

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

**O God of life and breath, your Spirit calls to us
But often we are reluctant to act.
The wind of the Spirit blows and draws us ahead
Yet we want to hang on to what is familiar and safe.
Give us courage to yield ourselves to your Spirit
For you are sovereign and at work in the world.
Help us let go of that which does not nurture us
For you are the source of life.
Remind us that as we struggle in our failures and disappointments
We struggle in the palm of your hand.**

A Time of Silence

(Please take this time in silence to offer your own prayers of confession—confessing your need for God and naming those barriers that keep you from knowing life as God’s beloved child.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Do not be afraid. Our Comforter and Advocate has come.
Rejoice in the knowledge that all is forgiven.
People of the Spirit, listen.
The wind that drives the heavens – the wind that soars above and beyond us all –
unifies us in God’s love.
Keep the Spirit’s flame alight within your heart.
Await the new birth in Christ that is promised to all.

*RESPONSE (all sing)

Gloria Patri

NO. 581

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen**

*GREETING OF PEACE

Feel the caress of the Holy Spirit in the healing breath of hope. See the bright embers of faith beckon each of us to unity in God. Greet one another in the assurance that the peace of Christ is ever present. The peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you. (We greet each other: “The peace of Christ be with you.”)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Acts 2:1-13 p. 885

Acts 2:14-21 p. 885

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

A Breath of Fresh Air

Rev. Elizabeth Lyman

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

excerpts from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,

sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,

and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,

we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives,

even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,

praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death

can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*HYMN NO. 769

For Everyone Born

vs. 1, 2, & 5

v. 2

lines 1 & 2 – women

lines 3 & 4 – men

refrain – all

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Wake Up, Church!

M. Hayes

Chancel Choir

How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord, what joy we find inside
as we in blessed peacefulness abide.

How comforting is the music, how comfortable are the pews,
as we rest, rest, rest in the Lord.

(cont'd)

Wake up, Church, wake up! The Lord is calling you.
Wake up, church, wake up! There is kingdom work to do and so arise and shine.
Now tell the world your light is come.
Wake up, church, wake up! There'll be plenty time to rest when life is done.
We can't hide inside the walls sitting on the pews.
God calls us to go out and we cannot refuse and so arise and shine...
And so arise and shine and give God the glory glory, children of the Lord.

*DOXOLOGY (all sing)

Shine, Jesus, Shine

NO. 192, v. 1

**Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us; set us free by the truth you bring us,
Shine on me; shine on me.**

Shine, Jesus, shine; fill this land with the Father's glory.

Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river, flow; flood the nations with grace and mercy.

Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious Spirit, you have showered us with your gifts, and we embrace you with thanksgiving. May our embrace be arms wide open, ready to share, to serve, and to love. Use our spiritual gifts that we may live the spiritual life, moving according to the Spirit's heated touch and bending in the direction of God's holy will.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Holy Wisdom is with us.

We praise you, Christ Crucified.

Holy Spirit breathes in us.

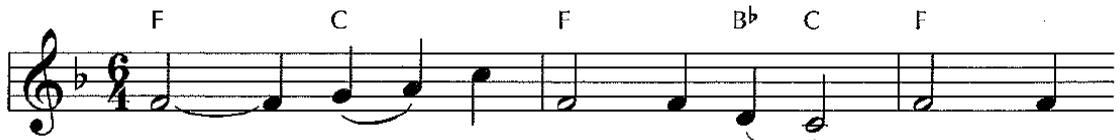
Spirit of Power, Spirit of Life!

Holy Source of All draws near.

In you alone we boast!

With all creation we sing:

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1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the

(A) (D/F#) (F#m) (G) (A) (Bm)
 C F/A Am Bb C Dm



pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

(G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)
 Bb F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

... Jesus Christ, crucified, you called and claimed us,
 risen, you have raised us, coming again, you make all things new.
 Even so, come Lord Jesus! Hallelujah!
 Great is the mystery of faith...



Christ has died; Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.

(G) (A) (Bm) (G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)
 Bb C Dm Bb F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F



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... And now and ever, all glory to you,
Holy Spirit, Holy Wisdom, Holy Source
of all that was, and is, and is to come, through your Servant, Jesus Christ,
who taught us to pray: **Our Father...**

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS

(All are welcome to receive communion. Please come forward for intinction.)

