

First Baptist Church at Worship

May 20, 2018

Ten-thirty O'clock in the Morning

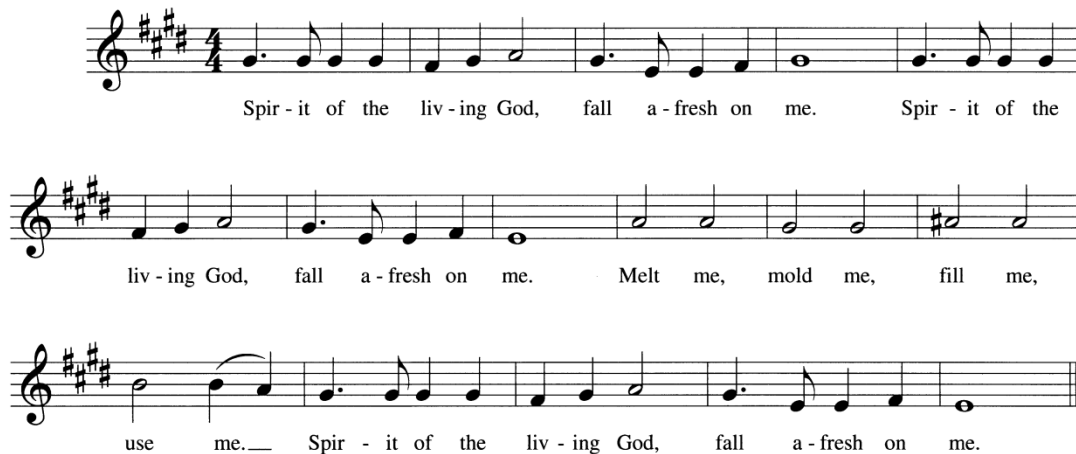
PENTECOST

veni creator spiritus

Introit

setting by Allen Pote

Our worship begins with the singing of two prayers: first, the ancient chant,
Veni creator spiritus (Come, Creator, Spirit), will be sung; then the
congregation will be invited to sing:



- Daniel Iverson

Call to Worship

Austin Carty

From the valley of dry bones, we cry:

Come, Spirit, and renew the earth!

"I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live; you shall know that I am the Lord."

Come, Spirit, and renew Your church!

+Hymn 225

On Pentecost They Gathered

ST. THEODULPH

+Prayer of Confession

Paul Sims

+Response

HYMN TO JOY

On this day of expectation when Your Spirit fill our hearts,

We become a new creation in the strength Your breath imparts.

Come again, and bless all nations, joining all our aged and youth

In Your joyous celebrations, guiding us to know Your truth.

Knit our dry bones back together; grant our flesh to know rebirth.

May we live in You forever, as You give our lives new worth.

Stand us on our feet, rejoicing, singing praise for all Your gifts,

With each breath devotion voicing, as Your truth the church uplifts.

- Lavon Bayler

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Children's Sermon

Larry Gray

The Valley of Dry Bones – from Ezekiel 37

Paul Sims

Psalm 104

by Hal Hopson



O Lord, send down your Spir - it, and make us new a - gain.

Lord, how great you are! How beautiful the world you made.

The moon and stars on high, the flowers and the hills,

O God, you made them all, they still are in your hand. REFRAIN

Lord, we bless your name, your glory shout forevermore.

You feed us by your hand, you guide us by your love,

I'll sing my whole life long, and you will be my song. REFRAIN

The Coming of the Holy Spirit – from Acts 2

Austin Carty

'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.

'Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

'And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

'Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

+Spiritual Song

I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing

I'M GONNA SING



1. I'm gon-na sing when the Spir-it says sing, I'm gon-na sing when the Spir-it says



sing; — I'm gon-na sing when the Spir-it says sing and o - bey the Spir-it of the Lord.

2. I'm gonna shout... 3. I'm gonna pray ... 4. I'm gonna preach ... 5. I'm gonna sing ...

Sermon

“Oh, Dry Bones, Hear the Word of the Lord”

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+Hymn

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Lord of the Church, We Pray for Our Renewing

If you wish to present yourself for membership today, or if you have another decision to share, please come to the front of the sanctuary during the hymn and a minister will receive you. You are welcome here.

Lord of the church, we pray for our renewing:

Christ over all, our undivided aim.

Fire of the Spirit, burn for our enduing,

Wind of the Spirit, fan the living flame!

We turn to Christ amid our fear and failing,

The will that lacks the courage to be free,

The weary labors, all but unavailing,

To bring us nearer what a church should be.

Lord of the church, we seek a Father's blessing,

A true repentance and a faith restored,

A swift obedience and a new possessing,

Filled with the Holy Spirit of the Lord!

We turn to Christ from all our restless striving,

Unnumbered voices with a single prayer –

The living water for our souls' reviving,

In Christ to live, and love and serve and care.

- Timothy Dudley-Smith

+Offertory Prayer

Sandi Curd

Offertory Anthem

O Breath of Life

by David Ashley White

O Breath of Life, come sweeping through us, revive Your church with life and power.

O Breath of Life, come, cleanse, renew us, and fit Your church to meet this hour.

O Wind of God, come, bend us, break us, till humbly we confess our need.

Then in Your tenderness remake us; revive, restore, for this we plead.

O Breath of Love, come, breathe within us, renewing thought and will and heart.

Come, love of Christ, afresh to win us; revive Your church in every part.

- Bessie Porter Head

Recognition of Graduates

Austin Carty & Paul Sims

Presentation of Scholarships

Jefferson Calico

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

+Doxology for Pentecost

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Praise God who gives all blessings birth; praise God all creatures on the earth:

Alleluia, alleluia.

Praise God, who makes, sustains, sets free – one holy God in person three:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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+ Spiritual Song

I'M GONNA SING

I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing, ... and obey the Spirit of the Lord.

+Commission

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Go forth into the world, forever changed, freed from your narrow vision and limited faithfulness.

We have received new life: these dead bones live again.

Know that the God who raised Christ from the dead is also at work in you to bring life to others.

The winds of God empower us; we will respond in faith and action. Amen.

Organ Postlude

Tell Out, My Soul

setting by Charles Callahan

+ all who are able may stand

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Samuel Garr, clarinet

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