

## *A Warm Welcome to our Guests and Visitors!*

Our church has a wonderful array of ministries that seek to spread the gospel into the world. If you are interested in finding out more about the church community or are interested in becoming a member, please contact us at:

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### **Calendar for this week:**

**Sunday, May 23**

10:30 am      Worship

Preaching.....	Pastor Corey Lange
Ushers & Greeters.....	Ralph & Mary Pester
Organist.....	George French
Music Director.....	Sandy Perkins
Reader.....	Sandy Perkins

**Wednesday, May 26**

6 pm                      Bell Rehearsal

**Next Sunday, May 30**

9 am                      JOINT WORSHIP with Trinity Lutheran @ TLC

11 am                     Joint Worship at Trinity Pointe



Volunteers who signed up to help deliver Home Delivered Meals this is the week you're delivering, May 24 – 28!

*Thank you for your help with this great service!*

# *First Presbyterian Church*

Day of Pentecost

Sunday, May 23, 2021

\*Those who are able may stand

PREWORSHIP FELLOWSHIP

PRELUDE MUSIC

The Bells of Praise

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

SONG OF CONTEMPLATION

Holy Spirit Come to Us



**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)**

Do you hear it,

**the sound of rushing wind beginning to fill this house?**

Do you see it,

**the glowing pillars of fire reflecting in every pair of eyes?**

Do you feel it,

**God moving in this place, calling us to worship?**

The Spirit has come! The church is born!

**Let us worship God with thanksgiving!**

**\*GATHERING HYMN #366....."Love Devine, All Loves Excelling"**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

**O God, as your Spirit filled the church on the first Pentecost day, so fill this house of worship with your presence, and fill us with your passion. You are doing a new thing, actively moving in the world. Forgive us when we act as if your stories have all been written. You hear the prayers of every language and call us to hear each other. Forgive us when we act as if your Spirit only spoke our native tongue. Wash us in your grace, O God, and illumine us with your fire. Send us out to follow your spirit and teach us to hear the prayers of all your people.**

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (Responsive)**

Hear the good news of God’s promise; I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!**  
(Please share signs of peace with each other at a distance!)

**\*RESPONSE HYMN #288 .....”Spirit of the Living God”**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Responsive)**

God of power and grace, fill us with your wisdom of your Word and the understanding of your Spirit so that we may be your church: a people with dreams and visions at work in all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord **Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE**

**FIRST READING ..... Ezekiel 37:1-14**

**SECOND READING.....Acts 2:1-21**

*Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God!***

**GOSPEL READING ..... John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15**

*Leader: The word of the Lord. People: **Praise to You, O Christ***

**SERMON** **Pastor Corey Lange**

**SILENCE FOR REFLECTION**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY #291.....”Spirit”**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

L: Lord in your Mercy. **C: *Hear our prayer***

**THE LORD’S PRAYER (*forgive us our “sins”*)**

**\*BLESSING AND CHARGE (Responsive)**

Now go forth in Jesus’ name, remembering his new commandment to love one another, just as he has loved us. **Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN #300.....”We Are One in the Spirit”**

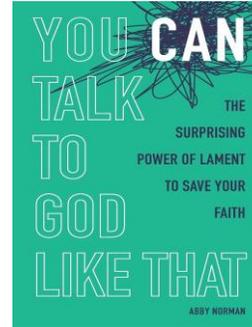
**\*DISMISSAL (Responsive)**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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**ALL ARE WELCOME!**



**Join us for a new book study**

**When: Thursdays at 1 p.m.**

**Dates: Starting June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Where: FPC – fireside room**

**Leader: Pastor Corey Lange**

***Let us know if you’d like to join us!***

Praise is the only path to God--at least this is what many of us have been taught. But the notion that we have to be positive all the time, putting on a happy face through anger, frustration, and pain, hinders our ability not only to heal ourselves and society, but to have an authentic relationship with the Divine.

We long to connect with God over the very real sorrow in our lives and in the world around us, but so many of us were never shown how. This lack of knowing how to lament--an ancient practice of expressing anger and pain to God--damages us personally and spiritually.

Pastor Abby Norman is here to tell us that we can talk to God like that. In her fresh, tell-it-like-it-is voice, she unpacks the power of lament, providing us with the tools and the grace-filled permission to heal the problems we have been ignoring for too long. She shows us how to express our laments to God and to each other when things are definitely not okay. And through this process we will discover a richer connection with God--who has wanted nothing more than our whole selves from the start.

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**Please continue to be in prayer for:**

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| Mary Pester              | Bladen Melsa   |
| Lori Folkers             | Wally Hoselton |
| Doris Davis              | Brent Blake    |
| Kayse & Jordan’s newborn | JoAnn Westburg |
| Victor & Katya Obisakin  |                |
| Brett Schultz            |                |



### **HOLY SPIRIT, COME TO US**

Holy Spirit, come to us; kindle in us the fire of your love.  
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### **LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING**

Love divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling; all the faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion; pure, unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast;  
Let us all in thee inherit; let us find the promised rest.  
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver, let us all thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts  
above, pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be;  
Let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee:  
Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,  
Till we cast our crowns before thee,  
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### **refrain**

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

You moved on the waters; you called to the deep;  
Then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;  
And over the eons you called to each thing,  
“Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.”

### **refrain**

You swept through the desert; you stung with the sand;  
And you goaded your people with a law and a land.  
When they were confounded with idols and lies,  
Then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.

### **refrain**

You sang in a stable; you cried from a hill;  
Then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still.  
And down in the city, you called once again  
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.

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We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;  
We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;  
We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other; we will work side by side;  
We will work with each other; we will work side by side,  
And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,  
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