

Day of Pentecost

May 23, 2021

10:50 AM



Welcome back to Worship at Spring Branch Presbyterian Church! Please enter through the Breezeway Narthex doors and follow the instructions of the Greeters and Ushers.

** Those who are able please stand*

Gathering in God's Name

PRELUDE

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Based on Acts 2 and Psalm 104)*

Leader: Praise the Lord from whom all blessings flow!

People: The day of Pentecost has come and we have gathered together in this place.

Leader: We are nothing without you, O Lord. Send forth your presence and grant us your mercies and love.

People: Creator God, reign down your Spirit that we, too, may prophesy!

Leader: Praise the Lord who sends forth his Spirit! Praise the Lord who renews the face of the earth.

People: Jesus Christ, reign down your Spirit that we, too, may see visions! May the glory of the Lord endure forever! May the Lord rejoice in his works.

All: Everlasting Father, reign down your Spirit that we, too, may dream dreams! Praise the Lord! Praise the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; praise the Lord!

HYMN

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

(In lieu of Congregational singing, our Socially Distant Choir has pre-recorded our Hymns for this morning. You are invited to ponder the text as the images as shown on the screens.)

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
Until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
Until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

Preparing for the Word

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Leader: "Everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Come, then, let us confess our sins to the one who is faithful to forgive. Come, then, let us adore the one who is mighty to save!

CONFESSION OF SIN (*unison*)

Merciful and gracious God, our hearts cry out for you to make us whole again. Even as we celebrate that you have come to dwell within us, we have sinned against you and abandoned your commandments. We have been jealous, possessive, ambivalent, and impulsive. We have not heeded your Word and we have not cherished your covenant. Help us to glorify you in all times and in all places. As our souls thirst for your living waters, quench our needs and satisfy our love, that we may come back to you and be sent forth to fill the world with your mercy and grace. In the name of your son, Jesus Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit who is at work within us, Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Sisters and brothers in Christ, God's Spirit did not leave us after that first Pentecost. The Spirit is still with us, empowering us to know mercy and grace, forgiveness and service. In this Spirit, and through Christ, we proclaim the Good News:

People: In the name of Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hearing the Word

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Patty Blome

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

A wind from God blew over the face of the waters, and the voice of God spoke from a burning bush. Jesus breathed peace on the disciples, and the Spirit of God, like flames, rested on all who gathered. So, may God's Spirit move among us this day as we encounter God in the Word. Amen.

ANTHEM

"O Thou Who Camest from Above"

O thou who camest from above the pure celestial fire to impart,
Kindle the flame of sacred love on the mean altar of my heart.

There let it for thy glory burn with inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source return in humble prayer and fervent praise.

Jesus, confirm my hearts desire to work and speak and think for thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire, and still stir up thy gift in me, thy gift in me.

Still let me prove thy perfect will, my acts of faith and love repeat;
Till death thy endless mercies seal, and make the sacrifice complete, complete.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Red Pew Bible OT 806

HYMN OF REFLECTION

"Where the Spirit of the Lord Is"

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is peace;
Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is love.
There is comfort in life's darkest hour;
There is light and life, there is help and power
In the Spirit, in the Spirit of the Lord.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 2:1-21

Red Pew Bible NT 119

SERMON *"The Church in the Spirit, Part 1: The Church is Formed"* Rev. Dr. Kevin R. Boyd
"...they were all together in one place." -Acts 2:1

Responding to the Word

THE SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM

Kaylee Ann Earnest

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*unison*)

(*The Apostles' Creed*)

I Believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

A TIME OF GIVING

Contributions may be placed in the wooden offering box in the Narthex on your way out, or you can give online at www.springbranchpres.org/give.

SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

Departing to Serve

HYMN

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

Open my eyes, that I may see, glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear, voices of truth thou sendest clear.
And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear, gladly the warm truth everywhere.
Open my heart, and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart; illumine me, Spirit divine!

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Thank you for joining us for Worship this morning! Please wait for the Ushers to dismiss you by row.

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Calendar of Events

May 23 — Pentecost Sunday

9:30 am Explorers (FH)
9:30 am Saints Under Construction (CR)
9:30 am Virtual Sunday School (Zoom)
10:50 am Worship
12:00 pm Outdoor Pentecost Picnic

May 24 — Monday

6:00 pm Yoga (GP 1)
7:30 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut & GP)

May 25 — Tuesday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study
7:00 pm Session (Zoom)

May 26 — Wednesday

9:30 am Happy Hands (GP)

May 27 — Thursday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
6:00 pm Yoga (GP 1)

May 30 — Trinity Sunday

9:30 am Explorers (FH)
9:30 am Saints Under Construction (CR)
9:30 am Virtual Sunday School (Zoom)
10:50 am Worship

May 31 — Monday

Memorial Day

6:00 pm Yoga (GP 1)
7:30 pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut & GP)

June 1 — Tuesday

9:15 am Congregational Care Meeting (GP)
10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study

June 3 — Thursday

10:00 am Flexercise (GP)
6:00 pm Yoga (GP 1)



Announcements & Events

The Flowers this morning are given by Jacquie Ballesteros to the Glory of God, and in honor of Kaylee Earnest's Baptism.

The Rose this morning is in placed in the Sanctuary in celebration of the birth of Jennifer Chehade-Tapia and Hector Tapia's son, Anthony, born on May 14th! The proud grandmother is Sandy Chehade.

Please join us for our Pentecost Picnic immediately after Worship this afternoon! Sandwiches, salads, chips, desserts, and drinks will be provided. Come for food, fun, games, and fellowship!



