



FIRST CHURCH

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
of SAN DIEGO

MAY 19, 2024 – 9:00 AM



FIRST CHURCH IS A COMMUNITY THAT IS GROWING
IN GRACE AND REACHING OUT WITH LOVE.

PENTECOST/CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

*With joy we welcome your presence today, wherever you are.
Please join us as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship together.*



Register Your Attendance

Welcome Rev. Trudy D. Robinson

Words of Inspiration

a book of life
a book of love
a collection of stories from above
a book of lessons
a book of humanity
something to teach us about amity
Jesus set foot here
God has been with us

their sacred words we discuss
their traces are left in the soil
their existence is written in the stars
all the way from neptune to mars
the rivers run with them
the birds sing their song
they help us remember we belong
~~“holy words” by Elsa Zimbric

Prelude Dr. Jaebon Hwang

Prelude on “Hail Thee, Festival Day”

Charles Callahan (1951-2023)



*Assistive listening available in First Church Sanctuary.
See pew card or usher to connect to Listen EVERYWHERE.*

• **Call to Worship** Elsa Zimbric, *liturgist*

The Holy Spirit has turned silence into gospel!
 The Holy Spirit has formed witnesses out of onlookers.
 Come, Holy Spirit of God! Be with us today in our spirits and our minds.
Come, Holy Spirit of God! Be with us in our words and our actions. Amen.

TO OFFER OUR PRAISE AND PRAYERS

• **Hymn of Celebration #324: Hail Thee, Festival Day (vs. 1-2, 5-6)**

Refrain

Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day to be hal - lowed for - ev - er;

Fine

day when the Ho - ly Ghost shone in the world, full of grace.

1. Bright and in like - ness of fire, on those who a - wait your ap - pear - ing,
 5. Spir - it of life and of power, now flow in us, fount of our be - ing,

you whom the Lord had fore-told sud - den - ly, swift - ly de - scend: *[Repeat Refrain]*
 light that en - light - ens us all, life that in all may a - bide:

2. Forth from the Fa - ther you come with seven - fold mys - ti - cal of - fering,
 6. Praise to the giv - er of good! O lov - er and au - thor of con - cord,

pour - ing on all hu - man souls in - fi - nite rich - es of God: *[Repeat Refrain]*
 pour out your balm on our days; or - der our ways in your peace:

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INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Morning Prayer (by Jaxson Crislip)

God,
You are good and You are great.
You are nice and You do not hate.
You love everyone no matter who we are.
You care for everyone wide and far.

We thank you for the gift of the Bible to guide us and help us live our life.
You send us messages in unusual ways.
So we stand by, always looking for when You wave.

You are there in times of need.
During hard times, you help us breathe.
And You care for everyone no matter what we believe.
You want each one of us to thrive.
You love us all.
You forgive our sins, cleansing our souls for what we have done wrong.
You always secure us our spot beside You because You are good!

We thank You for loving us as we are.
We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, who sends us the gift of the Holy Spirit to inspire us,
As we say the prayer Jesus taught his friends,

The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Act of Praise Youth Chime Ensemble; Dana Zimbric, *director*
Our God

Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman; arr. Peggy Bettcher (b. 1961)

A Time with Children Rev. Dr. Hannah Ka

TO HEAR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

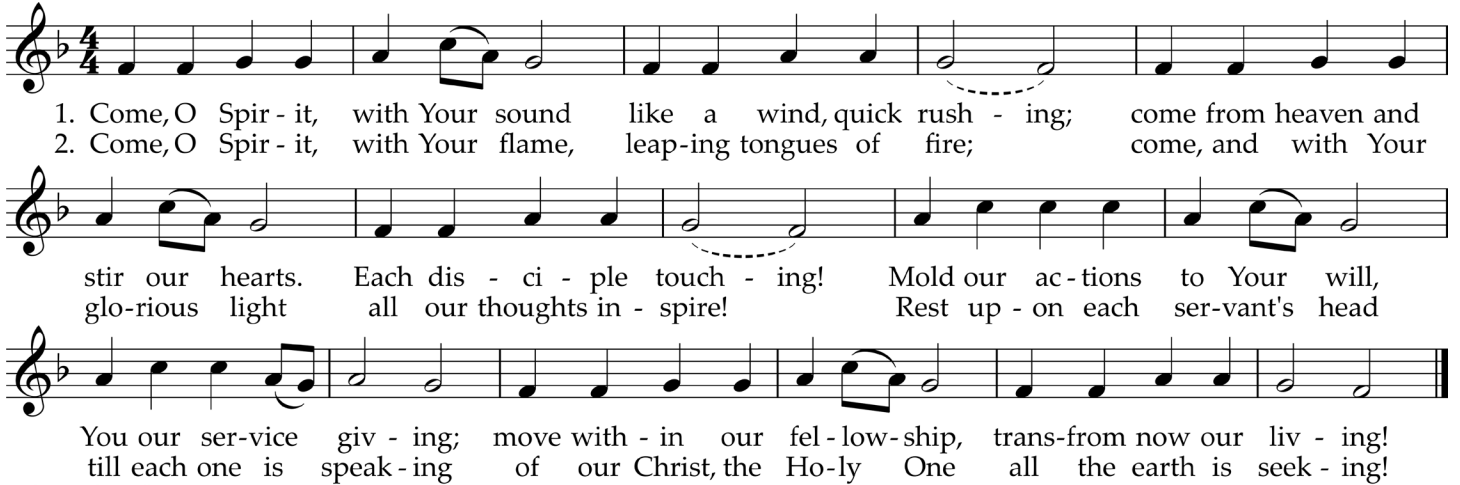
Holy God,
In the reading of the scriptures, may Your Word be heard.
In the meditations of our hearts, may Your Word be known.
In the faithfulness of our lives, may Your Word be shown.
Amen.

