



Pentecost  
June 8, 2025



**University Presbyterian Church**

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*Whether you are worshiping in the sanctuary or online, at any time in the course of the service, you are invited to light a candle signifying a concern, a desire for healing, a confession, or a prayer of thanksgiving that, though private, you would like to remember in the midst of our worship.*

*Please speak aloud the bold portions of the liturgy in the bulletin.  
The asterisk \* is an invitation for worshipers to rise in body or spirit as able.*

GATHERING TOGETHER

PRELUDE

*Toccata on "Kirken"  
Gordon young  
Hope publishing 1980*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

Mamie Broadhurst

INTROIT

*Come, O Spirit, Swell Among Us  
Janie Alford  
Hope Publishing, 1979*

*Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; give us words of fire and flame.  
Help our feeble lips to praise you, glorify your holy name.  
God, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One: what mystery!  
We would sing our loud hosannas now and through eternity.*

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

Today is the birthday of the church.

**We come to celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit!**

We come to open ourselves to God's Spirit this day,  
**so that we might be able to do it better every day.**

Friends let us turn our hearts and minds to worship.

**God, teach us to be your church and your people.**

HYMN No. 289

***On Pentecost They Gathered***

CALL TO CONFESSION

Peggy Carroll

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**God of wind and flame,  
you pour out your Spirit on all your children,  
empowering the least and the lofty to tell of your mighty deeds.  
We hear the sound and feel the heat,  
but instead of recognizing your presence among us,  
we refuse to believe you might speak  
through people we would not choose to proclaim your message.  
Forgive us for attempting to limit your Spirit.**

## A TIME OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

**Silence our cynicism and possess us with your grace.  
Make us your witnesses, to the ends of the earth.  
Count us among those who break down dividing walls between people  
and relish the new community made possible  
through the life and love of Jesus Christ.  
Come, Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (*responsive*)

God is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in love. God does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's love for us all.

Friends, believe the good news, through Jesus Christ we are forgiven!  
**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## \*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

*adapted from Hymn 439*

**God forgives all our transgressions, all our failings gently clears.  
God redeems us with compassion, and with us so kindly deals.**

## WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Acts 2:14-21

## SERMON

Mamie Broadhurst

WE RESPOND WITH DEDICATION

\*HYMN No. 280

**Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Beth Paskoff

**Our Mother and Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.  
Amen.**

OFFERING of GIFTS

*Reflect on your response to the work of Christ in the world today, and  
consider making a commitment of time, talents, and resources.  
If you choose to contribute to the work of Christ through UPC at this time,  
on-line giving is available. See the announcements for more information.*

INVITATION

ANTHEM

**O Love Divine**

*Music by Benedetto Marcello  
ed. Douglas Wagner  
Shawnee Press, Inc., 1981*

*Come down, O love, divine.  
Seek now this soul of mine.  
O comforter draw near;  
within my heart appear;  
and kindle it with Your own ardor glowing;  
and kindle it, Your holy flame bestowing.  
For none can guess its grace,  
till we become the place  
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.*

\*DOXOLOGY

*Old Hundredth*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*COMMISSIONING and  
PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*unison*)

Jerry Trahan

**Gracious God,  
your Spirit rests upon us  
and drives us out to proclaim your good news.  
Grant us your vision and make your dreams our own.  
We are humbled and awed by your trust in us.  
Take these gifts of time, talent, and treasure,  
as a symbol of our gratitude.  
Bless them and bless these travelers  
so that your mighty deeds  
might be celebrated throughout the world.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

\*HYMN No. 291

***Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness***

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

\*CHARGE (*responsive*)

Go with God.

**Alleluia! And Amen!**

POSTLUDE

*Postlude on "Ebenezer"*

*Gordon Young*

*Hope Publishing 1980*

*Many thanks to Nora Broadhurst Williams and Sadie Knapp  
for their work live-streaming the service this morning.*



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