

Pentecost Sunday

June 12, 2011

God of the salt
God of the fire
God of anger
God of laughter
God of parables and riddles
God of story and proclamation
God of comfort
God of affliction
God of the salt
God of the fire
come now
be now
here now.
Amen.

FANFARE

(read: please come in the sanctuary, announcements now to begin!)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELLS AND PRELUDE

JEFF PANHORST, DONITA BAUER

INVOCATION

source: K. Hawker

*HYMN 286

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

source: Manley

Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the
 wil - der-ness call-ing and free, Spir - it,
 spir - it of rest - less-ness, stir me from plac - id-ness, wind,
 wind on the sea. You moved on the wa -
 You swept through the des -
 You sang in a sta -
 You call from to - mor -
 ters, you called to the deep, then you coaxed up the moun -
 ert, youstung with the sand, and yougoad - ed your peo -
 ble, you cried from a hill, then youwhis-pered in si -
 row, you break an-cient schemes from the bond - age of sor -
 tains from the val - leys of sleep; And o - ver the e -
 ple with a law and a land; When they were con-found -
 lence when the whole world was still; And down in the cit -
 row the cap - tives dream dreams; Our wom-en see vi -
 ons you called to each thing, "A - wake from your
 ed by their i - dols and lies, then you spoke through your
 y you called once a - gain, when you blew through your
 sions our men clear their eyes. With bold new de-

From "Pentecost", Linda Schmidt



*“you just brought
a tote bag full of David Sedaris books
to a knife fight.”*

*Jon Stewart, The Daily Show to NPR,
re Fox News and Juan Williams*

*finding a place of groundedness
between the tote bag
and the fire hose*

... like drinking from a fire hose



***PRAYER OF AWARENESS**

source: K. Hawker

One: The Spirit comes with the fire of justice
Many: **and we offer the extinguisher of complacency.**
One: The Spirit comes with the rain of love
Many: **and we offer an umbrella of reserve.**
One: The Spirit comes bearing fresh winds of change
Many: **and we close the windows.**

One: Hear the great good news of our faith:
Many: **The Spirit is alive!**

One: Breathe, children of God,
Many: **breathe the fresh winds of the Spirit.**
One: Taste, children of God,
Many: **taste the quenching waters of God’s love.**
One: Touch, children of God,
Many: **touch the heat of God’s passion for justice.**

***RESPONSE 2**

“Glory, Glory Hallelujah”

source: Traditional

**Glory, glory hallelujah, since I laid my burdens down.
Glory, glory hallelujah, since I laid my burdens down.**

**I feel better, so much better, since I laid my burdens down.
I feel better, so much better, since I laid my burdens down.**

READING FROM TRADITION

One: May we be struck by the wisdom of these words
and marked by hearing them.
Many: **For within story lies meaning,
and within meaning, the wisdom for which we seek.**

source: Vosper

One: From the ancient book of Numbers:
Moses 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!”
(Numbers 11:24-29)

From Mark’s story of Jesus:
Whoever is not against us is for us.

(Mark 9:40)

One: With words that illumine
Many: **May we hear the Word.**

ANTHEM 8:30AM LARGO AND ALLEGRO FROM SONATA IN C MAJOR Fasch
 Jeff Panhorst, bassoon
 11:00AM "Festival Sanctus" source: Leavitt
 Chancel Choir

SERMON "Cleansing Fire" Katherine Hawker

***HYMN** "God's Ways" tune: AZMON
 words: T. Hunter



God's ways are some - times in - side out and
 God's fool - ish - ness is wise be - yond what
 God's song finds voic - es e - ven when the
 So watch for weak - ness that is strong and



some-times up - side down. God's in - vi - ta - tions
 hu - man wis - dom knows. God's weak - ness strong - er
 tune can - not be heard. God's love finds bod - ies
 fool - ish - ness that's wise. It's there God comes with



turn us 'til toward God we're turned a - round.
 than the strength that hu - mans can sup - pose.
 to fill up so flesh can be the Word.
 ho - ly jus - tice and with love's sur - prise.

CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION 11:00AM (SEE INSERT)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Believing that each joy and/or concern expressed is indeed a prayer,
 After each expression, the worship leader will say: Lord in your Mercy.
 And the people may respond: Hear our prayer.*

Many: **As I live every day,**
I want to be a channel for peace.
May I bring love where there is hatred
and healing where there is hurt;
joy where there is sadness
and hope where there is fear.
I pray that I may always try
to understand and comfort other people
as well as seeking
comfort and understanding from them.
Wherever possible, may I choose to be
a light in the darkness, a help in times of need,
and a caring, honest friend.
May justice, kindness, and peace
flow from my heart forever. Amen.

