

# Service for the Lord's Day

Day of Pentecost

May 28, 2023

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## Preparing to Hear God's Word

Prelude

*Veni creator spiritus*

Nicolas de Grigny

Welcome

### ◆ Call to Worship

Psalm 104:24-34

*O Lord, how manifold are your works!  
In wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.*

**Yonder is the sea, great and wide,  
creeping things innumerable are there,  
living things both small and great.**

*There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.  
These all look to you to give them their food in due season;*

**when you give to them, they gather it up;  
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.**

**When you hide your face, they are dismayed;  
when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

*When you send forth your spirit, they are created;  
and you renew the face of the ground.*

**May the glory of the Lord endure forever;  
may the Lord rejoice in [God's] works—  
who looks on the earth and it trembles,  
who touches the mountains and they smoke.**

*I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.*

**May my meditation be pleasing to [God],  
for I rejoice in the Lord.**

*Let us worship God!*

### ◆ Hymn 66

**Every Time I Feel the Spirit**

PENTECOST

Verses 1 & 2 sung by soloist, Refrain sung by all

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Spirit of wind and flame, you set us free from the prisons of our own making, yet we cling to the fears of the past that keep us behind bars. Source of living water, you draw us to Christ, yet we shun the invitation and hold back. Come once more to us, we pray, in rushing wind and cleansing fire, that we may embrace your gifts in service to a world in need. Let our hearts overflow with living water.**

Silent Prayers

Sung Response

Glory to God hymnal no. 288

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Hear the good news! In baptism you were buried with Christ. In baptism also you were raised to life with him, through faith in the power of God who raised Christ from the dead. If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God. Amen.***

◆ Sung Response

Hymnal Supplement no. 22

**All glory be to God on high, and peace on earth from heaven,  
And God's good will unfailingly be to all people given.  
We bless, we worship You, we raise  
For Your great glory thanks and praise,  
O God, the great Creator.**

## God's Word to Us

A Time with Children and Youth

Sung Prayer for Illumination

*Listen to the word that God has spoken; listen to the One who is close at hand;  
listen to the voice that began creation; listen even if you don't understand.*

First Reading

Numbers 11:24-30

OT p. 125

Nadine Roddy

Second Reading

John 7:37-39

NT p. 94

Anthem

*Come Down, O Love Divine*

Elena Santangelo

[the text can be found at no. 282 in the Glory to God hymnal]

Sermon

Hearts with Flowing Rivers of Living Waters

Jewell-Ann Parton

## Responding to God's Word

◆ Affirmation of Faith

from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**In life and death we belong to God.  
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.  
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,  
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,  
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,  
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,  
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.  
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,  
Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.  
God raised Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.**

◆ Hymn 279 **Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove** ST. AGNES

Prayers of the Congregation 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 debts  
as we forgive our debtors,  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

The Offering

Offertory *Spirit of God* Fred Gramann  
[the text can be found at no. 688 in the Glory to God hymnal]  
Dana Patek, soprano

◆ Presentation of the Offering GTG 607  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

◆ Presentation of Dedication  
**On this day of Pentecost, we leave the safety of our hideouts  
and open our hearts to our fellow creatures. May these gifts bring dreams  
and visions to a world in need of hope and direction. Amen.**

◆ Hymn 286 **Breathe on Me, Breath of God** TRENTHAM  
During the hymn, the congregation is invited to respond  
by bringing forward our Presbytery Hunger Offering for hunger relief work.

- ◆ Charge and Benediction
- ◆ Passing of the Peace  
*May the peace of Christ be with you.*  
**And also with you.**

Postlude

*Dialogue sur les grands jeux*

Nicolas de Grigny

- ◆ Please stand, as you are able.

*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Carol and Dave Hogg, in celebration of their wedding anniversary.*

## What's Happening

*at Westminster*

### **Sunday, May 28**

*Day of Pentecost*

10 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

### **Monday, May 29**

*Church Office Closed*

### **Thursday, June 1**

2 p.m. Memorial Service in the Sanctuary for Kathy Stacy followed by a Reception in the Fellowship Hall

### **Friday, June 2**

7 p.m. Westminster Softball Game at Darden Towe Park 1

### **Sunday, June 4**

10 a.m. Worship in the Courtyard: This celebratory service will include communion and recognition of graduates. A congregational potluck lunch on the lawn and a bounce house for kids of all ages will follow the service. The church will provide the main dish and dessert. The congregation is encouraged to bring a side dish to share.

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# 66 Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Refrain

Ev - ery time I feel the Spir - it mov - ing in my

heart I will pray. Yes, ev - ery time I feel the

Spir - it mov - ing in my heart I will pray.

