

MAY 24 2026 ORDER OF WORSHIP

DAY OF PENTECOST

- I. PRELUDE: Robin Wohlfeil  
Robin's Choice
- II. WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS: Nikki Blanks
  - A. Welcome
  - B. Announcements
- III. OPENING PRAYER: Liturgist

One: Please rise in body or in spirit and join in the opening prayer as it appears in your bulletin: Holy Spirit, Creator, in the beginning you moved over the waters. From your breath all creation drew life. Without you, life turns to dust.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit!**

One: Holy Spirit, Counselor, by your inspiration, the prophets spoke and acted in faith. You clothed them in power to be bearers of your Word.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit!**

One: Holy Spirit, Power, you came as fire to Jesus' disciples; you gave them voice before the rulers of this world.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit!**

One: Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, you created us children of God; you make us the living temple of your presence; you intercede within us with sighs too deep for words.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit!**

One: Holy Spirit, Giver of life, you guide and make holy the church you create; you give gifts— the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and fortitude, the spirit of knowledge and piety, the spirit of the fear of the Lord, that the whole creation may become what you want it to be.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit! Amen.**

One: Now, let us continue to worship, singing hymn #283-Come, O Holy Spirit, Come

IV. OPENING SONG: Robin

**283- Come, O Holy Spirit Come**

V. CONFESSION & ASSURANCE: Liturgist

A. Call to Confession

Please be seated. Now, friends, let us draw near to God with sincerity of heart and full assurance of faith, our guilty hearts sprinkled clean, our bodies washed with pure water. Let us confess our sins before God and one another. Please join me in the prayer of confession as it appears in your bulletin:

B. Prayer of Confession

One: For ignoring the vision breathed by the living Spirit churning deep within our souls;

**All: Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy. Have mercy upon us.**

One: For refusing to look at the vision alive within those who look or act or sound different from us;

**All: Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy. Have mercy upon us.**

One: For choosing familiarity, ease, and comfort rather than risking the opportunities afforded in the vision

**All: Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy. Have mercy upon us. And hear us now as we silently pray before you. Amen.**

*PAUSE 30-60 SECONDS FOR SILENT CONFESSION....*

C. Assurance of Pardon

One: Don't be afraid! God's Holy Spirit brings us comfort and hope. We are being prepared to serve God in some mighty ways. Rejoice! God's Holy Spirit is with us always. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

VI. PASSING OF THE PEACE: Liturgist

One: The peace of the Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Now, let us share a sign of God's peace with one another.

VII. SONG OF PRAISE: Robin

**591- Halle, Halle, Hallelujah! (Refrain only)**

VIII. FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Liturgist

A. Prayer for Illumination

Please be seated. Now, as we prepare to hear God's Word for us, let us pray together: O God, open our hearts and minds and souls to hear your word as if for the first time. May your

Holy Spirit help us experience anew the surprise and joy that your presence in the word can bring us. Amen.

## B. Scripture Reading

Our first scripture reading is psalm 104, verses 24 through 34. Hear God's Word for you:

*O Lord, how manifold are your works!*

*In wisdom you have made them all;*

*the earth is full of your creatures.*

*Yonder is the sea, great and wide,*

*creeping things innumerable are there,*

*living things both small and great.*

*There go the ships,*

*and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.*

*These all look to you*

*to give them their food in due season;*

*when you give to them, they gather it up;*

*when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.*

*When you hide your face, they are dismayed;*

*when you take away their breath, they die*

*and return to their dust.*

*When you send forth your spirit, they are created;*

*and you renew the face of the ground.*

*May the glory of the Lord endure forever;*

*may the Lord rejoice in his works—*

*who looks on the earth and it trembles,*

*who touches the mountains and they smoke.*

*I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;*

*I will sing praise to my God while I have being.*

*May my meditation be pleasing to him,*

*for I rejoice in the Lord.*

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

IX. SPECIAL MUSIC: Robin

X. SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Nikki

Numbers 11: 24-30

*So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.*

*Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen*

*men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!' And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.*

XI. MESSAGE: Nikki

XII. SONG OF RESPONSE: Robin

**66- Every Time I Feel the Spirit**

XIII. GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

A. Call to Bring Our Gifts: Nikki

B. Song of Thanks: Robin

**Doxology**

C. Prayer of Thanks: Liturgist

Please join me in prayer over our offerings: O most merciful and gracious God, from whose open hand we all have received much: We ask you to accept this offering of your people. Remember in your love those who have brought it. Remember also those persons and purposes for which it is given. So follow this sacrifice with your blessing that it may promote peace and good will, and advance the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray; Amen.

XIV. SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: Nikki

A. Invitation to the Table

B. Great Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

One: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, eternal God, creator and ruler of the universe. With the majesty of your hand, you shaped this world and all that is in it. By your Holy Spirit, you breathed life into human form, and set us on the earth to praise and serve you. When we wandered from your ways and were lost in sin's wilderness, your truth burned in the hearts of prophets who called your people to return to the path of righteousness. In the fullness of time you sent your Son to be our deliverer. In every age your Holy Spirit has led us in your ways. Therefore, we praise you. AND WE THANK YOU ESPECIALLY FOR THE BLESSINGS WE NAME BEFORE YOU NOW...

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. At his baptism by John, your Spirit came with gentle wings, settling on him your blessing. In the wilderness of temptation, your Spirit stood by with power. In his life and ministry, your Spirit led him to serve the poor, proclaim freedom from sin's bondage, open eyes with faith's sight, and befriend the friendless and the outcast. In all he did and said, he announced the coming of your saving might. By his death on the cross and rising from the tomb, he broke the power of death, and led the way to eternal life. Ascended to rule from on high, Christ prays for us and promises the coming of peace and power.

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us, and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

*Intercessions for the world are included here.* AND WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE WE NAME BEFORE YOU NOW...

By the fire of your Spirit, O God, forge us into one church, many and different people, together in Christ's embrace. Set our hearts aflame with a love for the truth and the desire to do your will, that our witness to Christ may burn brightly in lives of joyful discipleship. Keep us faithful in your service until Christ comes in final victory and we shall feast with all your saints in the joy of your eternal realm. We pray all of these things in the name of Jesus, the one who taught us to pray using these words:

**Our Father...**

- C. Words of Institution
- D. Communion of the People
- E. Prayer After Communion

Gracious God, may we who have received this sacrament live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth your gifts to all the world. As the church, may we rise from the Communion Table and be sent by the power of the Holy Spirit to participate in God's mission to the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

XV. SENDING SONG: Robin

**526- Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ**

XVI. CHARGE & BLESSING: Nikki

One: So now we leave this space of worship. And while so much of the road ahead is uncertain, we know some things that are as solid and sure as the ground beneath our feet, and the sky above our heads.

**All: We know God is love. We know Christ's light endures.**

One: And we can also be certain that wherever the path leads, the know the Holy Spirit is already there,

**All: Found in the space between all things, closer to us than our next breath, binding us to each other, until we meet we again,**

One: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

XVII. POSTLUDE: Robin

Robin's Choice