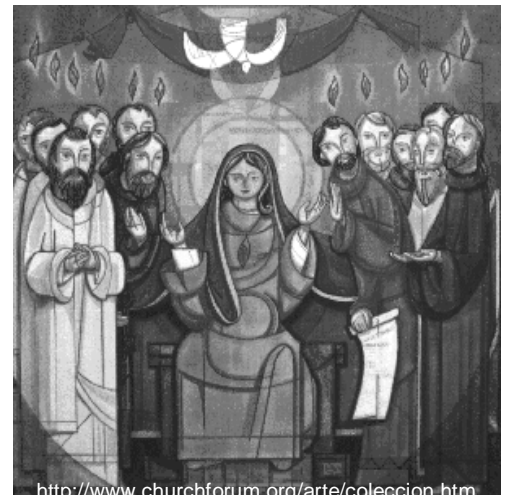
source: G. Vosper

"Pentecost" by Chris Shreve
<http://www.chrisshreve.com/pentecost.html>



"My ordinary, everyday self - now that I understood - was finally the key to every-thing It was my entree to the powers of the universe And it was also something else. It was the place where the infinite rested on the finite."

*Alvin Schwartz,
 writer of Batman and Superman comics,
 "An Unlikely Prophet"*



<http://www.churchforum.org/arte/coleccion.htm>

IN OUR PRAYERS

RESPONSE

"As-salaamu Lakum"
(Peace Be with You)

music: R. Bruxvoort Colligan
Traditional Arabic Greeting

The musical score is written on a treble clef staff with a 6/8 time signature. It consists of three lines of music. The first line has chords Am, G, F, Am, Am, G and the lyrics 'As - sa - laa - mu'. The second line has chords F, Am, Am, G, F, C, Dm and the lyrics 'la - kum, As - sa - laa - mu la - kum, Sa - laam Sa -'. The third line has chords F, Am, G, F, Am and the lyrics 'laam, As - sa - laa - mu la - kum.'.

JOYS TO SHARE

Jimmy Wall has graduated with a M.A. in Political Science from New York University. He is working at the Pentagon.

Thom Wall starts a teaching fellowship in Philadelphia at the end of June.

Communion Note...

The words you hear as we share communion may be different than you've heard before. Like all of our life together, our prayers and practices at table are always evolving. Our Worship Team has been involved in reading and reflection on our shared table practices, exploring the meanings we share with bread and cup. Inspired by the stories of Jesus' table practices, we are aware that traditional communion imagery conveys beliefs that many of us do not share. Our prayerful hope is to offer language and metaphor that inspire us to greater compassion while allowing us to encounter wonder as we gather together at table.

TABLE PRAYER AND PROCESSION TO THE TABLE

INVITATION

REMEMBRANCE

One: We remember the stories that Jesus' friends tell,

Many: **stories of bread broken and shared,
feeding a multitude,**

One: stories of being gathered together, enemy and friend, around tables,

Many: **stories of unlikely guests
revealing the face of the sacred.**

One: They say that that it was on a night of both celebration and betrayal that he took the bread leftover on the table,

Many: **blessed it and broke it and shared it;**

One: reminding them that it is
in the breaking that we become whole,

Many: **in losing our lives that we find them,
in serving that we are served.**

One: As the grain scattered becomes one in the loaf,

Many: **when we eat this bread,
we become one with one another.**

One: They say that he took the cup also leftover on the table,

Many: **poured out and sharing,**

One: remembering with them, the life-giving breath
even now pounding a rhythm through our veins,

Many: **the breath of life from whence we come,
the breath that precedes and follows
all that we can see.**

One: As the grapes find life in the vine,

Many: **when we drink this cup,
we become at one with the source of life itself.**

BLESSING

One: We pray together:

Many: **Come, holy Spirit, come.**

Bless this bread and bless this fruit of the vine.

Bless all of us in our eating and drinking

that our eyes might be opened,

that we might recognize the Spirit rising in our midst

indeed, in one another. Come, holy Spirit, come.

The Congregation is invited to come forward by the center aisle... partaking of the bread and cup, lighting a candle in prayer, and placing an offering in the plates beside the table.

*COMMUNION SONGS "I Woke up This Morning" tune: traditional

I woke up this morning with my mind stayed on Jesus

Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on Jesus

Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on Jesus

Hallelu, hallelu, Hallelujah.

Singing and praying with my mind stayed on Jesus....

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit" tune: traditional

Every time I feel the Spirit

Movin' in my heart, I will pray

Yes, every time I feel the Spirit

Movin' in my heart, I will pray

Upon the mountain my Lord spoke

Out of his mouth came fire and smoke

When I looked all around me everything looked so fine

I asked my Lord if all was mine

(chorus)

Jordan's River, chilly and cold

Chills the body but not the soul

There ain't but one train upon this track

That runs to heaven and it runs right back

(chorus)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

source: K. Hawker

One: Then I will pour out my spirit on all flesh, thus says the Lord.