New Testament Lesson: Acts 2:1-12

The word of God for the People of God: **thanks be to God.**

Sermon: *"What Now? Speak, Still."* Rev. Dr. Hannah Ka
with Tobias Crislip, Honor Liebold & Brad LaDrido

• **Hymn of Faith: *Come, O Spirit***



1. Come, O Spir - it, with Your sound like a wind, quick rush - ing; come from heaven and
 2. Come, O Spir - it, with Your flame, leap-ing tongues of fire; come, and with Your
 stir our hearts. Each dis - ci - ple touch - ing! Mold our ac - tions to Your will,
 glo - rious light all our thoughts in - spire! Rest up - on each ser - vant's head
 You our ser - vice giv - ing; move with - in our fel - low - ship, trans - from now our liv - ing!
 till each one is speak - ing of our Christ, the Ho - ly One all the earth is seek - ing!

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TO RENEW COMMITMENT

Reception of Confirmands

Presentation of Candidates: Jaxson Glen Crislip, Tobias James Crislip, Brad Torio LaDrido,
 Honor Grace Hart Liebold, Elsa Christine Zimbric

Profession of Faith by Candidates

Congregational Pledge

The pastor addresses the congregation, and the congregation responds:

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

Confirmation

Congregational Welcome & Affirmation

When the candidate have been confirmed, the pastor invites the congregation to welcome them:

Church family, I commend these confirmands to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ's holy Church and we welcome you to this congregation of the United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service. With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that, surrounded by steadfast love, you may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

Response #399: *Take My Life, and Let It Be (vs. 1)*

1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - cra - ted, Lord, to thee. Take my mo - ments and my days;
let them flow in cease - less praise. Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse
of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.

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Faith in Action Rev. Brittany Juliette Hanlin

Offertory Anthem Chancel Choir; Brian Lustig, *director*

Tongues of Fire and Hearts of Love

Stephan Casurella (b. 1973)

O spirit of the Living God;
in all the fullness of your grace,
wherever human feet have trod,
descent upon our fallen race.

Give tongues of fire and hearts of love
to preach the reconciling word;
anoint with power from heaven above
when e'er the joyful sound is heard.

Let darkness turn to radiant light,
confusion vanish in your path;

souls without strength inspire with might;
bid mercy triumph over wrath.

O spirit of the Lord,
prepare the whole round earth its God to meet;
and breathe abroad like morning air,
till hearts of stone begin to beat.

Baptize the nations; far and wide
the triumphs of the cross record;
the name of Jesus glorify,
till every people call him Lord. (James Montgomery)

• **Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

• **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you: **and also with you.**

Let us pray.

God of the Resurrection,
As You promised, we have welcomed the movement of Your Spirit;
We have felt the Spirit's presence, stirring, fire and we are moved.
On this day and every day, You guide us.
In gratitude, we go where You lead. Amen.

TO DISPERSE IN MISSION

• Hymn of Consecration #547: *O Church of God, United*



1. O church of God, u - nit - ed to serve one com-mon Lord, pro - claim to all one
 2. From ev - ery land and na - tion the or - dered ranks ap - pear; to serve one val-iant
 3. Though creeds and tongues may dif - fer, they speak, O Christ, of thee; and in thy lov-ing
 4. May thy great prayer be an - swered that we may all be one, close bound, by love u -



mes - sage, with hearts in glad ac - cord. Christ ev - er goes be - fore us; we
 lead - er they come from far and near. They chant their one con - fes - sion, they
 spir - it we shall one peo-ple be. Lord, may our faith-ful ser - vice and
 nit - ed in thee, God's bless-ed Son: to bring a sin - gle wit - ness, to



fol - low day by day with strong and ea - ger foot - steps a - long the up - ward way.
 praise one liv - ing Lord, and place their sure de - pen - dence up - on his sav - ing word.
 sin - gle-ness of aim pro - claim to all the pow - er of thy re-deem-ing name.
 make the path-way bright, that souls which grope in dark - ness may find the one true light.

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• **Benediction** Rev. Dr. Hannah Ka & Confirmands

Postlude

Fanfares to the Tongues of Fire

Larry King (1932-1990)

**Please remain seated so as to enjoy the Postlude.*



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