



# First United Methodist Church of Torrance Online Church in Worship

May 28, 2023  
*Pentecost*

## PRELUDE - Hani

### Pastorale

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## WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP - Acts 2:1-4

Leader: "And when the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

**People: As we are gathered together in this place.**

Leader: "And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting."

**People: The Holy Spirit, fierce and playful, wild and free, the living, life-giving breath of God!**

Leader: "Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them."

**People: Setting our hearts aflame, filling us with a passion for Christ!**

Leader: "All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability."

**People: The song of the Spirit, overflowing into the world!**

## OPENING HYMN #2117 FWS *Spirit of God*

1. 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!

2. 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*

3. Spirit of God, bright hands,  
even in far-off lands  
you hold all the human race  
in one warm embrace.  
No matter where we go,  
you hold us together so,  
Held in your hands,  
borne on your wings.

*Refrain*

4. Spirit of God, bright Flame,  
send us in your holy name,  
the power to heal, to share  
your love everywhere.  
We cannot fail or fall,  
or know defeat at all,  
Held in your hands,  
borne on your wings.

*Refrain*

5. 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*

**Spirit of God**

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**PASTOR'S TIME WITH THE CHILDREN****HOLY COMMUNION, *The United Methodist Hymnal*, page 15**

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.***...The pastor concludes:*

And so,

with your people on earth

and all the company of heaven

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.****Hosanna in the highest.****Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.****Hosanna in the highest.***...The pastor concludes:*

And so,

in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving

as a holy and living sacrifice,

in union with Christ's offering for us,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died;****Christ is risen;****Christ will come again.**

All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.  
now and for ever.

Amen.

### **JOYS AND CONCERNS / PASTORAL PRAYER / 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, the power, and glory forever. Amen.

### **OFFERING**

For those who are called and able, gifts and tithes can still be made through [online giving](#), by mailing them in, and by dropping them off to the church office through the secure mail slot to the left of the double door entry to the church hallway.

### **OFFERTORY MUSIC - Hani**

**America, the Beautiful**

Samuel A. Ward | Arr. Fred Bock

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### **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow (Old 100th)**

Louis Bourgeois | Thomas Ken

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### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

God of wind, word, and fire, we bless your name this day for sending the light and strength of your Holy Spirit. We give you thanks for all the gifts, great and small, that you have poured out on your children. Accept us with our gifts to be living praise and witness to your love throughout the earth; through Jesus Christ, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE** Acts 2:5–21 (NRSV)

5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. 7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9 Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” 13 But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

*Response*

The Word of the Lord:

**Thanks be to God.****Anthem – Chancel Choir****Seek Ye First**

Karen Lafferty | Arr. Douglas Wagner

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**SCRIPTURE** 1 Corinthians 12:3b–13 (NRSV)

3b No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

12 For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. 13 For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

*Response*

The Word of the Lord:  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** – Rev. Lee A. Carlile*Spirit Gifts***CLOSING HYMN #620** *One Bread, One Body***Refrain**

One bread, one body,  
one Lord of all,  
one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many  
throughout the earth,  
we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew,  
servant or free,  
woman or man, no more.

**Refrain**

2. Many the gifts,  
many the works,  
one in the Lord of all.

**Refrain**

3. Grain for the fields,  
scattered and grown,  
gathered to one, for all.

**Refrain****One Bread, One Body**

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**BENEDICTION**

## POSTLUDE - Hani

### March

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