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PRELUDE/MEDITATION “Spirit of the Living God”

Daniel Iverson

Spirit of the Living God,

Fall afresh on me,

Spirit of the Living God,

Fall afresh on me.

Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me.

Spirit of the Living God,

Fall afresh on me.

WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Pastor Heidi Borkenhagen

We worship in the name of the Father, † the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

God, thank you for your spirit breaking down barriers within and without.

Forgive us God, for the barriers we create between us and you,

Barriers that separate us from your love and the assurance of your salvation.

Forgive our busyness, our independence, our desire to go our own way.

Spirit of God: Breathe in us, have mercy on us.

Forgive us God, for the barriers we create between us and each other,

Barriers that separate us from neighbors near and far and inhibit mutual love and care.

Forgive our resentment of others, our love of control, our indifference to the poor.

Spirit of God: Breathe in us, have mercy on us.

Forgive us God, for the barriers we create between us and your beautiful creation,

Barriers that abuse your world and deny our responsibility as stewards.

Forgive our greed, our misuse of resources, our pollution of the environment.

Spirit of God: Breathe in us, have mercy on us.

God, by the power of your spirit, breathe on us and break down these barriers.

May your spirit guide us into the freedom of life lived for you.

Spirit of God: Breathe in us, have mercy on us.

Jesus rose from the dead and breathed the Holy Spirit onto his disciples. Today, may we feel the breath of God on us and in us, offering us forgiveness, peace, and grace. Through Jesus, God forgives you all your sins + , and sets you free to breathe deeply and freely. **Amen.**

OPENING SONG

“Spirit of God, Descent upon My Heart”

Red Book 800

OPENING PRAYER

Isaiah Ofori

Creator of the heavens and earth, you have breathed in us your Spirit, the breath of life. May we live as Spirit-filled people, living our lives to advocate for justice, to gather with others in love, and to be filled with your compassion. In the name of Christ, our companion and our Savior, we pray. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 2: 1 – 21

Lisa Myers

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴**All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.**

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²**All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?”** ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷‘In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit,
and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104 "Send Forth Your Spirit O Lord"

Steven C. Warner

REFRAIN



Send forth your Spir - it, O Lord, and re - new the
face of the earth. Send forth your Spir - it, O
Lord, and re - new the face of the earth.

VERSES

1. Bless the Lord, O my soul, Lord God, how great you are,
wrapped in a garment of glory and might,
clothed in light as in a robe. R/.
2. Lord, my God, great are your works!
In wisdom you made them all.
Rich is the earth and filled with your life.
Bless the Lord, O bless, my soul! R/.
3. All of your creatures look to you, to give them their food in time.
You give it with abundance, they gather it up,
by your hands they have their fill. R/.

Steven C. Warner
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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Ken Canedo

♩ REFRAIN

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

lu - ia! Give the glo - ry and the

hon - or to the Lord! Al - le -

glo - ry and the hon - or to the Lord!

glo - ry and the hon - or to the Lord!

Final Fine

GOSPEL READING

John 20: 19 - 23

Pastor Heidi Borkenhagen

The Good News of Jesus Christ as written in the Gospel of John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them

his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, **“Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”** ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Heidi Borkenhagen



SERMON SONG

"O Spirit All-Embracing"
 (prayer squares collected)

Delores Dufner



1 O Spir - it all-em-brac-ing and coun-sel - or all - wise,
 2 O Beau - ty ev - er blaz-ing in flow - er, field, and face,
 3 Come, pas - sion's pow - er ho - ly, your in - sight here im - part,



un - bound - ed splen - dor grac-ing a shore-less sea of skis:
 you show your - self a - maz-ing in un - ex - pect - ed place.
 and give your ser - vants low - ly an un - der-stand-ing heart



un - fail - ing is your trea - sure, un - fad - ing your re - ward;
 We see you and re - mem - ber what once our dreams had been;
 to know your care more clear - ly when faith and love are tried,



sur - pass - ing world - ly plea - sure, the rich - es you af - ford.
 you fan the glow - ing em - ber and kin - dle hope with - in.
 to seek you more sin - cere - ly when false i - deals have died:



Come, stream of end - less flow - ing, and res - cue us from death;
 Come, fire of glo - ry gra - cious, bless all who trust in you;
 for vi - sion we im - plore you, for wis - dom's pure de - light;



come, wind of spring-time blow - ing, and warm us by your breath.
 un - dy - ing flame te - na - cious, burn in your church a - new.
 in prayer we come be - fore you to wait up - on your light.

CELTIC CREED (spoken together)

*We believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon, of water and earth, of male and female.*

*We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh,
born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree.*

A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief, he died alone and forsaken.

He descended into the earth to the place of death.

*On the third day he rose from the tomb. He ascended into heaven,
to be everywhere present throughout all ages, and His kingdom will come on
earth.*

*We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit burning with Pentecostal fire,
life-giving breath of the Church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness,
source of all resurrection and of eternal life. Amen*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE “Lord, Listen to your Children Praying” *Red Book 752*

SHARING OF THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG “Spirit of Gentleness” *Red Book 396*

OFFERING PRAYER

Isaiah Ofori

Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Pastor Heidi Borkenhagen

“Table Will Be Wide”

*And the table will be wide, and the welcome will be wide
And the arms will open wide to gather us in
And our hearts will open wide to receive.*

Presider’s Prayer

Reprise *“Table Will Be Wide”*

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us. God, you are our Holy Parent, our Mother and . . .

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 and ever. Amen.

Invitation

COMMUNION SONG

“Bread of Life from Heaven”

Red Book 474

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Isaiah Ofori

Thank you, Divine Spirit, for this meal of remembrance, and for coming to us as we have shared it. May the love we find at this table be reflected in our lives; May the power we receive at this table make us peacemakers and healers; And as we breathe in to speak Good News to the world, may the Spirit fill and guide our words. Amen.

-written by John van de Laar

ANNOUNCEMENTS**THE BLESSING****SENDING SONG**

“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness”

Red Book 843

DISMISSAL

Go now in peace. Breathe the Breath of God!

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The church office is open, 9 – 1, Monday – Thursday. Call 414-933-7004, or email admin@redeemermilwaukee.org to set up an appointment with a pastor.

OUR CLOTHES LIBRARY IS IN NEED OF A FEW THINGS.

- We are in need of new men’s underwear and socks, and new or gently used t-shirts, hoodies and men’s sweatpants.

WE NEED USHERS

- Please use the link below to sign up in the coming weeks to help with ushering.
- Greeters to arrive by 9:30 to help Dorothy greet people and pass out bulletins. Ushers to arrive by 9:45. Ushers will collect the offering and usher during communion. New dates have been added.
- <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F44AAA82CA2FCC34-62349087-usher>

LUNCH AT OLGA’S

- **We need of servers on June 21** for the Olga Sunday Meal hosted at Redeemer. We need at least 12 people. If you can volunteer individually, as a family or as a small group, please sign up at olganws.com/volunteer.

BEE CLASSES CONTINUE.

- Charlie Koenen, our Beevangelist will be conducting “Bee” classes. If you are interested, just show up! They will be held in the Event Space, every Thursday. Class will be 2 hours long, from 7 – 9 PM. New topic each week! If you have any questions, reach out to Charlie at beevangelist@gmail.com.

ONE ON ONE WITH PASTOR HEIDI

- Pastor Heidi is looking forward to meeting each one of you. She has set aside office hours for one on one visits. Use the sign-up genius link to schedule a visit with her. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F44AAA82CA2FCC34-64231217-visits>

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED MAY 25 FOR MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE