

First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia



CELEBRATION!

Day of Pentecost

May 19, 2024

Welcome

The Reverend Dr. Baron Mullis

Opening Acclamation

Open our lips, O Lord,

And our mouths shall proclaim your praise!

***Song**

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord;
there are sweet expressions on each face,
and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Refrain:

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
when we shall leave this place.

There are blessings you cannot receive
till you know him in his fullness and believe;
you're the one to profit when you say,
"I am going to walk with Jesus all the way." (Refrain)

***Prayer (unison)**

The Reverend Laura Colee

Lord God, we love you. We trust you. And we know that you love us, and that you will never leave us.

Today, we celebrate together because of everything you have done for us!

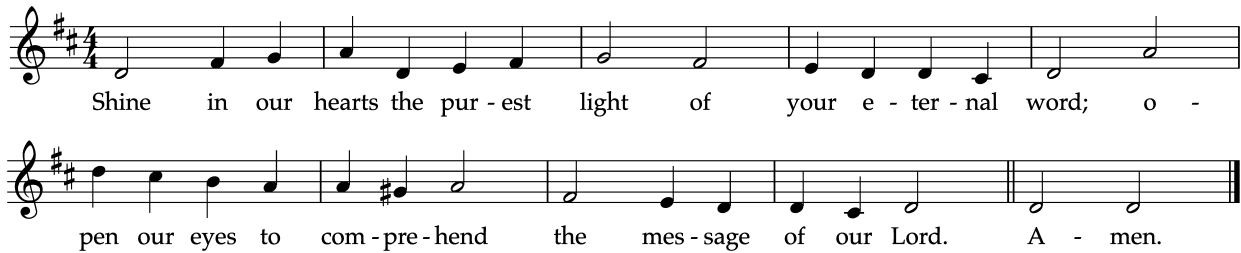
Lord, you always keep your promises, but we do not. We say we want to follow Jesus, but our actions do not match up with our words. We say mean things to other people, we hurt their feelings, we think of ourselves first, and, worst of all, we ignore you.

Lord, forgive us and hear our prayers for Jesus' sake, that we offer to you in silence...

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination



Shine in our hearts the pur-est light of your e-ter-nal word; o -
pen our eyes to com-pre-hend the mes-sage of our Lord. A - men.

Reading the Word of God

Acts 2:1-13

Seeing and Touching the Word

Reflections

Dr. Mullis

*Song

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

*The Nicene Creed

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

Crystal Reeck	Spanish	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,
Gui Siqueira	Portuguese	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,
Laura Colee	Hebrew	was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.
Baron Mullis	Greek	For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
Becky Yep	French	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

Stefan Huber	German	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,
Crystal Reeck	Italian	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.
Amy Wang Huber	Mandarin	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.
(All)		Amen.

Offering (You may remain seated during the Doxology.)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise
 God above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

The Lord's Supper

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 God thanks and praise.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Let us keep the feast!

Prayer after Communion (unison)

God, who takes care of each one of us, thank you for feeding us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation; now send us out into the world to tell everyone about your love.

Amen.

*Closing Song

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

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, when my Lord spoke, out of God's mouth came fire and smoke.

Looked all around me, it looked so fine, till I asked my Lord if all was mine. (Refrain)

Jordan River, chilly and cold, it chills the body but not the soul.

There is but one train upon this track. It runs to heaven and then right back. (Refrain)

Benediction and Going Forth

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 19, 2024

End of Year Sunday School Party - Today!

Join us for our End of the Year Sunday School Party after our Celebration service around 10:00 a.m. We'll play games, enjoy ice cream from Mom & Pop Freezie Ice, and celebrate the end of the Sunday School year until September.

Twenties & Thirties Brunch - Today

The T&Ts will go for our regular brunch outing today after the 11 a.m. service! We'll be dining at Rosy's Taco Bar on the corner of 23rd & Walnut streets. See Laura Colle if you'd like to join.

Souls Shot Portrait Project Exhibition

First Church is hosting the Souls Shot Portrait Project Exhibition in Old Buttonwood Hall. The portraits are of loved ones lost to gun violence, created by local artists in conversation with grieving families. Consider inviting your friends and neighbors to view the exhibition; exhibition hours are Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. through May 29.

Membership at First Church

First Church is scheduling a new members class in June. If you are interested in becoming a member of First Church, please contact Rev. Laura Colee (laura.colee@fpcphila.org).

Save the Date - June 2 Missions Fair

The Missions Committee is hosting a Missions Fair on June 2 in Old Buttonwood Hall. We have invited a number of our mission partners to join us for the fellowship hour after worship. The congregation will have an opportunity to talk with some of our partners about their upcoming projects and ways that the church get involved. Be sure to check it out!

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