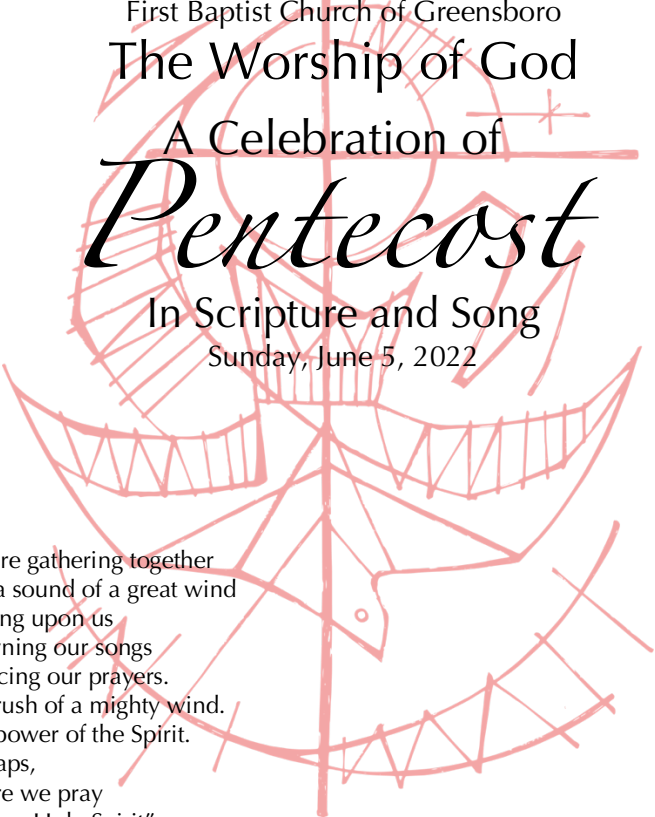


First Baptist Church of Greensboro
The Worship of God

A Celebration of
Pentecost

In Scripture and Song

Sunday, June 5, 2022



Picture gathering together
and a sound of a great wind
rushing upon us
drowning our songs
silencing our prayers.
The rush of a mighty wind.
The power of the Spirit.
Perhaps,
before we pray
"Come, Holy Spirit"
Perhaps
before we pray
"Set us on fire"
Perhaps
we should
trembling
bow the head
and pray
"Strength, LORD"
Courage, LORD"
Endurance, LORD"
Trust, LORD"
and then
at last as the roaring rises about us
pray
"Come."

—Susan Palo Cherwien

Steeple Bells 10:30 am

Christ Candle

Opening the Bible Griffin Kesler

Opening Sentences Rev. Doug Vancil

Promise of the Spirit

Scripture Reading Baker Lawrimore

Acts 1.1-2

Choral Anthem Sanctuary Choir

"If Ye Love Me" setting by Philip Wilby

*If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,
and He shall give you another Comforter,
that He may abide with you forever; even the Spirit of Truth.
And ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.
I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.*

—John 14.15-18

Scripture Reading Baker Lawrimore

Acts 1.3-11

†Congregational Anthem Sanctuary Choir

"Crown Him!" Dan Forrest

choir: *Alleluia!*

bass voices: ***Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne:
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.***

choir: *Alleluia . . . alleluia!*

bass voices: ***Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.***

choir: *Alleluia . . . alleluia!*

treble voices: **Crown Him the Lord of love: behold His hands and side—
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified;
no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his wondering eye at mysteries so bright.**

choir: *Alleluia . . . alleluia!*

everyone: **Crown Him the Lord of life! who triumphed o'er the grave,
who rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save;
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.**

choir: *Alleluia . . . alleluia!*

everyone: **Crown Him the Lord of heav'n: One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit through Him giv'n from yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise, for Thou for us hast died;
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days adored and magnified!**

Words of Friendship Rev. Buck Cochran

A Time for Children Autumn Culbreth

Confession Terri Vancil

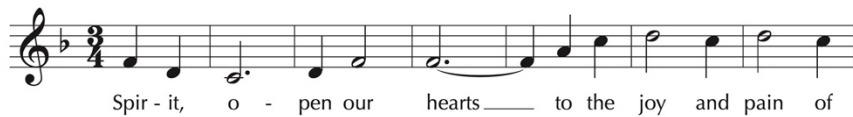
Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Prayer Song

Children, Rev. Clark Sorrells *cantor*



3.

*God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender.
All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender.*

*Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory.*

*May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of sister, brother.
In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another.*

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Signs of the Spirit

Faith Story Rev. Amy Starr Russell

Scripture Reading Rev. Russell
Acts 2.1-21

Musical Meditation Rev. Sorrells

"Reflets dans l'eau" Claude Debussy

Today marks the 20th anniversary of the dedication of the Baldwin concert grand piano built in 1915, purchased from Chowan College and rebuilt by master piano technician and Westerwood neighbor John Foy in 2002.

This musical selection translated "Reflections in the Water" was composed in 1905. The music not only employs the full artistry range of the instrument and the player but is also highly impressionistic, compelling the observer to imagine pictures, emotions, senses, and objects of the natural and spiritual world.

Use these moments of reflection to imagine how the Holy Spirit has moved and is moving in the world. Some may choose to simply watch the pianist. Others may want to close eyes and listen. Still others will find it helpful to color the sheet that was given to each worshiper at the entrance door today.

