

**Sunday, May 31, 2019**  
**Pentecost Sunday**

This week is **PENTECOST!** The Holy Spirit needs to be in the middle of all we do and say as a church--the Holy Spirit is how we became a church in the first place! We get to celebrate all the ways that God has, and can, and will work in our lives! We are embracing the powerful re-birth of a Spirit-filled community that is empowered to live its mission in the world. **Red** is the color of Pentecost, and it signifies the tongues of flames seen over the heads of those praying together. The Scripture also tells us that the sound of the blowing of a violent wind filled the house where Jesus' followers were praying. In addition to the color red, churches often display tongues of flame and symbols of wind on banners and posters--*this year, since we aren't in the church building together, **Red Pinwheels** were taken out to every church member household! If you didn't receive one, please contact the church office, so you can receive future deliveries and mailings.*

In Scripture, we read that the believers were filled with the Holy Spirit and went into the streets telling of Jesus to all those they met. Following Peter's sermon, many were baptized, and the church began to grow.

Because of this, we call Pentecost "the birthday of the church."

Everyone is invited to wear **red** to worship!

**Opening Music**

**Holy Spirit** by Kari Jobe and Cody Carnes

*Holy Spirit, You are welcome here*

*Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere*

*Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for*

*To be overcome by Your presence, Lord Your presence, Lord*

**Welcome, Check In and Prayer Requests**

**\*Call to Worship** (Psalm 104)

Leader: Today is a day of celebration!

**Response: Today, we're reminded what it means to be the church!**

Leader: On this day, we're reminded to let our *whole being* praise you, Lord! We even dressed up in red in celebration of your Holy Spirit!

**Response: Like you, God, we want to make your message blow through the community like a wind; we want the fire of your love to spread through us and the flames of your light to spark our ministries!**

Leader: You let loose your breath, and we were created, and now you've made us feel brand-new again!

**All: We will sing to you, Lord as long as we live! We'll sing your praises for our whole lives! Let everything that has breath, bless the Lord!**

**Greeting One Another**

*Peace be with you!*

**Special Music**

**Faith for Kids**

**Worship Song**

*Surely, the Presence of the Lord*

**Prayers of the Congregation**

**Pastor's Prayer**

**Lord's Prayer**

**God's Word to Us**

**Acts 2:1-21 (CEB)**

**Message**

**The Day of Pentecost**

Pastor Karen Evenson

**Bringing Ourselves and Our Gifts**

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[www.faithinyourheart.org/give](http://www.faithinyourheart.org/give)

Send a check to the church: 710 8th Street (or drop off on Wednesdays 10am-4pm)

**Offertory Song**

**Prayer of Dedication for our Offerings**

**Blessing and Sending Forth**

**Numbers 6:24-26**

The Lord bless you and keep you;

25 the Lord make his face to shine upon you,

and be gracious to you;

26 the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,

and give you peace.

We can join together in God's love, both inside and outside of the walls of a church building. Today, even without being in the building, we came together "go to church," in Spirit, and as we end this time of worship, we are reminded to be the church.

Now let's sing together and bless one another as we end our time of worship...

**Community Blessing and Song**

**Aaron's Blessing**

*Worship has ended...now the service begins!*