

St. Andrew's Hespeler Presbyterian Church

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Pentecost

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Order of Worship. We will meet in person at 10 am. You may also join us online. The link will be posted on the website.

Now you're
talking my
language!



Prelude: Komm heiliger Geist by F.W. Zachau

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Breathe upon us, Holy Spirit,

P: and inspire our thoughts and actions.

L: Stir in our hearts, Holy Spirit,

P: and fill us with energy to spread joy in the world.

L: Breathe upon us, Holy Spirit,

P: and refresh our commitment to serve.

L: Stir in our hearts, Holy Spirit,

P: as we worship and witness to God's coming reign.

Hymn #384 O Breath of life, come sweeping

1. O Breath of life, come sweeping through us;
revive your church with life and power.

O Breath of life, come cleanse, renew us,
and fit your church to meet this hour.

2. O Wind of God, come bend us, break us,
till humbly we confess our need;
then in your tenderness remake us,
revive, restore, for this we plead.

3. O Breath of love, come breathe within us,
renewing thought and will and heart:

come, Love of Christ, afresh to win us,
revive your church in every part.

4. O Tongues of fire, come rest upon us,
so we may speak your word aright;
kindle the flame of love among us;
equip your church to spread the light.

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Prayer of Approach

L: Spirit of God, your energy moves in us and through us
to face each new day. You are as close to us as our
breath, giving us life. You refresh us like the breeze on
a warm afternoon. You challenge us like a strong wind,
rousing our attention. Holy Spirit, open our eyes to the
wonder of God's mystery, and open our hearts to the
warmth of Christ's mercy. To you, with God our
Creator and Christ our Redeemer, we offer our prayers
and praise in love and loyalty. Make us one in worship
and witness by your grace and power. Amen.

Preparing our Hearts for the Holy Spirit

Responsive Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

L: O LORD, how manifold are your works!

**P: In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full
of your creatures.**

L: There is the sea, great and wide;

**P: creeping things innumerable are there, living things
both small and great.**

L: There go the ships and Leviathan that you formed to
sport in it.

**P: 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.**

L: When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
P: 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.

L: May the glory of the LORD endure forever;

P: may the LORD rejoice in his works—

L: who looks on the earth and it trembles,

P: who touches the mountains and they smoke.

L: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

P: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD. Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

Video Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Read by Alexis Smith

Hymn #398 When the spirit of the Lord

1. When the Spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
like David the shepherd, I sing. (2x)

I sing, I sing, like David the shepherd, I sing. (2x)

2. When the Spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
like David the sinner, I pray. (2x)

I pray, I pray, like David the sinner, I pray. (2x)

3. When the Spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
like David the victor, I dance. (2x)

I dance, I dance, like David the victor, I dance. (2x)

4. When the Spirit of the Lord moves in my soul,
like David the poet, I praise. (2x)

praise, I praise, like David the poet, I praise. (2x)

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Family Time

Life and Work of the Church

Celebration of our Generosity

Offertory: I wonder as I wander

Sermon: Now you're talking my language!

Prayers of the People

Hymn #399 Spirit, Spirit of gentleness

Refrain: Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,

blow through the wilderness, calling and free.

*Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from
placidness,*

Wind, Wind on the sea.

1. You moved on the waters; you called to the deep;
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of
sleep,
and over the aeons you called to each thing:

wake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.

Refrain

2. You swept through the desert, you stung with the
sand,

and you goaded your people with a law and a land,
and when they were blinded with their idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their
eyes. *Refrain*

3. You sang in a stable; you cried from a hill;
then you whispered in silence when the whole world
was still,
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the
wind. *Refrain*

4. You call from tomorrow; you break ancient schemes;
from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream
dreams;

