



*Pentecost by Jennifer Allison*

## WORSHIP SERVICE

DAY OF PENTECOST

MAY 23, 2021

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP – 10:00 A.M.

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### Gathering

#### Gathering Chime

#### Prelude

*Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord*

Armsdorf

#### Welcome and Announcements

#### Introit

*Spirit of the Living God*

No. 288

***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.***

#### Call to Worship *Acts 2:17, 21*

God declares: "I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh.  
Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.  
The young shall see visions.  
The elders shall dream dreams.  
Both men and women shall prophesy.  
And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord  
shall be saved."



Pentecost by Estella Canziani

1 On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered quite ear - ly in the day,  
2 The peo - ple all a - round them were star - tled and a - mazed  
3 God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it on all who would be - lieve,  
4 O Spir - it, sent from heav - en on that day long a - go,

a band of Christ's dis - ci - ples, to wor - ship, sing, and pray.  
to un - der - stand their lan - guage, as Christ the Lord they praised.  
on wom - en, men, and chil - dren who would God's grace re - ceive.  
re - kin - dle faith a - mong us in all life's ebb and flow.

A might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,  
What u - ni - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?  
That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.  
O give us ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,

and tongues of fire a - glow - ing in - spired each per - son there,  
That Christ, once dead, is ris - en to van - quish all our fear.  
The church, formed and re - form - ing, re - sponds in ev - ery hour.  
so folk of ev - ery na - tion glad songs of joy shall raise.

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

**Holy and Merciful God,  
we do not know how to pray as we ought,  
and we know too well our constant failures  
to do as you have commanded  
and to hold fast to your word.  
Forgive us for the divisions we nurture,  
guide us to your way,  
keep us in your care, and  
lead us into faith.  
We trust your word that the Spirit of truth  
will show us all things  
and grant us courage and peace. Amen.**

*Silent Confession*

### Assurance of Pardon

## Word

### Prayer for Illumination

#### First Reading

Acts 2:1-21

One: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### Musical Offering

*Since 1999 Pastor Paul has visited the (Trappist) Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers, Georgia many times. He goes to spend time alone with God away from the many demands of life and work in the church. One year as he sat in the yard of the monastery composing music for an up-coming worship service the wind was blowing and he began to think of all the times the Spirit of God is experienced as Wind. The song following was written as a reflection on that metaphor of wind as the Holy Spirit.*

*Wind. The veil of heaven here is thin.  
So blow into me, let the Spirit renew me.  
Fill the sails of my heart. Wind.*

*Wind. In times of tôhû wabôhû\*,  
Come and rest upon the waters bringing life to your sons and daughters.  
Be our God within the storms. Wind.*

*Chorus: So descend like a dove and alight as a fire,  
touch my weary heart, lift my spirit higher.  
Let the breezes blow, and the breath bring life.  
Let the Spirit grow and direct my life,  
and restore me by your love. Wind.*

*Wind. The prophet called upon the Wind,  
and the bones came together to the glory of God forever,  
in the valley of dry bones. Wind.*

*Wind. Disciples in Jerusalem.  
They were touched with power, and the church was born that hour.  
Where two or more are gathered. Wind.*

*Chorus: So descend like a dove and alight as a fire,  
touch my weary heart, lift my spirit higher.  
Let the breezes blow, and the breath bring life.  
Let the Spirit grow and direct my life,  
and restore me by your love. Wind.*

*\*tôhû wabôhû is a transliteration of the Hebrew phrase which the NRSV translates  
"without form and void." It indicates persistent disordered chaos.*

## **Second Reading**

Ezekiel 37:1-14

## **The Message**

*Dry Bones – Kindled Fire*

Paul Lang

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life a - new,  
2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,  
3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,  
4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,

that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.  
un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.  
un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.  
but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Breathe On Me, Breath of God'. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble and bass staff with a 3/4 time signature and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides harmonic support. Below the first system, there are four lines of lyrics, each corresponding to a different part of the hymn. The second system of music continues the melody and harmony, with lyrics below it. The lyrics are: 'that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do. un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure. un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine. but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.'

**Affirmation of Faith** *The Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Time with Our Children**

Jen Pierce

## **Joys and Concerns of the Congregation**

*Lord in your goodness: Hear our praise; Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer.*

## **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**

## Responding

### The Lord's Supper

#### Invitation to the Lord's Table

#### Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is always good that we give you thanks, O God,  
for you sent your Holy Spirit into our midst,  
the Spirit of wisdom and might,  
who brings us into communion with you and with one another.  
And so, with all the people of God in every age,  
we praise you for the power of the resurrection  
to set us free from divisions and strife,  
and with angels and archangels,  
with earth, water, fire, and air,  
and with all your creatures,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed are you, O God,  
by whose word all things came into being,  
whose power brings the dead to life,  
whose breath undergirds our prayers,  
and whose love for rich diversity  
amazes and astonishes your people.

Blessed are you, O Christ, Word made flesh,  
who came to us as prophet, brother, and savior.  
We thank you for your life among the multitudes,  
preaching, teaching, feeding, healing,  
lifting up the ones who falter  
and calling the powerful to righteousness.



