

Forest Hill Church *Service of Worship*

May 31, 2020 at 11:00 am

Gather around the computer to worship God!

Please join our YouTube Live Stream:

<https://youtu.be/SNqnIXtMX1M>

Centering Words

*Come, O Holy Spirit, come;
Wa wa wa Emimimo (Yoruba)*

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT

Nigerian song

“Come, O Holy Spirit, Come”
Led by Beth Zych and Carl Jenks

Greeting Our God with Joy

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the last days it will be, God declares,

People: **That I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh.**

Leader: Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. Let us worship God.

*The celebration of God’s promise in Spanish, Korean, Mooré and Yoruba
AJ Garache, Eun-Joo Ahn, Emmanuel Sabo, and Damos Solaru.
(All reading Acts 2:17)*

HYMN NO. 280

“Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us”

Come O Spirit, dwell among us; come with Pentecostal power;
Give the church a stronger vision; help us face each crucial hour.
Built upon a firm foundation, Jesus Christ, the cornerstone,
Still the church is called to mission that God’s love shall be made known.

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; give us words of fire and flame.
Help our feeble lips to praise you, glorify your holy name.
Creator, Son and Holy Spirit, Three in One: what mystery!
We would sing our loud hosannas now and through eternity.

Renewing Our Relationship with God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND YEARNING:

Spirit of wind and flame, blow open the doors we erect to keep ourselves sealed off from your world. We long to be set free from the fears that jail us and to be released from chains that bind us. We yearn to draw near to your source of living water, and to drink deeply from its well. We want to be cleansed in your holy fire, and to be driven into the streets by your winds of grace. Come to us, and heal us once more, Mighty Spirit, that we may embrace your gifts in service to a world in need. Amen.

Affirming the Good News in Our Lives

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Forest Hill Church: diverse, inclusive, welcoming

Alleluia

Jeannette Sorell



ANTHEM

Karl Jenkins

“Healing Light: a Celtic Prayer”

Opening Our Hearts to God's Word

FROM THE LIVING WORD

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷‘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 your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

After the readings

Hear what the Holy Spirit is telling God’s people.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN NO. 288

“Spirit of the Living God”

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me (2x)
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Espíritu del Dios viviente, cae de nuevo sobre mí (2x)
Derretirme; moldearme llename; úsame.
Espíritu del Dios viviente, vuelve a caer sobre mí.

Sermon

Rev. Dr. John C. Lentz, Jr.

“What a Day”

THE 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.

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

To participate in our online Friendship Register, please leave a comment in the Live Chat box listing the names of those participating in this morning's Live Worship or email the office.

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY

Anne Wilson

“The Wolf Shall Dwell with the Lamb”

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Going Forth to Live as God’s People

CLOSING HYMN 641

“When in Our Music God Is Glorified”

When in our music God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride,
It is as though the whole creation cried: Alleluia!

How often, making music, we have found a new dimension in the world of sound,
As worship moved us to a more profound Alleluia!

Let every instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always: Alleluia!

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Peter Lutkin

“The Lord Bless you and Keep You”

POSTLUDE

J. S. Bach

“Fugue in E flat Major”



Notes & Announcements

Prayer Requests:

To request prayers for a personal concern, please email Pastor Lentz (pastorlentz@fhcpresb.org) or Pastor Goines (pastorgoines@fhcpresb.org) for inclusion next week’s congregational prayer.

Prayers are requested this week for: Mark Davidson, the family of Joann and Bob Dawson, Marcie Denton, Rita Grube, Deborah Howard, the family of David and Anne Hunter, Joanna Klingenstein, the family of Baldwin Sawyer, and Harold Thomas.

Please remember these homebound members in your prayers: Doris Brandt, Marge Drollinger, Al Gilbert, Florence and Ron Klein, Emelia McGuire, Margie Stauffer, Elaine Tapié, and Beryl and Henrietta Williams.

Care Group: The Corinth Care Group will assist our pastors with members’ needs in **May**. Please call the church office to report an illness, hospitalization, family emergency, birth or death. Information will be passed on to the **Care Group leader, Marjorie (Margie) Ravas**.

Thank you, all office volunteers: Lynda Bernays, Cathy Ghiandoni, Ellen McChesney, and Anne Smith.

The deadline for the bulletin and weekly email is Tuesday of each week at 5 pm. The next TOWER deadline is **June 11 (for July and August TOWER) at 8:00 am**. Please submit your written requests to office@fhcpresb.org.

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Coming Up

THIS WEEK

Bible and Bagels (Bible Study) discusses next Sunday’s texts on Wednesday mornings (virtually) from 7:30 am to 8:30 am. The lessons for this week are: **Gen. 1:1-2, 4a; Ps. 8, 2 Cor. 13: 11-13; Matt. 28: 16-20**.

Calendar: May 31-June 7

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| <p>Sunday, May 31: Farewell Anne Wilson 9:30 am Children’s Worship (online) 11:00 am Worship (online)</p> <p>Monday, June 1: 6:00 pm AA: Progress not Perfection 7:00 pm Al Anon: Now There’s Hope OA Big Book Meeting</p> <p>Tuesday, June 2: 11:00 am Abundance Pantry Registration and Distribution 5:00 pm Bulletin and Weekly Email Deadline</p> <p>Wednesday, June 3: 7:30 am Bible and Bagels (online) 12:00 pm Staff Meeting (conference call)</p> | <p>Thursday, June 4:</p> <p>Friday, June 5: 10:00 am Al Anon: Hand in Hand</p> <p>Saturday, June 6:</p> <p>Sunday, June 7: 9:30 am Children’s Worship (online) 11:00 am Worship (online)</p> |
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