

June 5, 2022  
Pentecost Sunday

*~Gathering Together ~*

Prelude "Spirit of the Living God" Thygerson

Welcome

Missions & Ministries

Invocation

Choral Introit "Let Your Spirit Come"

Let your Spirit come, let your Spirit come; fall upon me now, fall upon me now.  
Let your spirit come, let your Spirit come; fall upon us now, fall upon us now.  
Let your rain fall down, let your rain fall down; pour upon our souls, pour upon our souls.  
Come and wash us now, come and wash us now;  
come and make us whole, come and make us whole.  
Let your Spirit come, let your Spirit come; fall upon me now, fall upon me now.  
Let your spirit come, let your Spirit come; fall upon us now, fall upon us now.

Call to Worship

Pastor: Most Holy God, we give you thanks that you are among us.

**People: We thank you for the gift of your creation;**

Pastor: for the gift of friends and family;

**People: for the gift of stories;**

Pastor: for the gifts of learning and knowledge;

**People: for the gifts of question and doubt;**

Pastor: for the fire of enthusiasm;

**People: for the wind of reason.**

Pastor: For all we understand, for all that remains a mystery, for your loving presence  
in and through it all,

**People: we give you thanks.**

Opening Hymn "Let Every Christian Pray" NCH # 261

Let every Christian pray, this day, and every day,  
come, Holy Spirit, come! Was not the Church we love  
commissioned from above? Come, Holy Spirit, come!

The Spirit brought to birth the church of Christ on earth  
to seek and save the lost: God never has withdrawn,  
since that tremendous dawn, the gifts of Pentecost.

Only the Spirit's power can fit us for this hour:  
come, Holy Spirit, come! Unite, instruct, inspire  
and fill us with your fire: come Holy Spirit, come!

~ *Coming Alive in Community* ~

Call to Confession

Let us come with confidence and humility to our time of confession.

Prayer of Confession

Pastor: God, Spirit, call each of us.

**People: But we are often reluctant to heed the call. The wind of your Spirit blows, at times fiercely, and draws us onward. Yet we cling to the fragile familiarities, to securities, and to safety. Help us to risk letting go, stand free as your servant people. Help us to capture visions of the future, so that we can joyfully and boldly be the body of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

*Silence for Prayer and Reflection*

Assurance of Forgiveness

God is merciful and gracious; slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Hear the good news: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven and set free.

Special Music

“Open Your Heart’s Door”

Chancel Choir

Ron Cadmus/Dan Wolgemuth; © 2001 First Run Muzik Psalter (ASCAP)

~ *We Hear God’s Word* ~

Scripture Lessons

The Old Testament Reading: Genesis 11:1-9

Dan Wolgemuth

The Reading of Psalm 104:24-34

The Epistle Reading: Acts 2:1-21

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Suzanne M. Spaulding

Hymn for Reflection

“O Spirit of the Living God”

NCH # 263

O Spirit of the living God, pure Light and Fire Divine:  
burn brightly in your church once more, its life and faith refine,  
Fill it with love and joy and power, with righteousness and peace;  
till Christ shall dwell in human hearts, and sin and sorrow cease.

Blow, Wind of God! With wisdom blow, disperse and put to flight  
the mists of error, clouds of doubt, which hide you from our sight..  
Burn, Winged Fire! Inspire our lips, renew in us your call to preach  
with zeal your great good news: God's love extends to all.

Teach us to utter living words of truth which all may hear,  
the language all can understand when love speaks loud and clear;  
Till every nation, age and race shall blend their creeds in one,  
and all together use their gifts to see your will is done.

So shall we know the power of Christ, the strength of love to save,  
so shall we rise with Christ to life which soars beyond the grave;

And earth shall win true holiness, which makes your children whole;  
And draws us on by grace to reach creation's glorious goal!

~ *Sharing Blessings With Others* ~

Prayers of the People

The Prayer of Our Savior

Minister: Let us pray as Christ our Savior has taught us.

**All: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Offering our Gifts - Thank you for your faithful support of Shenkel's ongoing ministries  
*Coventry Food Pantry- The Pantry is located on the lower level of the North Coventry Township building and is a provider for the Emergency Food Assistance Program for Northern Chester County. Established over 30 years ago, it assists area residents from all municipalities in the Owen J. Roberts School District including South Coventry Township.*

Offering Response

“Doxology”

NCH # 778

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.