Many: **Send down the fire of your justice!**

One: Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

Many: **Send down the rain of your love!**

One: Your old shall dream dreams,
and your young shall see visions.

Many: **Send down your Spirit, breathe life in your people!**

One: In those days, I will pour out my spirit.

Many: **And we shall be people of God.**

—Based upon Joel 2:28-29 and "Send Down the Fire" (Marty Haugen)

JUNE MISSION MOMENT

Our mission moment in June is for Strengthen the Church, a special offering for the United Church of Christ, our national denomination. Money donated to this offering can be used to fund new church starts, invigorate existing congregations, nurture lay and pastoral leadership, and build youth and young adult ministries. Churches receiving this aid have started music programs, created community gardens, and started a playgroup ministry to families with young children. Funds may also be used to send youth and adults to conference or national events, where they learn more about the UCC and return to their communities with new ideas and energy. Please support this offering by writing a check to EUCC and writing Strengthen the Church in the memo line or donating on line at ucc.org. Thank you for your support!

GOT CHANGE?

Give your child some pennies, nickels or dimes to put in the "stone soup" pot when they come forward for the children's message on Sunday mornings!!



SHARING OUR GIFTS

During our Procession to the Table (8:30am) and Celebration of Giving (11:00am), we are invited to consider our offerings. The easiest way to make a financial offering is to drop check or money, marked clearly for EUCC or for special offerings, in the basket during worship. You can also set up electronic giving, which saves paper—and you never need your checkbook. Please contact the church office for more information.

***HYMN**

"Send Down the Fire"

source: Haugen

Refrain

Send down the fire of your jus- tice; _____ Send down the
rains of your love; _____ Come send down the Spir- it, breathe
life in your peo- ple, and we shall be peo- ple of God. _____

Call us to be your com - pas - sion, _____
 Call us to learn of your mer - cy, _____
 Call us to an - swer op - pres - sion, _____
 Call us to wit - ness your King - dom _____

Teach us the song of your love; _____ Give us hearts that
 Teach us the way of your peace; _____ Give us hearts that
 Teach us the fire of your truth; _____ Give us right - eous
 Give us the pres - ence of Christ; _____ May your ho - ly

sing, Give us deeds that ring, Make us
 feel, Give us hands that heal, Make us
 souls, 'Til your jus - tice rolls, Make us
 light Keep us shin - ing bright, Ev - er

ring with the song of your love. _____
 walk in the way of your peace. _____
 burn with the fire of your love. _____
 shine with the pres - ence of Christ. _____

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Bulletin recycling: Though we invite you to take your bulletin home to review the prayers and opportunities throughout the week, if you choose to leave your bulletin after the 8:30am service place it in the blue box and we will use it again!

FELLOWSHIP AND EDUCATION

CONTEMPORARY WRITERS BOOK GROUP—Friday, June 17, 6:30

This session we will be discussing “Saving Jesus from the Church” by UCC pastor Robin Meyers in the Still Speaking Center. We are pleased to have Marty Holland as our discussion leader. Further questions contact **Marty** at martyph@att.net or **Bob Karr** at karr.bob@gmail.com

EUCC MOMS' GROUP—Friday, June 24, 9:30am

Moms' Group will meet at Tower Grove Park for playtime and a picnic. Our summer meetings are for moms, kids of all ages, dads, friends, anyone who would enjoy time in the park on a summer morning. We will meet at the fountain and playground near Arsenal and Magnolia. Bring your own lunches. Questions? Call Dee Ban at 965-1191.

EUCC BRIDGE CLUB—Sunday, June 26, 7:00pm

Come join us on Sunday at Peg's house. Every skill level welcome in this convivial EUCC Group. If you'd like to join/visit this group. Please email Norma (normaleuthauser@juno.com) and Peg (pegssant@aol.com) to let them know you want to be included on the e-blast list.

FACILITY/JOB JAR

The flower bed on the south wall needs preparing for planting. We are looking for members who have tillers we can borrow for this project. Please contact Paul Kachulis if you can help us out: (314) 691-2749 or packmo01@aol.com.

Job Jar recently took inventory of kitchen supplies and we have an overabundance of certain supplies. If you are having difficulty locating an item, please contact Paul Kachulis before placing an order.

YOGA - Tuesdays, 9:30am and Saturdays, 8:30am

All are welcome; no previous experience is required. Please bring a yoga mat and small blanket, all other supplies are provided.

EUCC COMMUNITY EVENTS

CELEBRATING MARILYN STAVENGER - JUNE 25-26

Please be my guest on Saturday, June 25th, in the Schroer Commons at Eden Theological Seminary, 5:30 - 9:30pm. On Sunday, June 26th, you are invited to worship at EUCC as I renew my promises in the Vows of Ordination from the UCC Book of Worship.

