HOLY SPIRIT

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Centenary United Methodist Church

2300 W. Friendly Ave., Greensboro, NC 27403

May 23, 2021 11:00 AM

Reverend Kelley Groce, Pastor Anita Trumpler-Rich, Director of Music

Prelude

For the Beauty of the Earth...Arr. Paul Taylor

Announcements for Missions and Ministry

Choral Call to worship *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

Leader: Come! Let us bless the Lord who commands the wind!

People: Come! Let us worship the Three-in-One who appoints fire and flame as messengers!

ALL: Come! Let us bless our great and glorious Maker, Giver of All Good Gifts!

Hymn *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.

(Refrain)

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.

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Pastoral Prayer and 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 and ever. Amen.**

Anthem *I'm Goin' to Sing When the Spirit Says Sing*

We Worship with our Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

Hymn *Spirit of Faith, Come Down* UMH 332, v. 1&4

1. Spirit of faith, come down, reveal the things of God,
and make to us the Godhead known, and witness
with the blood. 'Tis thine the blood to apply
and give us eyes to see, who did for every
sinner die hath surely died for me.

2. Inspire the living faith (which whosoe'er receive,
the witness in themselves they have and consciously
believe), the faith that conquers all,

and doth the mountain move, and saves whoe'er on
Jesus call, and perfects them in love.

Scripture: Acts 2: 1-21

Sermon: Pentecost Power

Responsive Pentecost Prayer:

Leader: God of rushing wind, coming from where it wants and going to where it wants,

People: pour out your Spirit upon us.

Leader: God of fire, flaring on gathered disciples and burning away their stubborn pride,

People: pour out your Spirit upon us.

Leader: God of miraculous speaking and hearing, amazing the faithful and riveting their
attention to what is about to happen,

People: pour out your Spirit upon us.

Leader: God of the young who see visions, of the old who dream dreams, of male prophets and
female prophets,

People: pour out your Spirit upon us.

Leader: God of wonders above the signs below, God of blood, fire and billowing smoke,

People: pour out your Spirit upon us.

Leader: You raised up Peter to prophesy on Pentecost, Peter to preach straight truth to a
crooked generation, Peter to accuse people he loved of complicity in the death of Jesus.

People: pour out your Spirit upon us.

Leader: God of wind and fire and tongues, God of visions and dreams and prophecies, God of
signs and wonders,

People: pour out your Spirit upon us.

Leader: You raised up Peter to preach Jesus to a skeptical audience, and with the two-edged
sword of Peter's word you cut through the armor of a crooked generation, you pricked their
hearts and saved them.

People: Great God, send your Spirit to save us too.

Leader: You sent your Spirit to assail hard hearts. You sent repentance and faith., baptism and
forgiveness, teaching and fellowship, communion, and prayer.

People: Great God, send your Spirit to save us too.

The Worship Sourcebook, Second Edition. (Grand Rapids, MI: Faith Alive Christian
Resources, 2013), 712-13.

Hymn

Spirit Song

UMH 347 v. 1&2

1. O let the Son of God enfold you with his
Spirit and his love. Let him fill your heart and
satisfy your soul. O let him have the things that
hold you, and his Spirit like a dove will descend

upon your life and make you whole.

(Refrain)

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

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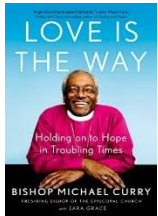
2. O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy. Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name. O give him all your tears and sadness; give him all your years of pain, and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

(Refrain)

Blessing and Benediction

Postlude

Air in G Major...Georg Handel



Today at 4-5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall, book discussion on the book **“Way of Love by” Michael Curry**. This will be in person and via zoom, contact Kelley with a link for zoom.

Memorial Day – The church office will be closed on Monday, May 31.

As you engage your ‘Prayer Life’ this week, please remember these prayer concerns:

If you have a prayer concern or praise, please contact the church office at 336-299-9643, or call Kelley at the parsonage. Let us know if the concern may be shared with the congregation.

Jeane Batten recovering from surgery. **Unspoken. Becki, needs special prayers diagnosed with lung cancer. Louise Woods**, Carolina Pines is now allowing visitors, Louise is in room 225 and would love to have visits. **Lori Johnson. Bobby Burkin**, is at home now and will be following up with his medical doctor. **Bianca York. Doris Pruitt. Nina Stowe, co-worker’s son, Malachi**, 9 months old with leukemia. . **Trudy Sillmon**, at home recovering from a fall and broken bones. **Keith Eller**, moved to Guilford Health Care Center for Rehab. **Abbie Samuel**, recovering from her second detached retina surgery. **Susan Carrick** with health issues. **Nancy Carrick** upcoming medical tests. **Edna Johnson. Don & Clara Ellis. Rachel Sheppard. Aly Saunders. Judy Milligan.**



Birthdays for May – Bianca York (24), Dylan Sillmon (25), Spencer Deuterman & Kathy Swing (27), Susan Roach (30)