

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Order of Service for the Worship of God

June 4, 2017

The Day of Pentecost

10:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Carolyn Wallace

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *The Lord Is In His Holy Temple* Chancel Choir

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Job 32: 9, 8; 33:4; Romans 5:5b

L: It is not the old who are wise, nor the aged who understand what is right. ^{Jb. 32:9}

P: But it is the Spirit within a person, the breath of the Almighty, that makes them understand. ^{Jb. 32:8}

L: The Spirit of God has made me, and the breath of the Almighty gives me life. ^{Jb. 33:4}

P: God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, which has been given to us. ^{Rom. 5:5b}

***UNISON OPENING PRAYER** ~ From the PC(USA) *Book of Common Worship*

Eternal God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – on the day of Pentecost, you sent your Holy Spirit upon believers, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel. Empower us with that same Spirit to witness to your redeeming love, and by our witness to draw all people to you, we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN** *Holy God, We Praise Thy Name* #2

RESPONSIVE CALL TO CONFESSION ~ Psalm 51: 1-3, 10-12

L: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

P: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION ~ From PC(USA) *Book of Common Worship*

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples, creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace to ourselves and others, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. We fear being ridiculed or shamed if we display the work of the Holy Spirit. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Holy Spirit, and fill us with the burning desire to be your faithful people, praising and thanking you in all circumstances, and doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Silent prayer and personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON ~ 1 Timothy 1:15a-b; 1 Peter 2:24

L: The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

P: He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin, and live to righteousness. By his wounds [we] have been healed.

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI** #813

ANTHEM *Fall on Me* Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S LESSON ~ *Children through 5th grade may go to Junior Church afterward*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

1st OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Genesis 1: 1-2 ~ Page 1 in the pew Bible

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and was void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep; and the Spirit of God was moving over the face of the waters.

2nd OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Numbers 11:16-17, 24-30 ~ pp. 124-125 in pew Bible

And the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; and bring them to the tent of meeting, and let them take their stand there with you. And I will come down and talk with you there; and I will take some of the Spirit which is upon you and put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, that you may not bear it yourself alone.

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people, and placed them round about the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the Spirit that was upon Moses and put it upon the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested upon them, they prophesied; but they did so no more. Now two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad and the other named Medad, and the Spirit rested upon them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' aide and one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, forbid them." But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the LORD's people were prophets, that the LORD would put his Spirit upon them!" And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

1st GOSPEL LESSON ~ John 7: 37-39 ~ Page 930 in the pew Bible

On the last day of the feast [of Tabernacles, which commemorates the Exodus, during which God gave the thirsting Israelites clean, pure water from a rock], the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If anyone thirsts, let them come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of their heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

2nd GOSPEL LESSON ~ John 20: 19-23 ~ Page 945 in the pew Bible

On the evening of that day [Easter, the Day of Resurrection], the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

L: This is the word of the Lord;

P: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "The Day of Pentecost" Rev. Frank Wyche

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of hymnal

*HYMN *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* #390

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #815

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*HYMN *Descend, O Holy Spirit* #395

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL CLOSE *God Be With You* Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE Carolyn Wallace

*Those who are able may stand.

BOLDFACE TYPE indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

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John 20:22

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