

WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Coming of the Holy Spirit *Acts 2:1-12* **Pew Bible, NT, p. 119**

Gathering Prayer - Potawatomi Prayer by Ralph Bazhaw

N’Wi Madmo Ahaw Mamagosnan.
Migwetch ode mno gishget.
Migwetch jak she gego ga gishtoyan.
Migwetch Kshammedo ode mno bmadzewen.
Igwien eh-gee-mingi-men gug wis Jesus
Kowabmeshnak ndenwenmagnedok.
Kowabmeshnak nmezodanek mawjeshnowat ode jo pi.
Nishokmeshnak mine nazoyok emawjeshnoyak
Shwendagwzen nodegi gi keyajek mine penojeyek
Ndosaskkemen gode mno pabmadzeyak pich zhitatoyak giwejak.
IW (eoh)

Translation:

I am going to pray Creator God; Father of us all,
Thank you for this good day.
Thank you for all that you have created.
Thank you, Great Spirit, for this good life/good health.
From the depths of our heart we thank you for giving us your son, Jesus
Watch over all our relations
Watch over our family as we gather here at this time
Help us and bless those of us gathered here.
Bless these elders and these children
We ask for safe travel once we get ready to go home, Amen.

***Gathering Music #408 “There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit”** *Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

There’s a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place
And I know that it’s the Spirit of the Lord;
There are sweet expressions on each face,
And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
Stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
Without a doubt we’ll know that we have been revived
When we shall leave this place.

***Call to Worship**

Leader: In the last days, when great wonders will occur, says God,

People: I will pour out my spirit on all people.

Leader: On the very first Pentecost, to begin my church, says God,

People: I will pour out my spirit on all people.

Leader: On this Pentecost, in this very church, says God,

People: I will pour out my spirit on all people.

Leader: Your Spirit is here among us, O God.

May we feel the spark of her fire, the rush of her wind.

**People: May our visions and dreams be of justice and mercy for all
your creation; May we prophesy to your vision of a new heaven
and a new earth.**

Leader: Remove our anxious nerves that prevent our calling out your name.

**People: Come, Holy Spirit, come! May you pour out your peace on all
your people!**

***Hymn of Praise #289 “On Pentecost They Gathered”** *Munich*

Prayer of Confession

Leader: The wind blows and we hear the sound of it, but we do not know
where it comes from.

**People: We try to explain it away, but even our own breath speaks of
new things we cannot understand.**

Leader: We may be together in one place, but we do not speak with one voice,
we do not listen with one heart.

**People: We hear, and dismiss, your deeds of power, your call to love those
who are different, your insistence that the whole world be included.
You pour out your Spirit, and we squash the vision—it is too big, too
unrealistic, too uncertain, too unruly. You send visions of a future
with hope, and we look back instead. You light the way, and we look
for a fire extinguisher, trying to keep ourselves (and you!) safe.
Forgive us, O God. We long for your new life, but we do not
know how to live it.**

Silent prayer for personal confession

Leader: Rush into this place again, and fill every nook and cranny with dreams
and visions of possibility.

**People: Turn our hushed whispers into proclamations of your grace, in
every language of the world. Lead us out into your future. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: This is the promise: “I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh—young and
old, men and women, rich and poor—and all people will see.” This
promise is for you, and for us. No matter who we are or where we have
been, the Spirit of the Living God falls fresh, with mercies new every
morning. Know that you are forgiven, and let the Spirit speak
through you!

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please turn to your neighbor and exchange the greeting of peace.

Prayer Response #288 “Spirit of the Living God” *Living God*

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.

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

The Word Spoken

In the beginning was the Word

And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The Word in Twi *John 1:1-5* by Solomon Oppong-Agyare

Peter Preaches to the Crowd - Acts 2:12-21 **Pew Bible, NT, p. 119**

“The Day When God Made the Church” by Rebekah McLeod Hutto

Anthem “At The Cross” by Darlene Zschech & Reuben Morgan

The Word Declared “What Does All This Mean?” Rev. Karen Ware Jackson

Anthem “How Great Thou Art” by the Swahili Choir

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Visual Prayer for Pentecost

***Hymn of Response # 315 “In the Midst of New Dimensions”** *New Dimensions*

Prayers of the People 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.**

Offertory “Imagine” by John Lennon

***Doxology #591 “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”** *Halle, Halle*
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

*Prayer of Dedication

***Closing Hymn #292 “As the Wind Song”** *Wairua Tapu*

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

** Please rise in body or spirit*

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

May Elders of the Month: Graham Pope and Larry Jones
Calendar for May 15 - 22

Today:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship
	12:00 P.M.	Swahili-English Service
Monday:	11:15 A.M.	Staff Meeting
Wednesday:	2:00 P.M.	Mission Group
	6:30 P.M.	English Choir Practice
Thursday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Friday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Saturday:	10:00 A.M.	Swahili Choir Practice and Prayer
Sunday:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship
	3:00 P.M.	Swahili-English Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Beginning in June, our worship service will be held at 10 a.m.** This will be our worship time for the months of June, July, and August.
- Please join us at 3:00 p.m. each Sunday, for the **Swahili-English service** at Faith Presbyterian, led by Prince Mundeke Mushunju!
- You're invited! Create Worship and Wonder, May 23 – 25, 2016. **"Seasons of the Spirit" Curriculum Development Event.** Join us as we delve into the texts for Lent and Easter 2018 and inspire intergenerational worship and education.
Monday, May 23: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 24: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 25: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Come for one or all of the sessions! Childcare available upon request. Lunch and snacks provided.

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WELCOME TO FAITH PRESBYTERIAN



We embrace inter-generational worship and welcome the giggles, questions, tears, and even shouts that enliven our oh-so-orderly service. We do have a **professionally staffed nursery** available for babies and toddlers, but we encourage our youngest members to learn with and from us throughout the worship service.

There is a **"PrayGround"** available for children and adults at the front of the sanctuary. Feel free to join our young people in their interactive worship activities! **These experiences are great for active learners of all ages, and our children and their parents appreciate your engagement and support.**

We want to be a true family of faith and that means celebrating the gifts, questions, and talents of each of our members from young in age to young at heart!

May 15, 2016
11:00 A.M.

Service for the Lord's Day
Day of Pentecost

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