



**Whatever you can do . . .
The Spirit
is that
hidden power,
present and active
in every community of faith,
hovering in mid-air,
freely moved,
freely moving,
inspiring,
agitating,
stirring up faith
in every situation.**

Karl Barth

Day of Pentecost
May 31, 2020

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

Prelude Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire arr. Wilbur Held

Introit A Rushing, Mighty Wind David W. Music

A rushing, mighty wind roars through a crowded room, and tongues of fire upon their heads disperse the people's gloom. God's Spirit blows the wind and lights the blood-red flame; a Pentecost of tongues explodes in praise of Jesus' name. Three thousand souls that day in mind and heart were stirred; and these were added to the church as they believed the Word. Lord, make our breath a wind, and let our tongues be fire, and as at that first Pentecost your people's lives inspire. Amen!

****Call to Worship** (responsively)

Leader: When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

People: **Suddenly from heaven, there came a sound like the rush of wind. It filled the entire house where they were sitting.**

Leader: Divided tongues of fire appeared among them, and a tongue rested upon each of them.

People: **All were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, come. Blow in us and through us!

People: **Come, Holy Spirit, come. Strengthen and guide us!**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, come. Shake us from complacency and give us vision!

People: **Come, Holy Spirit, come. Give life to your church!**

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

280 Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

1 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; come with
 2 We would raise our al - le - lu - ias for the
 3 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; give us

Pen - te - cos - tal power; give the church a
 grace of yes - ter - years; for to - mor - row's
 words of fire and flame. Help our fee - ble

strong - er vi - sion; help us face each cru - cial hour.
 un - known path - way, hear, O Lord, our hum - ble prayers.
 lips to praise you, glo - ri - fy your ho - ly name.

Built up - on a firm foun - da - tion, Je - sus Christ, the
 In the church - 's pil - grim jour - ney you have led us
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One: what

This 20th-century text was written by a Presbyterian layperson and poet, who in her later years became interested in writing hymns for the seasons of the church year and prepared a collection of them for her congregation. It pairs effectively with this sturdy Welsh tune.

GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Cor - ner - stone, still the church is called to
all the way; still in pres - ence move be -
mys - ter - y! We would sing our loud ho -

mis - sion that God's love shall be made known.
fore us, fire by night and cloud by day.
san - nas now and through e - ter - ni - ty.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Great God of wind and fire:

You blow through your people like a refreshing breeze, cleansing our minds and giving us new ideas and fresh insight.

You kindle in us a passionate desire to speak your words and spread your love. In your Spirit is a wind that is never exhausted and a fire that is never consumed.

Forgive us for not being open to the winds of your Spirit. Forgive us when we quench your gift of holy fire. Let your Spirit dwell in us, that we might serve you boldly and walk in the power of your Spirit all our days. Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Pardon (responsively)

Leader: Not by might, nor by power, but by the Spirit says the Lord.

People: The Lord is Spirit. Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is perfect freedom.

Leader: The gifts of the Spirit begin with an acknowledgment of the gracious mercy of God.

People: Life in the Spirit flows from the risen Jesus into our baptized bodies and souls.

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

****Gloria Patri**

#581

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, Amen.

****Passing of the Peace** (responsively)

Leader: United in the cleansing waters of baptism,

People: We are made one people through our identity as God's children.

Leader: Anchored in the Christ's word of grace, and trusting in his spirit of mercy and forgiveness:

People: We cherish our deep unity in Christ and celebrate our great diversity.

Leader: We welcome each other and share the marvelous peace Jesus made possible. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Lesson Galatians 5:16-26

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Solo

Spirit of God

W. H. Neidlinger

Sherry Watkins, soloist

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth, to joys that dwell above. Lift me from weakness, mighty as Thou art. Teach me to love Thee as I ought to love. I ask no dream, no passing ecstasies, no ceaseless dwelling in this veil of clay: just send Thine angel thought through opening skies, and take the dimness of my soul away. Teach me to feel that Thou art always nigh. Teach me the struggles of the day to bear, to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh; teach me the patience of unceasing prayer.

