

Falls Village Congregational Church

May 31, 2020 - Pentecost

Order of Worship

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Welcome and Words of Introduction

Prelude

Call to Worship

A mighty wind has blown,

and tongues of fire have danced!

The presence of the Spirit is with us,

Just as Jesus promised.

The presence of the Spirit moves and gathers us into community.

The Spirit moves us to lives of nurturing and challenging one another, celebrating and witnessing.

Let us marvel at God's power,

God's power at work in and through us.

Hymn 586 Open My Eyes, That I May See

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;

Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free

Refrain: **Silently now I wait for thee, ready my God, thy will to see**

Open my eyes (v.2 ears, v. 3 heart), illumine me, Spirit divine.

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;

And while the wavenotes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear *Refrain*

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;

Open my heart and let me prepare love with they children thus to share. *Refrain*

Opening Prayer

O God: you sent the promised fire of your Spirit to make saints of ordinary people. Once more, as we are waiting, may we be enflamed with such love for you that we may speak boldly in your name, and show your wonderful power to the world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Loving God, who by your love has made us, and through your love has kept us, and in your love would make us perfect: We confess that we have not loved you with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength. We have held back your Spirit in our midst, and failed to allow your power to flow freely through us. Forgive us, Lord, and by your grace, let us become the persons you want us to be. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Responsive Reading – Psalm 99:1-5,9 p. 751

Response: To God all people give thanks; sing praises all people to God.

The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

The Lord sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The Lord is great in Zion, and is exalted over all the peoples.

Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is the Lord! R

Mighty ruler, lover of justice, you have established equity;

You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Extol the Lord our God; worship at God's footstool. Holy is the Lord!

Extol the Lord our God, and worship at God's holy mountain; for the Lord is holy. R

Gloria Patri

Offering of the Peace

Old Testament Scripture –Numbers 11:24-30

New Testament Scripture- John 20:19-23

Sermon – Peace Be with You

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 530 I've Got Peace Like a River

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,

I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,

I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain.

I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain.

I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like and ocean.

I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like and ocean.

I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

Benediction

Postlude “God Be with You till We Meet Again”