Prayer of Dedication

~ *Holy Communion* ~

Invitation

Pastor: Beloved in Christ, the Gospel tells us that on the first day of the week, Jesus Christ was raised from death, appeared to Mary Magdalene, on that same day sat at the table with two disciples, and was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

**People: This is the joyful feast of the people of God. Men and women, youth and children, come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and gather at Christ's table.**

Pastor: This table is for all Christians who wish to know the presence of Christ and to share in the community of God's people.

Communion Prayer

Minister: God be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to God.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to God Most High.

**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Pastor: We give you thanks, God.....we praise you with joy.

**All: Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God Most High. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God! Hosanna in the highest!**

Pastor: We remember that on the night..... mystery of our faith.

**All: Christ's death, O God, we proclaim. Christ's resurrection we declare.  
Christ's coming we await. Glory be to you, O God.**

Pastor: Eternal God, we unite in this covenant of faith..... able to make all things new.

**All: Be present with us as we share this meal, and throughout all our lives, that we may know you as the Holy One, who with Christ and the Holy Spirit, lives forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread, The Pouring of the Cup

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister: Let us pray.

**All: Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*~ Going out in Joy ~*

Sending Hymn

"Come, Share the Spirit"

NCH # 62

Come, share the Spirit, moving among us, weaving in and through this place;  
breaking down the walls that split and divide, bringing wholeness to embrace.  
Come, Living Spirit, bloom in our hearts as when the dessert bursts with life;  
take thirsty souls, fill them with your love, and remove all greed and strife.

Come, Rushing Waters, let justice roll like an everflowing stream;  
Till the poor find strength as they hear the good news, and the rich adopt new dreams.

Come, Blazing Fire, anoint our tongues with the messages of peace;  
till, though blind, we see, and deaf, we hear, and imprisoned, find release.

Come, Gentle Breezes, breath of all loving, given to God's chosen band;  
Let us dance and feast with the broken ones, bring compassion to our land.

Come! Lift our hands in joyful applause to the Maker of the earth;  
for our Father who lifts us when we fall, and our Mother who gives us birth!

Benediction

Choral Sending

"Teach Us How to Live"

Bulletin Insert

Postlude

"Teach Us How to Live"

arr. Wolgemuth

## *Announcements*

**The Prayer Community asks you to join with us this week in praying for:**

Robin and Mike Martin  
Celia Phillips  
Alex Mocarski  
Lori and Thomas Klein  
Rachel Berriker

### *~ This week at Shenkel UCC ~*

Sun., 6/5 ~ Reflective Worship service with Communion at 8:30 am in sanctuary.  
~ Worship service with Communion in the sanctuary at 9:45 am  
~ Congregational Meeting  
~ White Privilege Discussion at 11 am  
Tues., 6/7 ~ White Privilege Discussion at 11 am  
Wed., 6/8 ~ White Privilege Discussion at 7 pm

### *~Upcoming events at Shenkel UCC~*

Sun., 6/12 ~ Reflective Worship service with Communion at 8:30 am in sanctuary.  
~ Worship service with Communion in the Grove at 9:45 am with  
God's Precious Children  
Tues., 6/14 ~ Consistory at 6:30 pm  
Thurs., 6/16 ~ Card Making class at 10 am  
~ Agape at Freda Wanner's home at 6:45 pm

Scripture Readings for June 12:

Proverbs 8:1-4; Psalm 8; Proverbs 3:13-18

The A/V team is looking for additional people to stream worship services on Sunday mornings. We will provide as much personalized training needed for you to feel comfortable. Senior high youth are also welcome as long as they feel comfortable using a computer. If you can help or have any interest please notify Gary McDermit or Dave Derman.

**Mid-day Dinner club** will be meeting at Railroad Street Bar & Grill on Tuesday, June 21 at noon. It is open to young-at-heart adults of any age who enjoy eating out and would like to get to know other Shenkel members a little better. If you are attending, please add your name and phone number on the sign up sheet no later than Sunday, June 19 so your reservation can be made on time or you may call Sharon Sabo at 610-326-1945 or let her know at the Sunday service if you are able to attend.