The Pentecost Offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start—a solid foundation of faith formed in the years from childhood through adulthood. Our congregation is joining the whole church in building for our future, in building individual lives of faith.

Ways to Give:

- Through your congregation
- Donate by credit card online at pcusa.org/donatepentecost
- Text PENTECOST to 91999 to give

A Foundation of Faith established during childhood through young adulthood helps ensure lifelong faith and service. When you give to the Pentecost Offering, you are helping to provide opportunities for young people to grow and share in their faith in Christ.

You are invited to attend Pastor's Bible Study with Kevin. The group gathers at 11:00am on Tuesday mornings. Starting this week, the Bible Study will be offered both in-person and virtually. You may either join in-person at 11:00 AM in the Gathering Place, or by Zoom using the instructions sent to your email. We hope to see you there!

The Happy Hands group will meet Wednesday, May 26, 9:30am, in the Gathering Place. Come join the group for stuffing, stitching, and fellowship. Hope to see you there.

The Mission Team is inviting members and friends to help us prepare a meal for a team of Americorps members in Spring Branch who are helping our neighbors that experienced damage from the winter storm. We will be preparing the meal on Wednesday, May 26th. If you would like to help prepare or deliver the meal, please contact Miguel in the church office to sign up. Thank you!

During the month of June, the Mission Team will once again be helping our neighbors and friends prepare for hurricane season. We will be assembling hurricane preparedness kits again this year on Sunday, June 6th. We invite everyone to come to the foyer of the Education Building and help assemble a kit before Sunday School or after worship. We also encourage you to visit ReadyHarris.gov for additional information on ways you can prepare for hurricane season this year.

Presbytery of New Covenant Movie Discussion: Monday, May 24 at 6:30 p.m. is set for the next movie discussion about *The Trial of the Chicago 7*. Here is the link to register for the call: [Click Here](#).

Sunday School Zoom: The Things That Make for Peace will continue through June 30th. Beginning June 6th, Jim Kunkel will facilitate our June and July Zoom Sunday mornings. Spread the word. If you would like to join us at 9:30 each Sunday from home or on the road, contact Denise Wilborn (dwilborn55@gmail.com) or Carol Davis (caroldavis@entouch.net). Watch *PresPress* and church announcements for additional information.

We All Have a Place: 2021 VBS is planned for July 13th through July 16th from 9:00am until 11:30 am. The theme for the week will be built around the folksong "All God's Creatures Have a Place in the Choir." Science, art, music, and story telling will reflect animals mentioned in the Bible. If you are available to volunteer for VBS 2021, please email Denise Wilborn (dwilborn55@gmail.com) or Miguel Carlin (miguel@springbranchpres.org).



TULSA RACE MASSACRE: You are invited to the virtual 100th Anniversary of the Tulsa Race Massacre, led by historian and Tulsa Race Massacre expert, Hannibal Johnson, on May 27 at 7 p.m. on Zoom; and a follow-up Zoom call on June 3 at 7 p.m. to reflect and respond to this event. Plans are in process to have a presentation by Rev. Lynn Miller, author of the 2020-2021 Presbyterian Women's "Horizons" Bible study on Lament during this 100th Anniversary. More information on all events and Zoom links will be announced in the SBPC weekly e-mail and Sunday bulletin. Please "Save the Date" for May 27 and June 3 and expect more information on Rev. Miller's presentation. Please contact Carol Davis at caroldavis@entouch.net to receive the Zoom link to these opportunities.

ABOUT N4DR: You are welcome to join this Synod Network for Dismantling Racism and to share its Mission Statement: In light of the centennial commemoration of the Tulsa Race Massacre and God's ongoing call to love and justice, we seek to open our ears, eyes, minds, and hearts to the atrocities of systemic racial injustice and its consequences, to equip and engage for transformation throughout society. Goals include continuing to initiate and facilitate educational events, discussions, and trainings about racial justice by means of book studies, roundtables, speakers, and other special events. Other goals are (1) to identify and reject practices and policies that protect a racist status quo in our churches and communities and (2) to share anti-racism training with congregations in the Synod who desire to engage it. Browse the network's website <https://www.n4dr.org> for more information. If interested in any part of this Network, contact Kristy Rodgers at kristy.rodgers@fpcbok.org <mailto:kristy.rodgers@fpcbok.org>

Would you like to beautify the sanctuary on Sunday mornings while honoring a loved one or commemorating a special occasion? The 2021 Flower Sign-Up Calendar is located in the Narthex. If you are currently worshipping from home, but would still like to sponsor flowers for a Worship Service, you may sign up digitally by using this form: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084cabac2ba1fa7-2021>. The cost per arrangement is \$65.00. Special arrangements vary and should be requested EARLY! Checks should be written to SBPC and mailed to the Church Office or placed in the Offering Box on Sunday mornings.



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Who's Who:

Minister: All Members of the Church
 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Kevin Boyd
 Administrator: Jorida Vakiari
 Ministries Coordinator: C. Miguel Carlin
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 Music Director: Gabriel Perez
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Ministry Teams:

Administration Leader: Web Trevathan
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 Worship Leader: Megan Hogg
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The Session

Clerk: Elizabeth Powell

Moderator: Rev. Dr. Kevin Boyd

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Serving today in Worship:

Liturgist: Jan Fitts

Time For Young Disciples: Patty Blome

Usher Captain: Donald McDaniel

PowerPoint: Patty Blome

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