



Falmouth Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
An Open and Affirming Congregation
The Reverend Amelia Edson
Serving Christ and Community since 1754



10:00 AM

PENTECOST SUNDAY

June 5th, 2022



THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

If you are new to worship, welcome and please fill out a blue visitor card.

*Throughout the order of worship, if print is in bold, words may be spoken in unison. *Please stand in body or spirit*

GATHERING MUSIC

“Be Thou My Vision”
“His Eye is on the Sparrow”

arr. Joseph M. Martin
arr. Pepper Choplin

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE *(Please remain in your seat while passing the peace of Christ.)*

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PRELUDE

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

arr. Jan Sanborn

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We have come to celebrate the birthday of the church.

All: We have come to celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit.

One: We have come to celebrate Pentecost,

All: and to open ourselves to God’s Spirit that it might fill us.

One: The spirit blows life through us all

All: Let us then worship with great joy, and celebrate the new life among us. As we bring praise and song, joy and laughter before God, let the world hear our praises!

*HYMN

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: How often in this week have we pondered the manifold works of God? How have we cared for this amazing planet? What have we done to encourage life at its fullest and best? We violate God’s purposes by our neglect as well as by overt acts. God invites our confession.

All: O God, we have built cities for ourselves. We have sought fame and fortune. We have rushed through our days with unseeing eyes, stopped-up ears, and dulled emotions. We are more often enslaved by our fears than freed by your grace. We demand proof of your existence but ignore the work of your hands. We reject Jesus as an impractical visionary. Your Holy Spirit is unreal to us because we insist on being in charge. Have mercy on us, holy God, and save us from ourselves. Amen.

One: God promises to us an outpouring of the Spirit. We will see signs and experience wonders that we have not observed before. When we are ready to be taught, God grants new insights and a deep, abiding sense of peace. Praise God!

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1-21

Lydia Hill

THE SERMON

Rev. Diane Bennekamper

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

ANTHEM

“As the Deer”
Martin Nystrom,
setting by John F. Wilson

Marilee Beinema

THE FEAST OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION

COMMUNION PRAYER

CONSECRATION OF THE ELEMENTS

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP



UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Holy God, who names us and nourishes us, we give you thanks for your presence in the sharing of this sacred meal. By your redeeming love, you have refreshed us. By your creating power, you have filled us. By your sustaining spirit, you have quenched our thirst. Swell our hearts with faith and love and send us boldly into the world as your servants always. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (SUNG)

THE OFFERTORY

*HYMN "Spirit" #249

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Go in Peace" #445

POSTLUDE "Lift High the Cross" arr. Carolyn Hamlin

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Presiding: Rev. Diane Bennekamper
Minister of Music: Jan Stover
Ushers: Joe & Jo Blinick
Liturgist: Lydia Hill
Online Worship: Virginia Eddy, Tom Stegemann, Jack Gervais

Next Sunday's Lectionary

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

The altar flowers are given today in honor and appreciation of Pastor Diane's faithful and kind service to us for the past three months during Pastor Amelia's parental leave.

