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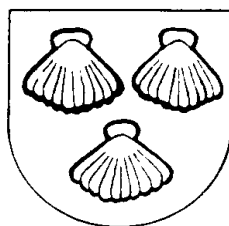
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9:30 am

**“Transformational Pentecost”
Pentecost Sunday**

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🔑 **Gathering At the Gate** 🔑

Prelude "Come Holy Spirit" Dietrich Buxtehude *Offered by Clarice Snyder*
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Welcome *Donna Benson CLS*

The Collective Story of Resurrection *Mary Anne Espenshade*
A Dramatic Reading – based on Acts 2: 1-21

Leader: But Peter reminded them of the words of the prophet Joel:
"I will pour out my spirit on all people!"

**All: We believe the Spirit will revive us
and we will dream dreams again
and envision a better world for all people.**

Leader: This is a Word of Hope for the people who long for it.
All: Thanks be to the Living Word.

***Opening Hymn** "Spirit of God" *TFWS 2117*

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.
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.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come.

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.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come.

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.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come.

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.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come.

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The Key to Transformation

Mary Anne Espenshade

In the name of Jesus Christ, you can be transformed.
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🔑 Proclaiming Transformation 🔑

"Halle, Halle"
Halle, halle, halle-luya!
Halle, halle, halle-luya!
Halle, halle, halle-luya!
Halle-luya, halle-luya!

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Children's Time

New Life Happens

Donna Benson

Scripture

Romans 12: 1-16

Mary Anne Espenshade

Hymn

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

UMH 404

Refrain

Every time I feel the spirit
moving in my heart, I will pray.
Yes, every time I feel the spirit
moving in my heart, I will pray.

1. Upon the mountain, my Lord spoke,
out his mouth came fire and smile.
All around me looks so shine,
ask my Lord if all was mine.

Refrain

2. Jordan river runs right cold,
chills the body, not the soul.
Ain't but one train on this track,
runs to heaven and right back.

Refrain

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Message

"Transformational Pentecost"

Donna Benson, CLS

🔑 Responding to Transformation 🔑

Prayer for God's People, Church, & World

Mary Anne Espenshade

Response: Hear us, O God, your mercy is great.

Lord's Prayer

Offering

*Doxology

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God All creatures here below

Alleluia alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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Offering Prayer

🔑 Unlocking Transformation 🔑

*Closing Hymn

“Hymn of Promise”

UMH 707

1. In the bulb there is a flower
In the seed an apple tree
In cocoons a hidden promise
Butterflies will soon be free
In the cold and snow of winter
There's a spring that waits to be
Unrevealed until its season
Something God alone can see

2. There's a song in every silence
Seeking word and melody
There's a dawn in every darkness
Bringing hope to you and me
From the past will come the future
What it holds a mystery
Unrevealed until its season
Something God alone can see

3. In our end is our beginning
In our time infinity
In our doubt there is believing
In our life eternity
In our death a resurrection
At the last a victory
Unrevealed until its season
Something God alone can see

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Benediction

Donna Benson, CLS

“I Love to Tell the Story”
**The Savior of our stories has brought his peace to you;
now go and tell the story, for others need it too.
To ev'ry one who's hurting ring out the gospel call;
proclaim that Christ is risen and grants his peace to all.**

**I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**

Postlude

"Trumpet Dialogue" Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

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Questions for Reflection

In this coming week consider how many ways and through which persons you are shown a new path for your life. Watch for startling nudges or sudden epiphanies; listen for sighs that signal letting go of something pressing so that you can hear the Spirit's guidance.
What have you learned? How can you give thanks?

Household Prayer: Morning

God of newness and delight,
you greet your world again with light and life.
I awaken to your presence behind, before, beneath, above, and within me.
I thank you for another day
and ask only that you keep me so firmly in your care
that I can move gracefully through all I have to do.
Guard my family, my friends, and all my brothers and sisters in faith.
Let me be a peacemaker today; in Jesus' name. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Good and Holy One, you have led me through this day of many encounters
to the time when I may close my eyes and dream.
I thank you for the people you have sent my way today, for the work I have had to do,
for the food, shelter, and safety you have given.
I pray that people everywhere may have all necessary comfort and nourishment
and that I may lie down in peace, resting in the trust that you are watching over all creation.
I pray this in the name of the One who made Earth, called the children to come,
and blows through our days with wisdom. Amen.

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