

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE:

***INTROIT: MV # 9 - Venite, Exultemus Domino**

***WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE:**

Let our hospitality towards each other reflect God's love.
The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

REFLECTIVE MUSIC MV #21: Open Our Hearts

Open our hearts, open our minds.
Open our lives to you O loving God.
Open our hearts.

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

The Spirit came and your Church was born,
in wind and fire and words of power.
The Spirit came blowing fear aside,
and in its place weak hearts were stronger.
The Spirit came as your word foretold,
with dreams and signs, visions and wonders.
The Spirit came and is here today,
to feed the hearts of a world that hungers.

***PRAYER OF APPROACH:**

Come Holy Spirit, come.
Come into our place of worship this day.
Come into each heart, each prayer, each song,
each life here today
so that we may live and love with purpose,
courage, and enthusiasm
serving our world. Amen

***HYMN # 382: Breathe on me, Breath of God**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of Mercy,
We ask for your forgiveness
when we forget the power that lies within,

**and trust instead upon our human strength.
Remind us of that glorious day
when your Spirit
transformed the lives of those who hid in fear,
into people of power.
Renew these hearts which have grown cold
with flames of fire,
as on that Pentecost,
that this might be
the church that you desire. Amen**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

**Hear the Good News!
In Jesus we are no longer slaves to fear.
We are dearly loved children of God.
God's Spirit is among us; we shall live!
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

***HYMN # 377: Holy Spirit, Hear Us**

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

***OFFERTORY HYMN: # 542: We Give You But Your Own**
We give you but your own, whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully.

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

**Holy God,
You speak to us in many ways,
through rushing wind or still small voice,
in Scripture's Word and through your Grace.
Help us hear your voice above the clamour of this world,
recognize the difference and follow only you. Amen**

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:1 - 21

The Word of the Lord – Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: "Come to Jesus" by M. Hayes

Sermon: The Mystery of Pentecost

***HYMN # 380: She Comes Sailing on the Wind**

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Sung Response # 951: Holy, Holy, Holy

**Holy, holy, holy,
my heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words:
You are holy, God!**

***HYMN # 625: I Feel the Winds of God Today**

PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

Holy God, Dreamer of dreams,

We offer Cochrane Street United Church to you. We are your people, this is your church. We come to you seeking your guidance, your purpose, your vision. Align our will with yours, so that we will be willing to do whatever it takes to carry out your plan. We ask you to break through in new ways in our church. Show us the great ministry you have in store for us. Help us dream your dreams. Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, giving us the vision, boldness, and confidence to do all that you call us to do. Amen.

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

SUNG BENEDICTION # 422: God Be With You

God Be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we again.

Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet;
Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

POSTLUDE

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