“Your presence will be a special gift to me, but I invite your contribution to Eden Theological Seminary for the Marilyn Stavenger Contextual Education Endowment Fund that will support small rural or urban churches that cannot fund the yearly stipend for a student.” - *Marilyn Stavenger*

PRIDEFEST 2011—June 25-26, Tower Grove Park

We would like to thank all of the people from EUCC who have volunteered to help with the Gateway ONA booth on Saturday and early Sunday.

EUCC members and friends are welcome to march with other Gateway ONA church folks in the PRIDE parade at noon on Sunday, June 26th. Gather at St. Paul's UCC, 3510 Giles Ave, at 11:30am. Parking available there and a short walk to the parade route on Grand Ave. See Elaine Alexander for more information.

WEBSTER GROVES COMMUNITY DAYS PARADE— July 4, 10:00am

Join other EUCC members and friends for some fellowship on the front lawn as we watch the parade pass by!!

PEACE TRAIL—August 1-5, 9:00am-12:00pm

Peace Trail is our annual week of learning and play with children in our wider community. We share yoga, art, songs, and stories and more! **Registration is available online (www.evangelicalucc.org) or by contacting the Church Office**

THIS WEEK AT EUCC

SUNDAY, JUNE 12

8:30am Worship Service
11:00am Worship Service with Confirmation
12:00pm Servant Team Meeting
3:00pm Korean Drumming Circle
5:15pm Castlewood Support Group

MONDAY, JUNE 13

6:00pm GB Meeting
6:10pm Nancy Reiter Meeting

TUESDAY, JUNE 14

9:30am Amy's Yoga Class
1:30pm WG Nature Study Book Club

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

7:00pm LaLeche

THURSDAY, JUNE 16

12:30pm Staff Meeting
5:30pm Boogerd/Foulds Rehearsal
6:45pm SLED

FRIDAY, JUNE 17

5:30pm Boogerd/Foulds Wedding
6:30pm Contemporary Christian Writers Group

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

8:30am Amy's Yoga Class
9:00am Huppert Lessons
10:00am WG Teen Leaders Club Car Wash - Overflow from YMCA into upper parking lot
3:00pm Sts C&F Crafters

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS: To sign up to help with these (or other ministries), contact the person listed or the church office or use the sign up sheet on the clip board that is passed each Sunday morning.

DATE	LITURGIST	COFFEE HOUR	USHERS	SHEPHERD	CRIB ROOM	WELCOME TABLE	MONEY COUNTERS
	<i>Read the text and prayers in worship (Roni Branding)</i>	<i>Provide snacks for coffee hour (Jenny Davis)</i>	<i>Greet worshippers, collect offering host. (Jean Karr)</i>	<i>Playtime with children during worship (Kelly Archer)</i>	<i>Assist with our babies and toddlers (Carole Janssen)</i>	<i>Greet folks at the welcome table (Roni Branding)</i>	<i>Count the weekly offerings (Bob Hill)</i>
TODAY	8:30am Mickey 11:00am Jim Herz	1. Loretta Haggard 2. Colleen Gilmore	8:30am Paul Kachulis 11:00 am Bob Risk Ray Mulligan Linda Kolley Yoany Lopez	1. Loretta Haggard 2. Colleen Gilmore	Kris Lewis Sarah Gottemoeller	8:30am 11:00am Susan Morgan	Bob Risk Ray Mulligan
June 19	8:30am 11:00am Nancy Mack	1. Gigi Hill 2. Nancy Mack	8:30am Sandy Bowe 11:30 Jan Ittner, Karen Droege, Bob Karr, Wynn Miller	1. Chris R. 2. Jane M.	Linda Kolley Norma Leuthauser	8:30am 11:00am	Bob & Gigi Hill

EUCC STAFF

Pastoral Team: Katherine Hawker,
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GOVERNING BODY

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Joining us for the first time?

In a word: *Welcome*

Whoever you are, wherever you are on the journey, you are truly welcome here. We are human and fallible, but utterly committed to God's extravagant welcome!

Worship Rules: *Enjoy*

Some people clap, some don't. Some babies make noise, some don't. Some people read music, some people look at pictures. We stand and either speak or sing together occasionally, but do what feels right for you. Likewise with clothes; some people wear suits with sneakers, some wear hockey uniforms with ruby slippers. Whatever style is yours, it's safe here.

Enjoy your time with us!

Coffee: *Your choice*

Bring your own or fill up with the pot in the Fireside Room. Bring it in to worship, or not; decaf or regular. *It's your choice!*

Difference: *Bring it on!*

We don't simply tolerate our difference, we celebrate the wonder of the sacred in our differences... not only age, race, gender, ability, and orientation, but politics and theology too!

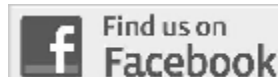


nursing mothers welcome!

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