

*June 5, 2022*

*Our PCAS Vision: "To be a Light by Living, Loving, Learning,  
and Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ."*

*Order of Worship*

*(\*Please rise in body and/or spirit)*

Welcome and Announcements

Minute For Mission: Worship Committee

Candle lighting

Prelude Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

Velame

\*Call to Worship

Leader #1: Like the murmur of the dove's song,  
like the challenge of her flight,  
like the vigor of the wind's rush,  
like the new flame's eager might:

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Leader #1: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Leader #2: To the members of Christ's body,  
to the branches of the Vine,  
to the church in faith assembled,  
to our midst as gift and sign:

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Leader #2 : Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Leader #3: With the healing of division,  
with the ceaseless voice at prayer,  
with the power to love and witness,  
with the peace beyond compare:

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Leader #3: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

\*Hymn #280 Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; come with Pentecostal power;  
give the church a stronger vision; help us face each crucial hour.  
Built upon a firm foundation, Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,  
still the church is called to mission that God's love shall be made known

We would raise our alleluias for the grace of yesteryears;  
for tomorrow's unknown pathway, hear, O Lord, our humble prayers.

In the church's pilgrim journey you have led us all the way;  
still in presence move before us, fire by night and cloud by day.

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

### Call to Confession

Leader: The promise of Pentecost lies in the relentless, irresistible activity of God whose Spirit comes among us with power and grace. God refuses to leave us alone, but rather keeps showing up with mercy and love. In confidence, let us confess our sin.

### Prayer of Confession (**unison**)

**God of fire and wind,  
holy and powerful,  
mighty and mysterious,  
we are drawn by your Spirit to this place.  
As we gather and behold your glory,  
we become aware of our sin.  
We have ignored your word.  
We have rejected your gifts.  
We have failed in your work.  
Ignoring the truth of Pentecost,  
we exclude those different from us.  
We divide our loyalties,  
and we divide our hearts.  
Let your Spirit burn away our sins  
and fill us with faith and courage,  
so that we might live into the promise of this day  
and receive the fullness  
of all that you have prepared for us in Jesus Christ.**

## Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The Holy Spirit animates our lives, lifting us into the presence of Christ, and sealing our hearts in the promise of his faithful love. This is good news!

**People: Praise be to God.**

## Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson          John 14:8-17

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks Be to God!**

## Children's Message

## Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Leader: We are told in Romans 8:26 that the Spirit helps us in our weakness, and intercedes for us “with groanings too deep for words”. We are assured that our God who searches our hearts, “knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints, according to the will of God”. So today, we especially seek the intercession of the Holy Spirit, and would ask each person seeking prayer, when called upon, to stand if they are able, and offer one word, (reflecting a name or a need), and remain standing. Then Pastor Katja will individually invite those on Zoom to do the same. Then we will seek together the intercession of the Holy Spirit on our behalf, and our Minister of music and Brother, Marcello will offer the Lord's prayer over us in the Portuguese language.

## The Lord's Prayer : Prayed over us in Portuguese

## \*Passing of the Peace

Second Scripture Lesson          Acts 2:1-12

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks Be to God!**

Sermon          “What if God Gets Out?”

Offering

Offertory We are Marching in the Light of God  
South Africa Chancel Choir

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

*We recognize today our Per Capita giving which enables us to be 8,813 churches, 241 worshiping communities, and 107 new church developments with 1.2 million members in mission together.*

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Leader: God, who moved over the deep in a holy breath,

**People: Come to us this day - Pentecost.  
Arrive in the wind. [The people are invited to wave their streamers]**

Leader: God, who spoke in a bush that was burned but not consumed,

**People: Come to us this day - Pentecost.  
Arrive in a holy flame. [The people are invited to wave their streamers]**

Leader: God, who is present each time we gather at the table,

**People: Come to us this day - Pentecost.  
Arrive in bread and cup, conversation and connection.**

*The communion elements are now brought to the table*

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit.  
Set us aflame, but do not consume us.  
Fill us with holy nourishment.

**People: We have arrived this day - Pentecost.  
We have come to worship.  
[People wave streamers]**

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

## Sharing of the Elements

*You are invited to come to the table to receive the bread and cup. Deacons will serve those needing to be served at their seats.*

Prayer After Communion (unison)

**Through your gifts, O Lord, we have received your promise, presence, and power. It only takes a spark to get a fire going. May this be the spark.**

Hymn 289      On Pentecost They Gathered

*People are invited to wave their streamers in celebration*

On Pentecost they gathered quite early in the day,  
a band of Christ's disciples, to worship, sing, and pray.  
A mighty wind came blowing, filled all the swirling air,  
and tongues of fire a-glowing inspired each person there.

The people all around them were startled and amazed  
to understand their language, as Christ the Lord they praised.  
What universal message, what great good news was here?  
That Christ, once dead, is risen to vanquish all our fear.

God pours the Holy Spirit on all who would believe, on women, men, and  
children who would God's grace receive.  
That Spirit knows no limit, bestowing life and power. The Church, formed  
and reforming, responds in every hour.

O Spirit, sent from heaven on that day long ago, rekindle faith among  
us in all life's ebb and flow. O give us ears to listen and tongues  
a-flame with praise, so folk of every nation glad songs of joy shall raise

**\*\*Benediction**

Postlude

*Credits: Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon, from Call to Worship, a publication of the PCUSA Office of Theology and Worship, and the official journal of The Presbyterian Association of Musicians*

## **Announcements**

Join us June 12th for Women's Sunday. We welcome the leadership of the Presbyterian Women and guest preacher, Rev Molly Ramsey

### **Worship Leaders**

Liturgist:	Joyce Davies George Kustka Patricia Apy Bob Suarez
Ushers:	Team D
Zoom Host:	Rich Vodhanel
Organ and Piano:	Marcello Velame
Video Editing:	Rich Vodhanel
Coffee Hour:	Worship

### **Church Staff**

Pastor:	Rev. Katja Gruening
Director of Music Ministries:	Marcello Velame
Sexton:	Douglas Silk
Office Administrator	Diane Suarez