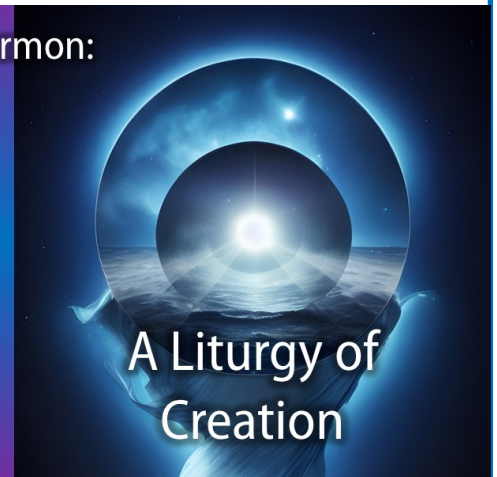
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes;
with bold new decisions your people arise. *Refrain*

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Benediction

Postlude: Come Holy Ghost by A. Armsdorf

Next Week's Sermon:



The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mary Jane Jackson on the recent death of her sister, Ruth Johnson. Please keep Mary Jane and family in your prayers at this time.



Other lectionary reading this week:

Numbers 11:24-30

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD, and he gathered seventy of the elders of the people and placed them all around the tent. ²⁵ 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.

²⁶ 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, so they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸ And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" ²⁹ 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!" ³⁰ And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

John 20:19-23

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

You are warmly invited to join with us in the celebration of Holy Communion, during worship on **Sunday, June 4, 2023**. If you are joining us from home, please have your communion elements ready.



Sunday, June 11, 2023 will be a special Sunday in our Journey of Discovery. Your Reference Group (RG) is excited to share with you the Next Steps in our Journey. Please join us for a potluck lunch after worship. Plan to stay even if you aren't able to bring finger foods to share.

(Please no peanuts, no shellfish.)



We are grateful to those who were involved in worship this morning:

Greeter:	Sylvia Brooks	Beadle:	Joanne Waugh
Organist:	Martin Bohl	Soloist:	Jane Bennett
Tech Team:	Laura Einwechter & Dylan Smith		

This Week at St. Andrew's

Tuesday:	Hope Clothing	9:00—11:30AM
Tuesday:	RG Meeting	7:00 pm
Thursday:	Helping Hands	9:30 AM to 10:30 AM
Thursday:	Hope Clothing	Noon—2:00 PM

Daily Prayers

Sunday, May 28 (Day of Pentecost) We pray that the Holy Spirit enlivens the church through working in us and lifting us up to be the people God created us to be, filled with the gifts of the Spirit as we follow Christ.

Monday, May 29 We give thanks for 10 years of ministry at Two Rivers Church in Guelph, Ontario, and we pray that the congregation continues to grow in outreach to their community with the transforming love of Christ.

Tuesday, May 30 We pray for the members and work of the Committee on Church Doctrine.

Wednesday, May 31 We give thanks for Canadian farmers participating in growing projects to support Presbyterian World Service & Development's work with Canadian Foodgrains Bank to reduce hunger around the world.

Thursday, June 1 We pray for summer ministry students. May they know the assurance of God's sustaining presence in times of excitement and frustration, joy and pain, faith and doubt.

Friday, June 2 We pray for the Rev. Mark McLennan, clerk for the Synod of Southwestern Ontario.

Saturday, June 3 We pray for the people who gather and serve at Place of Hope Indigenous Presbyterian Church in Winnipeg, Manitoba, and we give thanks for their ministry.

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**Prayer
Partnership**

Engaging in God's Mission
Through Word and Action

Sunday, May 28 – Mission Moment

With support from Presbyterians Sharing, Two Rivers Church in Guelph, Ontario, is exploring new and creative ways of being the church. This ministry is made up of "living rooms," where people gather together in homes for

meals and conversations that draw them deeper into friendship and spiritual formation in Christ. Recently celebrating 10 years of ministry, Two Rivers Church has grown to include six living rooms where the congregation meets together. At the same time, community engagement has expanded to include community gardening projects, neighbourhood cycling events, prayer walks, church retreats and an interactive "Stations of the Cross" walk through downtown Guelph during Holy Week.



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