May 23, 2021 ~ Day of Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements ~ Chery Nicholas

Prelude ~ "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" ~ Karen Danke

Call to Worship ~ responsive

Leader: In the beginning the Spirit of God hovered over the waters.

People: God's Holy Spirit was breathed into humanity giving us life and all our gifts.

Leader: The Lord guided his people with a pillar of fire in the wilderness.

People: The Spirit of God guided the church with tongues of fire.

Leader: Holy Spirit breathe new life into your church.

People: May we be people who follow you as you light a fire in us. Amen.

*you are invited to stand in body or in spirit

*Hymn #494 ~ "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts" (verses 1,3,5)

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession ~ in unison

Holy Spirit we come confessing the sins of our hearts to you. Though you are our encourager, advocate and comforter we confess that we have not followed where you have led. We have been trapped by inaction and selfishness when we are fearful and uncomfortable. Forgive us Lord. Grant us your mercy and love. Move in us so we may boldly follow where you lead. Amen.

(A time of silent, personal prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Passing the Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination

Hebrew Scripture ~ Psalm 37:1-7

Special Music ~ "Breathe On Us"

Christian Scripture ~ Acts 2:1-21

Message ~ "Church, Wind and Fire"

*Hymn #408 ~ "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Community at Prayer

Prayer Preparation
Hear our Prayer, O Lord, Hear our Prayer, O Lord.
Incline thine ear to us, And grant us thy peace.

The Lord's Prayer ~ in unison
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

*Hymn #286 ~ "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

*Choral Response #288 ~ "Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Postlude

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"Thank you! St. Paul's sent 860 condiment/utensil packets to Crossroads Soup Kitchen in Detroit! Seventeen people met in the Social Hall last Sunday to fellowship, worship, and assemble the packets. With volunteer numbers down, Crossroads is struggling to keep up with the need and we were able to prepare for two meals worth of packets! Praise God!"

Kathy Potter

Highlights from the May 11 Council meeting...

1. We are pleased to reopen the church to outside groups meeting under CDC COVID-19 protocols. NA, AA and Alanon resumed meeting this past Thursday.

^{*}Benediction

- 2. Faith Formation has started planning for VBS June 21st-24th and is seeking volunteers.
- 3. Thank you for your continued giving. For your convenience, don't forget alternative giving options using on-line giving and the secure mailbox outside the lobby entrance.

Please visit the Livonia Community Theatre website - Iivoniacommunitytheatre.org for an opportunity to honor Pat Hutchison by making a donation to the Pat Hutchison Founder's Fund in commemoration of the 10th anniversary of Livonia Community Theatre and of Pat's Birthday on June 1!

Livonia Community Theatre is offering two summer camps! <u>Broadway Bound</u> for grades 6 through 9 will be here at St. Paul's July 12-16. Tuition is \$150.00. **Disney's Broadway Junior Summer Showcase** for grades 4-6 will be August 2-6. Tuition is \$150.00. Enrollment information is at **livoniacommunitytheatre.org**.

En Our Thoughts & Prayers

Gail Artinian, Janet Frank, Karen Bright, Sheldon Davis, Doris Knecht, Joyce Barton Pam Phillips, Suzanne Tabaka, Jim & Joanna Roye, Nola Bonandrini, Frank & Nancy Saunders Jerry Stone, Beverly Dearth, Anita Falk, Kathleen Warren, Bob Liebertz, Grace Campbell, Susan Grant Bruce Phillips, Patricia Hutchison, Linda Thompson & her sister, Shirley Kircoff Mark Feely ~ friend of Judy McGregor; Glenn Ellan Rubright ~ sister of Mike Graham Nicole Snead ~ daughter of Bill VanEck; Nancy Kreipke ~ mother of Christian Rich McKenzie ~ son of Jean; Erin Lewis ~ daughter of Pattie Benoit Phyllis Badman ~ niece of Georgia Hunt; Christie Piastowski ~ daughter of Karen Bright Janet Kusuhara ~ cousin of Meta Tulley; Joe Ducsay ~ friend of Mike & Carol Graham; Mark Osborne ~ son of Janet Diane Calloway & Tony S. ~ cousins of Gail Artinian; Mary Ann Tabaka ~ mother of Suzanne Eric Tabaka ~ nephew of Suzanne; Cyndi Knecht ~ daughter of Doris; Joe Perko ~ friend of Wanda & Bob Seymour David Bonandrini ~ son of Nola & Ben; Zoe Marcus ~ friend of Karen Erwin Gideon Janku ~ great nephew of Bob Westbrook; Judy Siegfried ~ sister-in-law of Pam Phillips Randy Tillman ~ son of Gloria Rubbo; Leslie Benoit ~ daughter of the late Tamar and Jim Duthie Mary Rayes ~ friend of Pat Hutchison; Adam Schilling & Eric Shilling ~ grandsons of Ron & Janet Frank Donald Keller III ~ son of Jan Lapenta; Scott Davis ~ son of Sheldon & Marion Davis

Please review the prayer list and report any changes to the office as soon as possible.

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts 494



This 19th-century American translation of stanzas from a longer Latin poem is so well shaped that it sounds like an original meditation on Christian experience centered on the Lord's Supper. The North American tune name seems not to have originated with the English composer.

408 There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit



This gospel hymn grew out of this African American author and composer's intense experience of prayer with her interracial choir in Los Angeles one Sunday morning before worship. She recalled that sense of "a sweet, sweet Spirit" when she sat down at her piano the next day.





Both the words and the music of this prayer-song were written by a Presbyterian minister from Tarboro, North Carolina. The words were initially inspired by Jeremiah 18:1–6; a friend helped him set them to music during an evangelistic meeting in Orlando, Florida, where the song was first sung.

TEXT: Daniel Iverson, 1926; Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee; Spanish trans. anon. MUSIC: Daniel Iverson, 1926

LIVING GOD Irregular

Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí. Tómame, cámbiame, lléname, úsame. Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.

Breathe on Me, Breath of God 286

