



PRELUDE - Dream City Jazz Trio¹

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME & OPENING SENTENCES

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Acts 2:1-4

Leader: All together in one place;

People: **they heard the rush of a violent wind;**

Leader: it filled the entire house.

People: **Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared and rested on each of them; they were filled with the Holy Spirit.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

***HYMN 408**

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit, Sweet, Sweet Spirit²

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Spirit of God, we hesitate and doubt. You call us to act boldly but our fear keeps us from following your call. Forgive our lack of courage. Embolden us to dream big and trust the Spirit to fill us and use us. Help us be Christ's church without hesitation. Guided by your Holy Spirit, help us usher in your reign to come (*continue with silent confession*). Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Acts 2:21

Leader: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed. Thanks be to God.**

***ACCLAMATION HYMN 283**

Come, O Holy Spirit, Come, Wa Emimimo³

The congregation and choir will echo the cantor when indicated.

***PASSING THE PEACE** *(please use a fist/elbow bump or wave for your greeting)*

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Please turn to the back wall and wave to our online worshippers, offering them the peace of Christ and then greet each other.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

ANTHEM

Dry Bones, arr. T. Fettke/T. Grassi⁴

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: '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.'

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

After the message, children may follow the teacher to room 11 for Spiritual Adventures.

SERMON

Rattling Bones

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 291

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness, Spirit⁵

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer

CHORAL PRAYER RESPONSE HYMN 288

*Spirit of the Living God, Living God*⁶

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

OFFERTORY

*Just a Closer Walk, Trad.*⁷

***DEDICATION HYMN 607** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*, Old Hundred⁸
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Christ, all people here below.
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

You have blessed each of us with gifts to serve and share, most generous God. May the offerings we present today be used to further your reign and build your beloved community. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 66**

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit, Pentecost*⁹

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

*Swing Low, Sweet Chariot, Trad.*¹⁰

Leaders Today:

Pastor: Rev. Scott Anderson
Minister of Music: Joe Chrisman
The Chancel Choir

Liturgist: Linda Moss
AV/Tech: John Tarr

Dream City Jazz: Anthony Deutsch, piano/vocal; John Christensen, bass;
Devin Drobka, drums

Ushers/Greeters: Abe & Carrie Aberle, Ed Cothroll, Sandra Cole (Deacon)