Scripture Lesson 1 Samuel 19:18-24

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

“Spirit Zone, Spirit People”

Rev. Dr. David Neff, preaching

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

****Hymn**

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

#291

291 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Spirit

Refrain



Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the



wil - der - ness, call - ing and free. Spir - it,



spir - it of rest - less - ness, stir me from plac - id - ness,



wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters; you called to the
- 2 You swept through the des - ert; you stung with the
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble; you cried from a
- 4 You call from to - mor - row; you break an - cient



deep; then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the
 sand; and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a
 hill; then you whis - pered in si - lence when the
 schemes; from the bond - age of sor - row the

As the author/composer reminds us in the refrain, the Spirit is both gentle and restless. The stanzas reinforce a sense of the Spirit's activity through a wide range of verbs, initially in the past tense; but they become more urgent in the present tense of the fourth stanza.

E Asus A D G

val - leys of sleep; and o - ver the e -
 law and a land. When they were con - found -
 whole world was still. And down in the cit -
 cap - tives dream dreams. Our wom - en see vi -

A G D

ons you called to each thing, "A -
 ed with i - dols and lies, then you
 y, you called once a - gain when you
 sions; our men clear their eyes. With

Bm G

wake from your slum - bers and
 spoke through your proph - ets to
 blew through your peo - ple on the
 bold new de - ci - sions your

A D G/A D A to Refrain

rise on your wings."
 o - pen their eyes.
 rush of the wind.
 peo - ple a - rise.

****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.

Welcome and Announcements

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer ("debts")

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.

Prayer Response

Veni Sancte Spiritus (Come, Holy Spirit)

Taizé

Come, Holy Spirit, from heaven shine forth with your glorious light. Come, Father of the poor, come, generous Spirit, come, light of our hearts.

Anthem

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

spiritual, arr. William Dawson

Every time I feel the spirit moving in my heart, I will pray. Upon the mountain my Lord spoke, out of His mouth came fire and smoke; looked all around me, it looked so fine, till I asked my Lord if all was mine. Jordan river is chilly and cold, it chills the body, but not the soul; there ain't but one train upon this track, it runs to heaven and right back.

BEARING THE WORD OUT INTO THE WORLD

****Hymn**

We Are One in the Spirit

#300

****The Charge and the Benediction**

****Benediction**

The Peace of God

John Rutter

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

Postlude

Toccata from Suite Gothique

Leon Boellmann

Thanks to Those Assisting in Our Service

Liturgists

Kjirstin Almos and Leslie Deslauriers

OUR MISSION AND VISION

Mission Statement: We are a diverse and inclusive community bringing people to Christ through the power of service, education, hospitality and compassion.

Vision Statement: Second Presbyterian Church seeks to be a diverse, vibrant and passionate Christ-centered community of hospitality and outreach actively serving the South Loop, the city of Chicago, and the world. We accomplish this through inspirational worship in our historic sanctuary, educational ministry to all ages, and the power of compassionate service to our neighbors.

We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm) (Em)
Fm Cm Fm

1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

(Am) (Em)
B^bm Fm

we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

(Am) (Em)
B^bm Fm

and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

Refrain (C) (Em)
D^b Fm

And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our

(Am) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Am/E) (Em)
B^bm Fm B^bm Cm Fm B^bm/F Fm

love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

A parish priest at St. Brendan's on the South Side of Chicago in the 1960s was very involved in the local Civil Rights movement and needed something for his youth choir to sing at ecumenical, interracial events. Finding nothing, he wrote this song in a single day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship

Welcome to Second Presbyterian Church. All are welcome regardless of ethnicity, economic group or sexual orientation to share together in the joy and power of God's love in Jesus Christ.

Worship is live-streamed on our website www.2ndpresbyterian.org each Sunday morning. Join us at 10:55 a.m. for the worship. Copies of sermons and bulletins will be mailed and emailed to all who request them.

Today is Pentecost Sunday! We celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit to the church and the beginning of its mission in the Spirit.

The South Loop Farmers Market begins continues every Thursday with a “*Virtual Farmer’s Market*” from 2:00-6:00 p.m. Go online to www.sourcewhatsgood.com, register your name and address, then begin picking out your items to order. Your purchases can be picked up in the north parking lot from 2:00-6:00 p.m.

On *Baccalaureate Sunday*, we honor all graduates. If you have a son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter or member of your family that has graduated from 8th grade, 12th grade, college, graduate school or vocational/technical school, please contact the church office (312) 225-4951 with your graduate's name and place of graduation. Congratulations to all graduates and their families!

If pastoral care needs arise, please contact the church office at (312) 225-4951. Pastor Neff and Pastoral Assistant Deslauriers are available for pastoral counseling and prayer.

