



*An Open & Affirming, A2A-Accessible to All  
Congregation of the United Church of Christ*

24 May 2026 – 10:30 AM  
**PENTECOST**

**\*indicates the congregation is invited to stand.  
Please feel free to remain seated if you prefer.**

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PRELUDE *Komm, heiliger Geist, Herre Gott* Naji Hakim  
Vlada Volkova-Moran, organist

WELCOME The Rev. David Pattee, pastor

\*PREFACE *Acts 2:1-21* Mira Haslam, liturgist

One: When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.

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

One: Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

**All: Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?**

One: Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.'

**All: All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'**

One: But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'People of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

**All: "In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and the young shall see visions,  
and the old shall dream dreams.  
And in those days I will pour out my Spirit  
on my servants, both men and women; and they shall prophesy.  
And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.  
The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.  
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."**

\*HYMN 282

African-American spiritual

[refrain] **Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.  
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.**

**Upon the mountain my God spoke, out of God's mouth came fire and smoke.  
Looked all around me; looked so fine; I asked my God if all were mine. [refrain]**

**O Jordan river, chilly and cold, it chills the body, not the soul.  
There's only one train on this track; it runs to heaven, then right back. [refrain]**

\*PRAYER IN THE SPIRIT OF JESUS

**Earth-Maker, Life-Giver, Pain-Bearer, Source of all that is and all that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all, Loving God in whom is Heaven:  
May the hallowing of your name echo through the universe.  
May your Heavenly will be done by all creatures great and small.  
And may your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.  
With the bread we need this day, feed us. For the hurt we inflict on one another, forgive us.  
Through times of temptation, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is Love.**

\*GREETING OF PEACE

ANTHEM

*Choose Something Like a Star*  
CHANCEL CHOIR • Cheryl Anderson, director

Randall Thompson

GOSPEL

*John 7:37-38*

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out,  
"Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the  
scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.' "

SERMON

*Drink Up!*

Pastor Dave

RESPONSE

SPIRIT

**Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free,  
Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY

*Why I Give?  
Dance for Love*



Joliene Wade Gatlin  
Z. Randall Stroope

\*COVENANT

**We covenant with God and with each other:  
to walk together in all God's ways as the Holy is revealed to us;  
to give ourselves freely and without reserve to Jesus' ministry in this church;  
to celebrate through worship God's amazing gifts of unity and diversity;  
to take up Christ's mission around the world, striving for justice and peace;  
to care for the earth and all her creatures, reconciling ourselves to them in love;  
for God gives immeasurable grace into all life and every life.**

\*HYMN 293 [hymn sheet]

*Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

\*BENEDICTION

*Old Irish Blessing*

Denes Agay

POSTLUDE

*Fugue in D minor, BWV 539*

J.S.Bach

*Slowly*

1 There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I  
 2 There are bless - ings you can - not re - ceive till you

know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are  
 know that Spir - it's full - ness and be - lieve; you're the

sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I  
 one to prof - it when you say, "I am

*to Refrain*

know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.  
 going to stay with Je - sus all the way."

*This is one of the most popular gospel songs from the corpus of African-American songwriters who emerged during the golden age of gospel (1930-1969). Although this era was dominated by the Baptists, Doris Akers had Methodist roots.*

Tune: SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT  
 9.11.9.11. with refrain  
 Doris Akers, 1962

*Refrain*

Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav-en-ly Dove, stay right here

with us, fill-ing us with your love; And for these bless-ings we

lift our hearts in praise. With-out a doubt we'll know that we have

been re - vived when we shall leave this place.