

Pentecost Sunday, May 15, 2016

Even though we are living in a chaotic world, we believe the almighty God is pouring out the Holy Spirit on all people. We need God's Spirit to help us creatively break down barriers and strengthen relationships.

Gathering

Welcome

Congregational Songs HWB 71 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee
HWB 55 Let's sing unto the Lord

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

Listening

Congregational Song HWB 29 Like the murmur of the Dove's
song

Scripture Reading Genesis 11:1-9
Acts 2:1-21

Sermon Esther

Responding

Congregational Song HWB 623 (insert The Gift of Love)

Congregational Sharing

Congregational Prayer

Offering Sokjakriya

Sending

Announcements

Congregational Song HWB 71 Joyful, joyful (v. 1 & 4)

Benediction

Worship Leader: Sunnie

Song Leader: Ron

Accompanist: Deb

Call to Worship for Pentecost

The Spirit is here among us,

within us, around us, between us.

The Spirit is here to strengthen us,

bringing courage, bringing conviction.

The Spirit is here to move us,

making us sing and praise.

The Spirit is here.

May we feel the Spirit as we gather.

May we be fed by her fiery strength.

May we be emboldened by her powerful wind.

We gather in the Spirit's arms to be nurtured as we worship.

**And may our worship fill us with the Spirit
as we go back out into our daily lives.**

Song: The Gift of Love

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship, and are freed.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- For our Aberdeen church family as we worship and support each other. May we be blessed in our diversity and unity.
- Pray for all of those affected by the wildfires in Alberta. Pray for those displaced, those monitoring hot spots, and those attending to the displaced. Pray for safety, strength and endurance. Pray for God to bring comfort, peace and blessing through the hands of those who are providing support.

FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

- **Food Bank** - Next meets on May 28 and June 11
- **May 29** – Church picnic at Gesell's
- **EMC Convention** – July 1-3 in Steinbach



Birthdays This Week Marg on May 18
John on May 18
Mikah on May 19



Coffee for May 22 – Ron and Shirley
Upcoming Coffee for June 5 – Jeremy and Teresa

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Adult Sunday School** – this morning after the worship service Judith will be showing slides and sharing about her past year with CMU's Outtatown Guatemala.
- Ardith is coming to Winnipeg! Everyone is invited to a potluck lunch at Ron and Shirley Banman's house after the church service on Sun., May 22, to visit with Ardith.
- Contact information for Ken:
4 Emslie St., Winnipeg, R2W 3Y8
Phone: (204)-586-8915
Email: smusic@mts.net
- Please note the change of address for Marilyn:
163 Bartlet Ave, Winnipeg, R3L 0Z3
Phone numbers are the same.

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. Many voices compete for our attention, filling our ears, hearts, and minds.

Out of our chaos, Holy Spirit, call your people anew.

Conflict bubbles over; we grab for power and dig in our heels. We are blind and cannot see the way forward.

**Out of our chaos, Holy Spirit,
give us new visions and dreams.**

Bondage holds us to a life lived for ourselves. We build shrines to our creativity and bow down to the gods of our own making.

**Out of our chaos, Holy Spirit, reform our hearts
to worship and serve you alone.**

Barriers of race, language, and gender divide us. We ignore divisions of class and separate ourselves from one another.

**Out of our chaos, Holy Spirit, fashion your people
into one new humanity.**

For the coming of the day of the Lord is near,
and all who call on God's name will be saved!

Thanks be to God!

Genesis 11:1-9

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth."

The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the LORD said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.