The work of the church is critical in this time of crisis. Our ministry continues to grow in creative and innovative ways. Please take a moment

to go online to 2ndpresbyterian.org and give, or write out your check and send it in to Second Presbyterian Church, 1936 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL. 60616. Your gifts continue the mission and work of the Lord in this time and place.

We are still taking prayer requests but now you can submit them by clicking this link <https://forms.gle/72RzSMc9tAA7y5st8> so that we can pray with you and for you. All prayer requests will go to Pastor Neff, Pastoral Assistant Leslie and our Office Administrator Ashley. There is an option to mark whether or not your prayer is private.

After worship is over, everyone is invited to join our Zoom Coffee Hour by following these instructions:

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/661273152?pwd=ZU8xY0JkeE9EWk9RNDVWZzRFbWVaZz09>

Meeting ID: 661 273 152

Password: 474253

One tap mobile: +13126266799,,661273152# US (Chicago)

Dial by your location: +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Educational Opportunities

The confirmation class is currently on hold. Confirmation Sunday will be rescheduled for a later date. For more information, please contact Elder Eugene Leonard.

Quest for The Living God Summer Class: How does theology respond to THE crises of civilization? How does the church respond to the injustice in society? Pastor Neff and Student Pastor Almos will teach a weekly Zoom course during June and July. The course will be for one hour each Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. We will study the book *Quest for the Living God* written by Catholic theologian Elizabeth A. Johnson.

Each chapter comments on the major Catholic and Protestant theological movements of the 21st Century. A weekly study guide will be offered.

Topics are:

June 10 – How Do We Do Theology?

June 17 – Response to Science and Secularism: Theology of Mystery

June 24 – Response to the Holocaust: Theologies of Suffering and Hope

July 1 – Response to Extreme Poverty and Privilege: Liberation Theology

July 8 – Response to Racism: Black Theology and Black Power

July 15 – Response to Sexism: God Acting Womanish

July 22 – Doing Theology Latinamente

July 29 – Response to Environmental Exploitation and Abuse: Eco-theology and Eco-justice

August 5 – Response to Pluralism: Ecumenical and Interfaith Dialogue

Whether you read the book or not, please join us. All are welcome.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88365620431?pwd=amVGVzVDdFo3Z2U0ekpiNEkvWTF4Zz09>

Meeting ID: 883 6562 0431

Password: 141973

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BIBLE STUDIES:

We will be using phone calls for bible studies and Zoom for other groups. For bible studies, use the number below.

Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

(631) 270-1376

ID number 7582750

Tuesday First Corinthians 1:30 p.m.

(631) 270-1376

ID number 7582750

THURSDAY CIRCLE OF PRAYER 12:00 P.M.:

Marian Liataud and Pastor Neff invite you to join Zoom for a Circle of Prayer at noon every Thursday. The format will include a time of prayer for all who need prayer, asking God to hold and bless every situation.

“Prayer holds the key to heaven” (James Weldon Johnson).

Weekly: [https://us04web.zoom.us/meeting/uZYsd-Grpz8tK3Ih-dMvYMsuaMNbDX4WLw/ics?icsToken=98tyKu2qrzsiGd2Rt1zta7UtW6v_buG5llodg6sQmDLzOg1AdwLbGOBmCuZIPM-B](https://us04web.zoom.us/join/https://us04web.zoom.us/meeting/uZYsd-Grpz8tK3Ih-dMvYMsuaMNbDX4WLw/ics?icsToken=98tyKu2qrzsiGd2Rt1zta7UtW6v_buG5llodg6sQmDLzOg1AdwLbGOBmCuZIPM-B)

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/421083947?pwd=SlBncTBsYUw5cjZqYXBwVUNVWFHUT09>

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Alpha to Omega Bible Discussion Group: monthly on the second and fourth Thursdays. For more information, please contact Flea Parker at flea@golden2.net or (210) 861-6988.

RIM (Recreation and Interest Ministries) Committee

The RIM committee is in the process of developing a group trip to explore the Civil Rights Monuments and Museums in the Montgomery and Selma, Alabama areas. We are excited to share the following information with you in the hopes that you will wish to participate. Based on current health circumstances we cannot set a specific time yet but we are looking at late Fall 2020 or Spring/Fall 2021. Please express your interest in the Civil Rights Trip to the RIM Committee by emailing to trips.2ndpreschicago@gmail.com. We will keep you updated as further information can be developed.

