



TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Liturgy for Home Worship

Pentecost Sunday
— May 31, 2020 —

Words for Reflection

Pentecost symbolizes a new beginning. It celebrates the unleashing of the Holy Spirit on the world and the empowering of the church to reach the world with the gospel. In celebrating Pentecost, the church expresses its gratitude for the faithfulness of Christ in fulfilling his promise to send “another counselor” (John 14:16); celebrates the work of the Spirit in renewing all of creation; professes its confidence and security in knowing the Spirit’s power is available for its mission; and grows in awareness of the immensity of its calling to reach the world with the gospel.

- The Worship Sourcebook

As much as these psalms of lamentation may be of help in times of personal sorrow, we should not forget that as they now stand, they are the prayers of the community. We should continue to pray them even when we are not individually in any particular trouble, because we pray these psalms for the whole of God’s people. In these prayers we seek to bear the sorrow of others. We help our brothers and sisters in Christ carry their burdens. This is what sympathy really is: to enter into the sorrow of another and to suffer with the other...So long as there is suffering in the world, the church must lament before God; the church must cry out in pain. We continue the ministry of reconciliation when we pray with one another for one another.

-Hughes Oliphant Old

Lament in the Bible is a liturgical response to the reality of suffering and engages God in the context of pain and trouble. The hope of lament is that God would respond to human suffering that is wholeheartedly communicated through lament.

- Soong-Chan Rah

The Call to Worship

God invites and calls us into His presence to worship Him. He enters into our busy lives to speak to us.

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

we dwell in him and he in us.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him,

and speak of all his marvelous works.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,

who was and is and is to come!

—based on Psalm 105:1-2; Romans 5:5; Revelation 4:8

Hymn of Praise | Almighty God

We sing praises to God and proclaim through song the good news of what He has done in Jesus' death and resurrection. Some songs might be initially unfamiliar, but we believe the rich, true, beautiful words of these hymns will make their way into your heart.

Almighty God to You all hearts are open
Search and know our thoughts and anxious fears
Wash us in the fountain of Your mercy
Come with Your light, we cannot hide from You

Almighty God to You all hearts are open
With gratitude we raise our song to You
Come and fill the praises of your people
In grace and truth, you make us new again

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah

Almighty God to You all hearts are open
We long for more than what this world provides
No shallow spring will ever satisfy us
Your river deep floods over everything

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah

Words & Music: Sandra McCracken, Leslie Jordan, & David Leonard

Opening Prayer & Lord's Prayer

We ask for God to be present among us and conclude with the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray.

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Doxology

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

Prayer of Confession & Lament

We fight the temptation to hide our sin and instead acknowledge it openly to God, but we do so in light of the grace offered in Jesus.

Hear our cry, O Lord. Be merciful and forgive our many sins. Enter into the pain and sorrow of our broken community. Send comfort to those who are grieving. Break our hearts for those whose lives have been shattered by violence, injustice, and death. Protect us from cold indifference, and cause the hope of the gospel to be seen and known in Your people until You make all things new. Amen.

Silent Confession & Lament

Assurance of Forgiveness

God reminds our forgetful hearts of the grace that is ours in Jesus.

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

—Psalm 34:18 & 1 Peter 2:24 ESV

Hymn of Response | God the Spirit

We respond in thanks and praise for God's redemptive work in Christ.

Holy Fount of inspiration
By whose gift the great of old
Spoke the Word of revelation
Marvelous and manifold

*God the Spirit we adore Thee,
In the Triune Godhead One
One in love and power and glory
With the Father and the Son*

Author of the new creation,
Giver of the second birth
May thy ceaseless renovation
Cleanse our souls from stains of earth
(Chorus)

When we wander, Lord direct us,
Keep us in the Master's way
Let thy strong swift sword protect us
Warring in the evil day
Shall the church now faint or fear
When the Comforter is near?
(Chorus)

Words: Samuel J. Stone

Music: Matt Boswell

Confession of Faith | The Heidelberg Catechism #53

We join the church in history by confessing this basic statement of what Christians believe.

Q. What do you believe concerning the Holy Spirit?

A. First, that the Spirit, with the Father and the Son, is eternal God. Second, that the Spirit is given also to me, so that, through true faith, he makes me share in Christ and all his benefits, comforts me, and will remain with me forever.

The Offering

In gratitude, we offer our gifts to God. You may give online at www.trinitypresfw.org/give or through the Church Center App.

All Creatures of our God and King

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
Refrain: O praise Him! O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in Heaven along,
O praise Him! Alleluia!

Thou rushing morn in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening find a voice,
(Refrain)

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship Him in humbleness.
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son
And praise the Spirit, Three in One
(Refrain)

Words: St. Francis of Assisi; Music: Traditional German Tune

The Prayers of the People

We lift up our requests to God knowing that He hears us when we pray.

Departing Hymn | The Church's One Foundation

We respond in faith and song.

The church's one foundation, Is Jesus Christ
her Lord,
She is His new creation, By water and the
Word.
From heaven He came and sought her, To
be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, And for
her life He died.

Elect from every nation, Yet one over all the
earth;
Her charter of salvation, One Lord, one
faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses, Partakes one
holy food,
And to one hope she presses, With every
grace endued.

Mid toil and tribulation, And tumult of her
war,
She waits the consummation, Of peace
forevermore;
'Til, with the vision glorious, Her longing
eyes are blessed,
And the great church victorious, Shall be
the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union, With God the
Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion, With those
whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace
that we
Like them, the meek and lowly, On high
may dwell with Thee.

Words: Samuel John Stone; Music: Brian Moss

The Benediction

God sends us out with his blessing. A benediction is not a prayer. We don't bow our heads. We lift them up and even lift up our hands to receive his blessing as we are sent out as participants in His mission to Fort Worth.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

—Romans 15:13 ESV

The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world to love God, love people, and love Fort Worth.

Pastor: Let us go forth to serve Fort Worth and the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

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