

# First Presbyterian Church Wichita, Kansas



May 15, 2016  
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Prelude    Improvisation on *Veni Creator Spiritus*    John Cook

Entering with the Candles of Presence    Bailey Bowles and Bronwen Burch

Greetings

Bell Introit    *To God Be the Glory*    arr. by C. Dobrinski  
James Ringers

\*Call to Worship

Leader: How manifold are your works, O Lord!

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

Leader: You send forth your spirit, and they are created;  
and so you renew the face of the earth.

**People: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
I will praise my God while I have my being.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

\*Prayer of the Day

Holy God, who comes to us in breath, visits us from the throne of heaven, and sets us aflame with amazement and joy, you open our paths to new visions and guide our feet deeper into your wisdom. Give us faith to trust your presence, through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

\*Hymn    *Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us*    No. 129

Litany for Pentecost

Holy Spirit, Creator, in the beginning you moved over the waters. From your breath all creation drew life. Without you, life turns to dust.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Counselor, by your inspiration, the prophets spoke and acted in faith. You clothed them in power to be bearers of your Word.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Power, you came as fire to Jesus' disciples; you gave them voice before the rulers of this world.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, you created us children of God; you make us the living

temple of your presence; you intercede within us with sighs too deep for words.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Giver of life, you guide and make holy the church you create; you give gifts—the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and fortitude, the spirit of knowledge and piety, the spirit of the fear of the Lord, that the whole creation may become what you want it to be.

**Come, Holy Spirit!**

Choral Response

True and only Light, from whom comes every good gift: Send your Spirit into our lives with the power of a mighty wind. Open the horizons of our minds by the flame of your wisdom. Loosen our tongues to show your praise, for only in your Spirit can we voice your words of peace and acclaim Jesus as Lord.

**Amen.**

\*The Peace

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

**People: And also with you.**

*(The children may come forward during the greeting.)*

Time with the Children

First Reading

Genesis 11:1-9

Anthem

*Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit*

arr. William Dawson

Text found in Presbyterian Hymnal, #315

Second Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“The Curse of Babel Reversed”

The Rev. Dr. Brent O. Johnston

\*Hymn

*Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove*

No. 126

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

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Gerry Winters

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| Minute for Stewardship                 | VBS & Games Camp   | Lindsey Hellwig<br>& Michelle Murray-Cline |
| Offertory                              | <i>If Music Be the Food of Love</i><br>FPC Chancel Choir | arr. David Dickau                          |
| *Doxology                              |  | No. 592                                    |
| *Prayer of Dedication                  |  |  |
| *Hymn                                  | <i>On Pentecost They Gathered</i>                        | No. 128                                    |
| *Charge and Benediction                |  |  |
| Leader: The Lord be with you.          |  |  |
| <b>People: And also with you.</b>      |  |  |
| *Choral Response                       |  |  |
| Recessing with the Candles of Presence |  |  |
| *Postlude                              | <i>Komm, Heiliger Geist</i>                              | arr. Alec Wyton                            |

\*signifies congregation standing (for those able)

### **Information from the Personnel Committee**

Personnel has hired Rodney Hyche to be our part-time evening and week-end custodian. Rodney works full time at WSU and has custodial and maintenance experience. Please welcome him when you see him around the church.

### **Cookies**

You may have noticed the delicious cookies and treats we have in *The Well* during Coffee Fellowship? You can be part of this cookie baking fun! We have about sixteen people who now volunteer to bring 4 dozen cookies every few weeks. A schedule is made out and sent to you with your date to bring cookies for *The Well*. If you are interested in being part of this project, please notify Patty Cole at 250-4577 or pattycole21@gmail.com. I look forward to hearing from you!!

### **Worship Leaders**

Senior Pastor  
Liturgist  
Director of Music & James Ringers  
Organist

Brent O. Johnston  
Dick Wieland  
Steve Bixler  
Gary Huffman