

First Baptist Church



Growing Toward Christ

May 23, 2021

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

Pentecost Sunday

May 23, 2021

Morning Worship

Eleven O'clock

* Please stand as you are able.

Greeting and Invocation

Rev. Eddie Fort

Prelude

Mrs. Patricia Slomanski
Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart arr. Albin Whitworth
Holy Spirit, Thou Art Welcome in this Place

* **Hymn of Praise, No. 247**

ITALIAN HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King
(Please see this hymn on page 4.)

Pentecost Reading

Congregation

Leader: Holy Spirit, Lord and giver of life: At the beginning of time you moved over the face of the waters; you gave every living thing the breath of life.

People: Come, Creator Spirit, and renew the whole creation.

Leader: Holy Spirit, voice of the prophets: You enflame men and women with passion for your truth, and through them you call your people to the ways of justice and compassion.

People: Come, Spirit of righteousness, and burn in our hearts.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Spirit of Jesus: By your power Jesus came to bring good news to the poor and release to those held captive.

People: Come, liberating Spirit, and free us from the powers of sin and death.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Advocate, Teacher: You speak to us of our Lord and show us the depth of his love.

People: Come, Spirit of truth, abide in us and lead us in the way of Jesus Christ.

Leader: Holy Spirit, wind and flame: You filled disciples with joy and courage, empowering them to preach your Word and to share your good news.

People: Come, Spirit of power, make us bold witnesses of your redeeming love.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Spirit of peace: You break down barriers of language, race, and culture and heal the divisions that separate us.

People: Come, reconciling Spirit, and unite us all in the love of Christ.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Lord and giver of life: At the close of the age all creation will be renewed to sing your praises.

People: Come, Creator Spirit, and make us new creations in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn No. 244

Spirit of the Living God
(Please see this hymn on page 5.)

IVERSON

We invite children to come forward for the Children’s sermon on the last stanza of this hymn. Afterward, children under the age of seven are welcome to attend Children’s Church, or they may return to their seat and worship with the congregation.

Children’s Sermon

Mrs. Sandra Floyd

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Fort

Worship Through Song

There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy

Chancel Choir
Don Michael Dicie

Scripture Reading

Rev. Ricky Creech
President/CEO Boys and Girls Homes of NC

Sermon

Rev. Creech

*** Hymn of Commitment, No. 238**

TRUETT

Breathe on Me
(Please see this hymn on page 6.)

*** Benediction**

Rev. Fort

*** Postlude**

March in D

Mrs. Slomanski
George F. Handel
arr. George Blake



We are blessed and thankful to welcome as our pulpit guest today, Rev. Ricky Creech, who began his tenure as the President/CEO of Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina on October 1, 2020, at Lake Waccamaw. We welcome Rev. Creech gladly, prayerfully, and expectantly. May God continue to bless your ministries with the children whom He allows you to serve.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of our FBC Youth as they begin Youth church activities together again by Mary Alice Stanley.

Ten days after the ascension of Christ and fifty days after his resurrection, the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples on the day of Pentecost. Pentecost was an established Jewish festival also known as the Feast of Weeks, which drew people from many nations back to Jerusalem (Leviticus 23:15-21; Deuteronomy 16:16).

Pentecost symbolizes a new beginning. It celebrates the unleashing of the Holy Spirit on the world and the empowering of the church to reach the world with the gospel. In celebrating Pentecost, the church expresses its gratitude for the faithfulness of Christ in fulfilling his promise to send “another counselor” (John 14:16). It celebrates the work of the Spirit in renewing all of creation; professes its confidence and security in knowing the Spirit’s power is available for its mission; and grows in awareness of the immensity of its call to reach the world

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Come, Thou Almighty King

Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts — Psalm 24:10 KJV

1. Come, Thou Al - might - y King, Help us Thy
 2. Come, Thou In - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy
 3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred
 4. To Thee, great One in Three, The high - est

name to sing, Help us to praise: Fa - ther, all -
 might - y sword, Our prayer at - tend! Come, and Thy
 wit - ness bear, In this glad hour! Thou, who al -
 prais - es be, Hence ev - er - more; Thy sov - 'reign

glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
 peo - ple bless, And give Thy word suc - cess:
 might - y art, Now rule in ev - 'ry heart
 maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see,

Come, and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, On - us de - scend.
 And ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
 And to e - ter - ni - ty, Love and a - dore.

WORDS: Anonymous
 MUSIC: Felice de Gardini, 1716-1796

ITALIAN HYMN
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Spirit of the Living God

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The Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message — Acts 10:44 NIV

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me; Spir - it of the

The first system of musical notation is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It features a treble and bass staff. The melody in the treble staff begins with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, and a quarter note C5. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

liv - ing God, fall fresh on me. Break me, melt me, mold me,

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff has a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, and a quarter note C5. The bass staff continues with accompaniment.

fill me. Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall fresh on me.

The third system concludes the piece. The treble staff has a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, and a quarter note C5. The bass staff concludes with accompaniment.

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MUSIC: Daniel Iverson, 1890-1977 ; arr. B. B. McKinney, 1886-1952

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IVERSON
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Breathe on Me

And with that he breathed on them — John 20:22 NIV

1. Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe on me, Un - til my heart is clean;
 2. Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe on me, My stub - born will sub - due;
 3. Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe on me, Fill me with pow'r di - vine;
 4. Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe on me, Till I am all Thine own,

Let sun - shine fill its in - most part, With not a cloud be - tween.
 Teach me in words of liv - ing flame What Christ would have me do.
 Kin - dle a flame of love and zeal With - in this heart of mine.
 Un - til my will is lost in Thine, To live for Thee a - lone.

Breathe on me, breathe on me, Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe on me;

Take Thou my heart, cleanse ev - 'ry part, Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe on me.

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TRUETT
Irregular

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

- Sunday, May 23**
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- Monday, May 24**
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- Wednesday, May 27**
4:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, May 31
Office Closed

Deacons of the Week
5/23 Lauren Cole / Donna Prince
5/30 Genie Carter / Peggy Underwood
6/06 David Carter / Charlie Duncan
6/13 Joe Hooks / Mary Alice Stanley



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