We remember that on the night he was betrayed,  
having gathered his friends at the table,  
our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks,  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat. This is my body given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

And again, after supper, he took the cup  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood  
shed for you and for all people  
for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering our Lord's command  
to remember him, his wisdom, and his sacrifice,  
we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**  
**Christ has risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

**Christ has died.**  
**Christ has risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

Blessed are you, O Spirit,  
poured out upon your people  
to open our hearts,  
to pray within us,  
to teach us hope.

Through this broken bread, show us life abundant.  
Break us, as well, so that with your gifts,  
we may tend your earth and feed the hungry,  
giving thanks for all that nourishes  
this blessed creation, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Breaking of the Bread**  
**Communion**

**Prayer after Communion**

# Sending

## Hymn

## *We Will Go Out With Joy*

No. 539



- 1 We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.  
2 Now an - y - one who's born of the Spir-it, sing a new song of joy.  
3 We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.



We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.  
Now an - y - one who's born of the Spir-it, sing a new song of joy.  
We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.



Al - le - lu - ia! We will go out with joy.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## Blessing and Charge

### Sharing the Peace of Christ

*You are invited to share Christ's peace with those around you.*

## Postlude

## *Come, God Creator, Holy Ghost*

Bach

### Today's Worship Service Participants

Minister: Rev. Dr. Paul Lang; Rev. Alan Bancroft

Music Director: Ed Yasick

Special Music: Paul Lang

Time with Our Children: Jen Pierce

Usher: Ellen Govert

Graphics: Su Johnson; Tech: John Campbell, Ken Worsham

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*This Week's Floral Dedication  
Flowers in the Sanctuary  
are given to the glory of God  
by Henry and Onita Gibbs  
in loving memory of Henry's mother,  
Dora F. Gibbs.*



SUMMER  
WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### Worship Service Reservation Sign-up

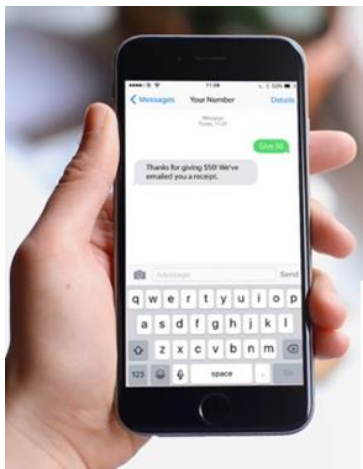
The ReGathering Task Force and Music & Worship Ministry teams are pleased to announce that Cary Presbyterian Church has resumed limited, in-person worship in the Sanctuary on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. (We will continue to closely monitor state regulations and feedback from the congregation, and make adjustments as needed.)

Attendance is limited to 40 worshippers per service. Reservations are required. Please be considerate of others who may wish to attend and refrain from signing up for consecutive Sundays.

Sign-up at SignUpGenius at: <https://tinyurl.com/5xyth9bh>

(Facemasks will be required, safe seating will be marked, and post-worship fellowship will take place in the courtyard or under the portico.) Worship will continue to be live-streamed to Facebook for those who are not comfortable or able to attend in person.

A Waiting List is provided for each date in case the service reaches capacity and there is a cancellation. (Adding your name to the Waiting List for a service will not guarantee seating if cancellations occur. However, it will provide a record of who and how many would like to attend if possible.)



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## THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Website and Online Member Directory: [www.carypresbyterian.org](http://www.carypresbyterian.org)

<b>Sunday, May 23 Day of Pentecost</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Online Worship Service</b> Worship Service streamed live on Cary Presbyterian Church Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/carypresbyterianchurch/">https://www.facebook.com/carypresbyterianchurch/</a>
<b>Monday, May 24</b>		<b>We have resumed limited gatherings on church grounds in accordance with state guidelines,</b>
<b>Tuesday, May 25</b>		<b>Watch E-Link and our website for updates, SignUpGenius links for services, and Zoom meeting info as provided to the office.</b>
<b>Wednesday, May 26</b>		
<b>Thursday, May 27</b>		
<b>Friday, May 28</b>		
<b>Saturday, May 29</b>		
<b>Sunday, May 30 Trinity Sunday</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Online Worship Service</b> Worship Service streamed live on Cary Presbyterian Church Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/carypresbyterianchurch/">https://www.facebook.com/carypresbyterianchurch/</a>



## The Christian Prayer Toolbox: Coming in June

**June 5, 12, 19, 26, and July 10 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

We are admonished in scripture to “pray always,” and yet anyone who has attempted a life of prayer knows how difficult it can be to pray as often and as gladly as we might wish. The Christian tradition has preserved for us many forms of prayer and this course is offered in the hope that you will add some new “tools” to your prayer toolbox.

Some of the forms of prayer (like intercession) will likely be familiar to most people. But others (praying with icons or practicing the examen, for example) may be new to you. We will explore five different prayer forms in this course – one per week – and pastor Paul will give instruction and history of the prayer and encourage you to try it out for a time.

This class is meant to be a “taste and see” class for the Pilgrimage ministry at CPC. Come join us!

**Detail sheet on the course is available in the Narthex.**