

First Congregational United Church of Christ  
Algona, Iowa  
Pentecost Sunday  
June 9, 2019

## PRELUDE

## RINGING OF THE BELL

## GREETINGS, GOOD NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 104:24-34, 35b from the *Common English Bible*

\*OPENING SONG: "All Things Bright and Beautiful" #30

## SHARING JESUS' PEACE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

(read responsively)

One: Can you feel it? God is here!

Many: In rushing wind and tongues of flame, God's Spirit draws us here.

One: Can you feel it? Jesus is here!

Many: In rushing wind and tongues of flame, his Spirit washes over us.

One: Can you feel it? The Spirit is here!

Many: In rushing wind and tongues of flame, God's Spirit ignites our dreams.

*Everyone: God is here! Let's worship!*

### OPENING PRAYER

(read together)

Come Spirit, blow through our lives with the power of your love. Create us anew with the winds of your grace. May the fires of your hope burn away our fears. May the power of your compassion remake us into a Pentecost people. Gather us up, fill us with good things, and teach us to speak with wisdom and power. Amen.

## TIME FOR CHILDREN AND THE YOUNG AT HEART

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(read together)

Holy Spirit, we're not sure we're ready for your awesome power to blow through our lives; we've grown comfortable with our familiar habits and our bland routines; we're afraid to give up our waking slumber and face the truth that we do not truly live. When we cling to our ways, the safety of familiar paths, wake us up, shake us up, heat us up, and breathe your life into us. Forgive us, and walk with us, God. Give us the courage to follow the way that is lit by the fire of your Spirit. On the Day of Pentecost, we pray for the audacity to ride the winds of change. Amen.

## A MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION AND REPENTANCE

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

(read responsively)

One: Hear the good news for us. God pours the Spirit upon us in these moments - the Spirit which comforts us, which encourages us, which transforms us through God's grace.

Many: Thanks be to God! The Spirit brings us peace, comforts our hearts, and fills us with hope. We are forgiven and made new. Amen.

### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

John 14: 8-17

\*MIDDLE SONG: "Spirit Working in Creation" #128 (sung to the tune "Hymn to Joy" #59)

\*AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (read together)

Back of the Hymnal

### GLORIA PATRI

#734

FOCUS SCRIPTURE Acts 2:1-21

read from the *Common English Bible*

MESSAGE: "Big Winds"

Pastor Burtnett

### GATHERING AT JESUS' TABLE

Invitation, Communion Prayer, *Sanctus*, Words of Institution, Consecration Prayer, Lord's Prayer, Sharing the Bread and Cup

### SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God Most High. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God! Hosanna in the highest!

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another and send us out into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

**OFFERING**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**\*DEDICATION OF OFFERING**

**\*CLOSING SONG:** “Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow” #333

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

The Call to Worship is from *The Abingdon Worship Annual-2007*. The Opening Prayer is from *The Abingdon Worship Annual-2013*. The Prayer of Confession is from *The Abingdon Worship Annual-2010*. All of which are edited by Mary J. Scifres and B.J. Beu. The Call to Confession, and Words of Assurance are from *Lectionary Liturgies* by Thom M. Shuman. The Offering Prayer of Dedication is from *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2019* edited by Mary Scifres and B. J. Beu. The Prayer of Thanksgiving is from the *Book of Worship United Church of Christ*. The Affirmation of Faith is *The United Church of Christ Statement of Faith*.

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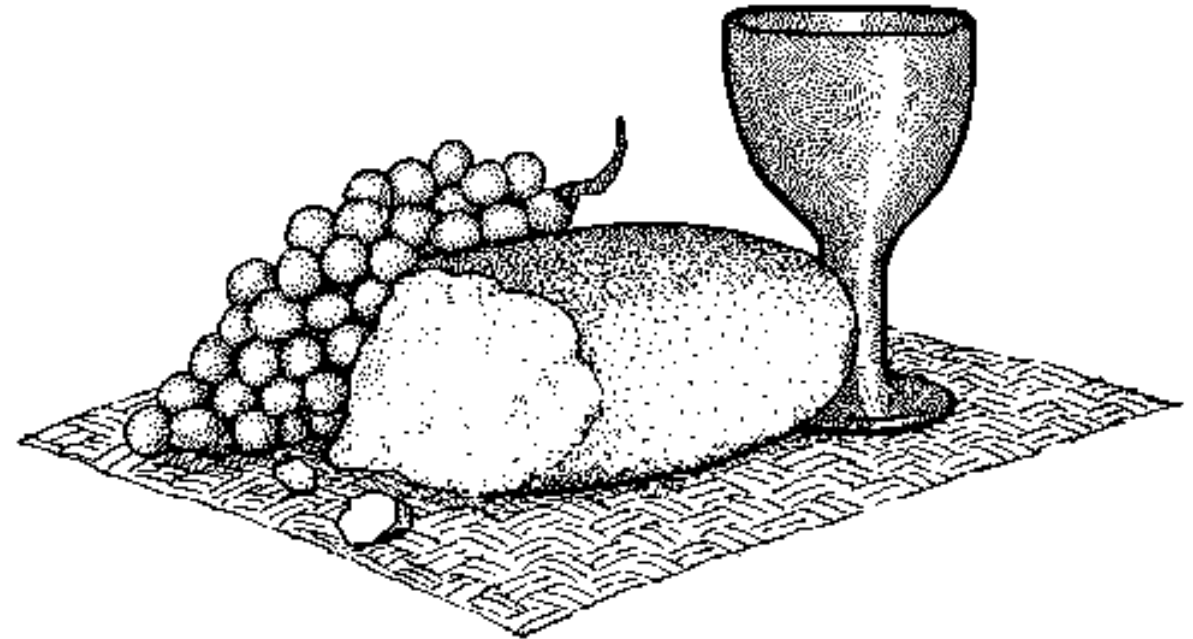
Organist:	Liz Reynolds
Lector:	
Worship Leader:	Pastor Chris

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June Radio Sponsor: Todd and Shelly TerHark

Birthdays: 6-10 Timothy Boyd, 6-12 Luke TerHark, 6-15 Julia Hines

Wednesday, the 12<sup>th</sup>, the Pastor, Parish Relations committee will meet at 4 pm.  
The signup sheet for July Meals on Wheels is in the parlor.  
We need to start cleaning up the Trash and Treasure upstairs room. Those that can help sorting what we want to keep or toss or send to exop or the care team will meet after church today if possible. Also we should meet next Sunday to box up and load them for their destination.



*Their Eyes Were Opened,  
And They Recognized  
The Risen Christ*

*In The Breaking  
Of The Bread.*