# A Service of Song, Word, & Table

June 8, 2025

\* Please rise in body or spirit.

### WELCOME

### **PRELUDE**

(8:30) Dr. Dan Cummings, piano (11:00) Ballut Abyad Pipe Band

# \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Beloved, pay attention! The Holy Spirit sweeps among us, binding us together as family in Christ.

# We are children of God, heirs of grace.

Beloved, have you noticed? The Holy Spirit moves among us, creating and renewing the whole of creation, inspiring us to co-create with God and one another.

# We are children of God, co-creators in grace.

Beloved, be encouraged. The Holy Spirit lives among us, surrounding us with mercy and grace, witnessing to us about God's steadfast love for God's people.

# We are children of God, witnesses to grace.

Beloved, pay attention! Whether in a rushing wind or a gentle breath, the Holy Spirit welcomes you here, for we are all children of God, brought together by grace.

We are children of God, knit together by the Spirit. Thanks be to God! Amen.

\* **HYMN** O Spirit of the Living God UMH 539

### A READING FROM ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 2:1-12

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

(11:00) ANTHEM I Feel the Spirit! Spirituals, arr. Besig Chancel Choir

**HOMILY** "What Does This Mean?"

MUSICAL RESPONSE Spirit of the Living God UMH 393

# CALL TO CONFESSION AND RECEPTION OF PARDON

Divine Mystery,

Your breath fills the universe and makes it alive.;

We praise you, Divine Life, for the gift of Spirit.

Your love blows through all creation and makes it one;

We praise you, Divine Lover, for the gift of Spirit.

Your presence fills every corner, your voice fills every silence,

and your heartbeat lives within every living thing;

We praise you, Divine Presence, for the gift of Spirit.

But we have failed to value the life of other people,

other creatures, and the world You have given to be our home.

Forgive us, Divine Life.

We have failed to recognise the connectedness of all things,

and have brought pain through division and exclusion.

Forgive us, Divine Lover.

We have denied your presence, ignored your voice

and forgotten your love for us and all that you have made.

Forgive us, Divine Presence.

# **Silent Confession**

Divine Spirit, we recognise the ways we have brought pain to you, to others, and to ourselves.

For Christ's sake we ask you to breathe new life into us, wash us clean, and ignite the fire of love in our hearts again.

Amen.

### PASSING OF THE PEACE

**REGATHERING HYMN** 

Sweet, Sweet Spirit UMH 334

### INVITATION TO OFFERING & CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Gracious God, breath of life and movement of all creation, we bring these gifts today as signs of our faith and our hope in your Spirit's work among us. As you did on Pentecost, pour out your Spirit anew, leading us to speak words of welcome and love across every boundary. May these offerings support ministries that cross divides and embody the hospitality of Christ. Open our eyes to see your deeds of power and to follow where your Spirit sends. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

### **OFFERTORY**

(8:30) Dr. Dan Cummings, piano

(11:00) Highland Cathedral Roever and Korb Ballut Abyad Pipe Band

\* DOXOLOGY UMH 94

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We celebrate the Divine Spirit, who hovered over creation

and brought order out of formlessness.

We praise you, Spirit.

We celebrate the Divine Spirit, who filled Jesus with power and wisdom

and, through him, made divine life available to all.

We praise you, Spirit.

We celebrate the Spirit, who has been poured out

on all people, and leads us into the Reign of God.

We praise you, Spirit.

And so, as we gather at this table,

we recognise Spirit's Presence among us,

and we open our hearts to Spirit's influence.

And so, with your people and your creatures on earth, and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

God, we come knowing that we depend on you

for life and truth and love.

We come knowing that you welcome us with open and accepting arms.

We come ready to meet with you,

and be changed by the encounter.

Amen.

The Lord Jesus, on the eve of His crucifixion,

gathered his friends for a meal.

During supper, he took a loaf of bread, and gave thanks for it.

Then he broke it and passed it among them with these words:

This is my body which is broken for you.

Take, eat and remember me.

After the meal, Jesus took a cup of wine and gave thanks for it.

Then he passed it among them with these words:

This is my blood which is shed for you.

Take, drink and remember me.

So now, we eat and we drink, and we remember Jesus and the Divine Love he showed us.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

# Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Spirit, as we share this bread and wine, let it be a sharing in Christ's life and presence; And may we embody your life, love, and presence in our homes and community.

## 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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.

R3 Amen, amen, amen.

### **MUSIC AT COMMUNION**

### INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\* **SENDING HYMN** I'm Goin'a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing UMH 333

# \* BENEDICTION

May God, who gives us a spirit of adoption, bless you today, carrying you on the winds of the Spirit into the world to share the love, grace, and family that have been so lavishly given to each and every one of us. Amen.

### **POSTLUDE**

(8:30) Dr. Dan Cummings, piano (11:00) Ballut Abyad Pipe Band