Prayer Rev. Cherry

You are the breath and the fire
with which the Word of God is spoken,

**the wind on which the gospel is borne
anywhere and to anyone in the world.**

4.

It is your work and the wonder of your inspiration
whenever people experience that Jesus lives.

**That we follow him, that he becomes our way,
that women and men acknowledge that he is worth
all the trouble that this life can bring—
this is your enthusiasm and your power in us.**

You are the life-giving Spirit that frees us, dangerous and compelling for all
who cling to worldly goods and ties of kin.

You are both promise and uncertainty, both poverty and grace.

We pray to you: give us life, as you raised Jesus,
our Redeemer, to life from the dead.

**Make us fire of your fire, light of your light,
as the Son of Man, Jesus, is light of the eternal light in you
and God of God, today and every day, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Prayer Song

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. Spir - it of the
Spir - it of the liv - ing God, move a - mong us all; make us one in

liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me. Melt me; mold me; fill me;
heart and mind, make us one in love: hum - ble, car - ing, self - less,

use me. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.
shar - ing— Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fill our lives with love!

Fruit of the Spirit

Scripture Reading Amelia Britt
Romans 8.14-17, Galatians 5.22-23

The Lord's Supper
Rev. Willis, Debbie Huneycutt, deacon chair

Communion Anthem Sanctuary Choir, Clark and Karen Sorrells *piano*
"I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing" Howard Helvey

Invitation to Respond Rev. Willis

†Offertory Hymn 293
"Spirit, Working in Creation" STUTTGART

stanza one: **everyone** (Genesis 1.1-2)
stanza two: **everyone** (II Timothy 3.16-17)
stanza three: **treble voices** (Luke 1.35-36)
stanza four: **choir alone** (Matthew 3.16-17)
stanza five: **everyone** (Mark 1.12-13)
stanza six: **bass voices** (John 14.15-17)
stanzas seven: **everyone**

Called Business Session Debbie Huneycutt, deacon chairperson

†Benediction Rev. Willis

†Doxology STUTTGART

**Praise and glory, Holy Spirit, for Your love on us outpoured,
giving honor to the Father, and proclaiming Jesus "Lord!"**

The sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God
in honor of the **Sanctuary Choir** by Terri and Doug Vancil



Pentecost Coloring Sheet

This image includes a dove representing the Holy Spirit's descending on Jesus at his baptism. The flame-like wings refer to the coming of the Holy Spirit at the gathering of disciples on the day of Pentecost. The circular frame symbolizes the Spirit moving throughout the world from creation to the present day.

Ten days after the ascension of Christ and fifty days after his resurrection, the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples on the day of Pentecost. Pentecost was an established Jewish festival also known as the Feast of Weeks, which drew people from many nations back to Jerusalem (Lev. 23:15-21; Deut. 16:16).

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 traditional color for Pentecost is red, after the flames described in Acts 2:3.

—The Worship Sourcebook

Today's guest music ministers, **Reverends Clark and Karen Sorrells.**



Clark served as Minister of Music at First Baptist Church of Asheville for 25 years. Previously he held similar positions at Greenwood Forest Baptist Church, Cary, and First Baptist Church, Shelbyville, KY.

Clark holds a Bachelor of Music from Carson Newman University, Jefferson City, Tennessee, and a Master of Music from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. He is currently on the faculty of the Academy for the Arts which he and Karen cofounded at First Baptist Church, Asheville.

Karen received a Bachelor of Arts in Music (Piano) from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Masters in Church Music from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Karen served for over 20 years as Associate Minister of Music at First Baptist Church of Asheville, where she offered leadership to all ages in music ministry. She has taught at the collegiate level, and has taught piano for over 30 years. She has written children's choir curriculum for Growing in Grace and other publications.



For several years, Karen taught at the Fine Arts Summer Academy with the Annie Moses Band in Nashville, Tennessee. Karen is Director of the Academy for the Arts.

Clark and Karen have been frequent choral clinicians and conference leaders at both denominational and educational events on the state and national level. They are proud parents of three adult children, Lily, Hannah, and Jacob.

293 Spirit, Working in Creation

... and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. Gen. 1:2

Descant

8. Praise and glo - ry, Ho - ly Spir - it, for your love on us out-poured,

1. Spir - it, work - ing in cre - a - tion, bring - ing or - der out of strife:
 2. Spir - it, speak - ing through the proph - ets so the voice of God was heard:
 3. Spir - it, o - ver - shad - owing Ma - ry as the Christ - child in her grew:
 4. Spir - it, com - ing from the Fa - ther as a dove up - on our Lord:

giv - ing hon - or to, the Fa - ther and pro - claim - ing Je - sus "Lord."

come a - mong God's gath - ered peo - ple, giv - ing har - mo - ny and life.
 come, in - spire, a - lert your peo - ple to this day's pro - phet - ic word.
 come, so that the Christ with - in us may to - day be born a - new.
 come up - on your fa - vored peo - ple, may your bless - ings be out - poured.

5. Spirit, driving to the desert
 even God's Anointed One:
 come to us in trial and testing
 that God's will in us be done.

6. Spirit, breathed on the disciples,
 giving peace where there was fear:
 come among us, touch us, send us,
 making Jesus' presence near.

7. Spirit, wind and flame, empowering
 fearless witness to the lost:
 come, unite, renew your wonders;
 give us a new Pentecost.

8. Praise and glory, Holy Spirit,
 for your love on us outpoured,
 giving honor to the Father
 and proclaiming Jesus "Lord."