*Fine*

1 Up - on the moun - tain, when my Lord spoke, out of God's

2 Jor - dan Riv - er, chil - ly and cold, it chills the

mouth came fire and smoke. Looked all a - round me, it looked so

bod - y but not the soul. There is but one train up - on this

*to Refrain*

fine, till I asked my Lord if all was mine.

track. It runs to heav - en and then right back.

Like many African American spirituals, this one mixes the language of biblical narrative with veiled but effective allusions to the hope of escape from slavery, either by crossing rivers into free states or by participating in organized efforts like the Underground Railroad.

## Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove 279

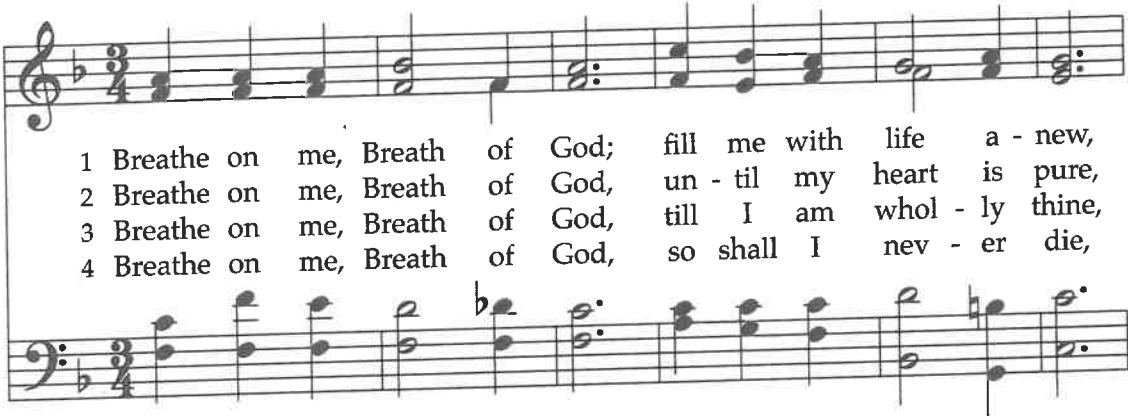
1 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, heaven - ly Dove,  
 2 In vain we tune our for - mal songs;  
 3 Dear Lord, and shall we ev - er live  
 4 Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, heaven - ly Dove,

with all thy quick - ening powers; kin - dle a flame of  
 in vain we strive to rise; ho - san - nas lan - guish  
 at this poor dy - ing rate? Our love so faint, so  
 with all thy quick - ening powers; come, shed a - broad a

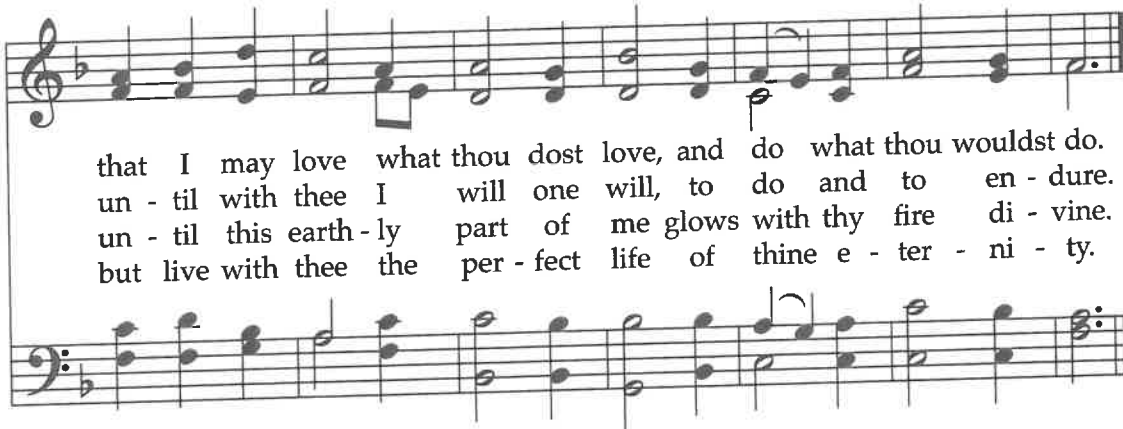
sa - cred love in these cold hearts of ours.  
 on our tongues, and our de - vo - tion dies.  
 cold to thee, and thine to us so great!  
 Sav - ior's love, and that shall kin - dle ours.

In contrast with many hymns to the Holy Spirit, this one is notable for being in the plural, a valuable reminder that the Holy Spirit has been bestowed on the whole Church, not just on a few individuals. The tune was composed for "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" (no. 629).

## Breathe on Me, Breath of God 286



1 Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life a - new,  
2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,  
3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,  
4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,



that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.  
un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.  
un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.  
but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

In both Hebrew and Greek, the words for "spirit" can equally well be translated as "breath" or "wind," so it is very appropriate to address the Holy Spirit as the "Breath of God." This tune by an English organist has become the customary one in North American hymnals.