WHAT: 2nd Presbyterian Civil Rights Trip Fly to Birmingham, Alabama. Travel by CHARTERED BUS to Montgomery & Selma.

Visit the Peace & Justice Museum, Dexter Baptist Church, Selma bridge and other museums & highlights as time allows. Led by a Civil Rights expert.

WHO: 20-30 2nd Presbyterian congregants (and friends as space allows)

WHEN: 4 days & 3 nights, Fall or Spring as circumstances allow

WHERE: Hotel in downtown Montgomery AL

COST: Estimated \$800 - \$1,000 including flight.

RIM has also tentatively scheduled a bus/van trip on Saturday, July 25 to visit the Holocaust Museum in Skokie before the special exhibit on Ruth Bader Ginsburg leaves on August 16.

This trip will cost \$35 per person and includes van rental and box lunch at the museum. Currently the museum is closed. We will update you when we can develop more solid information.

Movie Group: Please join the new Movie Discussion Group on Friday, May 29th at 6:30 pm as we discuss the 2000 movie Erin Brockovich. Each person will watch the movie on their own and then we will gather on Zoom to discuss it (when allowed we will meet in person). The movie is available for free on HULU and for a small fee on YouTube, Apple and Amazon. The film is a dramatization of the true story of Erin Brockovich who fought against the energy corporation Pacific Gas & Electric Co. This event is brought to you by the RIM committee. We will send the Zoom link the Sunday before the discussion.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81144204752?pwd=RzYrajVWS29MU2RId3VXcmJocW5EUT09>

Meeting ID: 811 4420 4752

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Meeting ID: 811 4420 4752

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Book Group: Our next book of discussion is *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd. Leader Sharon Singer. This will take place via Zoom on June 21st at 9:30 a.m.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82595103879>

Meeting ID: 825 9510 3879

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Meeting ID: 825 9510 3879

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82595103879>

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Dr. Neff’s sermons, poetry and reflections on ministry can be found in his blog: www.davidneff.me. To obtain copies of sermons for our Pastoral Assistant Leslie Deslauriers, please go to her blog lesliefollowsgodthroughchicago.blogspot.com

PRAYER REQUESTS (please pray for the following)

William Tyre – Prayer for Oren Sreebny and his family in the loss of Oren's father, Leo, to COVID-19

Mary Tibbs – Mylah Whitehead

Ramón Leah Smith – Erika Dizon; Laura Salado, Cherie Turner, to everyone who has been affected by pandemic

Tracy Cargo – the family of William Shuler on his passing and continue to pray for Angela Samuels as she continues to heal; prayers for my mom, sister, sons and grandchildren; for those unemployed, without health insurance and those struggling during this pandemic; prayers for world peace and leaders to make Godly decisions

Vickie Loftin – Prayers to all who are suffering from or through the effects of Covid-19; I pray the rest of us recognize this world event as a time to reset our priorities to God

Leslie Deslauriers – B. Chinchilla; Vi; Valdez Family; A. Williams; M. Murphy-Gill; Chaplains; Healthcare workers; C. Mayorga

Jay Almer – Doug, Kathryn and Isabel Johnson in the death of their high school son

Karen Dalal - My brother, Erich, who is having surgery on 5/7 for cancer; all those fighting Covid-19; researchers, health care workers, and patients; those feeling isolated, helpless, and anxious due to the pandemic

Ozzie Kinnard – Rose Allen, Kinnard, Brinson, Steele Families, all affected by this pandemic, please keep doing your part and God has a plan, prayer works

Mary Tibbs – For the children being affected with the mysterious coronavirus; the young man killed in Georgia while jogging; Lloyd Carter

Lisa Armstrong – Prayers for my niece, who had her first child (a daughter) on May 9th; prayers for all those struggling because of the COVID-19

Ben, Joanne, and Declan – recovery and a clear path forward from this epidemic; reuniting with friends and family that have been separated during this time

Ashley McLean – prayers for everyone whose health has been affected by covid; my family and friends; God's grace and mercy

Pastor David Neff – the pastors, elders and churches of the Presbyterian Synod of Cameroon

Homebound Members – Robert Wasmund, Sue Ish, Lloyd Carter, Vera Dix, Tom Miner, Helen Gooden

The Session

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