When you get to the Table, take a piece of bread from the tray and dip it in the cup. Eat immediately.

We serve grape juice instead of wine and offer gluten-free alternatives so that all may partake.)

COMMUNION HYMN (all sing) *Spirit of the Living God* NO. 288

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Gracious God, may we who have received this sacrament live in the unity of
your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth your gifts to all the world. We ask
this in the name of Jesus, Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 526 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*RESPONSE (choir only) *Amen* P. Lutkin

POSTLUDE *Sonatine (III. Animé)* Maurice Ravel

Welcome visitors! We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Please record your name, address, and phone number/email on one of the Connection Cards in the pew and introduce yourself to the pastor as you leave. All are invited to join us for light refreshments and fellowship following the service in the back of the Sanctuary.

Large-print bulletins, hymnals, and Bibles are available for use during the worship service. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Assisting in the service of worship are:

Deacon-in-Charge: Jim Silvius
Liturgist: Raven Studer
Communion Servers: Gail Greene, Susan Hofmann, Marj Johnson
Ushers: Marcie Jorgensen, Melanie Slezak

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Stan & Margot Lamar in memory of loved ones.

Weekly Prayer List (follows directory):

Rebecca Roberts

Liz Rowe

Brian Rowe, Phoebe Rowe

Ann Rudolph

Emma, Jill & Sam Rudolph

Rick Rudolph

Pastor Elizabeth Lyman will be gone from May 24-29. Rev. Kathie Pownall will handle pastoral care and emergencies in her absence (302/373-7127, kspownallkathie@aol.com).

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Recordings of current sermons are available online at <http://concordpc.org/service-recordings/>.

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Sunday School & Family Activities

CONCORD VBS

2018

July 23-27

9am-12pm

All things bright and beautiful...



The Lord God made them ALL!

Registration forms available [online](#) & in the Church Office.

Concord Youth Group invites

families and friends for some fishing fun today! Grab your fishing gear (or borrow some of ours!) and join us for an evening of fishing. We'll meet

at Concord Church parking lot at about 4:30pm and then head to Bellevue State Park. Bring a picnic dinner for yourself and your family. Children younger than 6th grade must be accompanied by an adult. Email Christina to RSVP and for weather updates (christina.pressley@concordpc.org).



Adult Classes

You are invited to attend our Bible Study groups which discuss the background of the scripture for each Sunday's sermon:

- **Mug & Muffin Bible Study** – Weds. @ 9:30am in the Sanctuary Lounge.
- **Thaddeus Arc Men's Bible Study** – Thursdays @ 11:30am, Library. *At the end of May, we'll break for the summer.*

Faith in Literature – Concord's book group will meet **Monday, May 21, 1:00pm**, at the home of Joyce Johnson. Reading assignment from *50 Great Stories*: "How Beautiful with Shoes" by Wilbur Daniel Steele and "A Haunted House" by Virginia Woolf.

Mission Outreach

Can You Spare a Square? During May, Concord and the community will be collecting toilet paper for Friendship House. Please bring your toilet paper donations any time during the month and drop off in the back of the Sanctuary or in the bin by the Fellowship Hall door. Friendship House goes through an enormous amount of this most necessary item at their various sites.



Emmanuel Dining Room East – May 25: Due to the Memorial Day holiday, supplies for this month's EDR East meal must be dropped off early. *Please deliver your donations of cookies and hard-boiled eggs to the church refrigerator by noon on Friday, May 25.* Questions? Call Ellin Foote @ 302/475-3775.

CALENDAR

Sun., May 20 **Elizabeth Lyman preaching Pentecost, Communion***

10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary

**No Children/Youth Sunday School*

Noon Worship & Music (Jessie's Room)

4:30pm Youth Group Fishing (Bellevue)

Mon., May 21

9:00am Diaspora Prayer Group

1:00pm Faith in Literature (Joyce Johnson)

Wed., May 23

9:30am Mug & Muffin (Sanctuary Lounge)

7:30pm Session (Jessie's Room)

Thurs., May 24 **Kindergarten Graduation**

11:30am Thaddeus Arc (Library)

Fri., May 25

Last Day of Preschool

12:00pm EDR East cookies & eggs needed

5:30pm Epiphany House Dinner

(Torill Drury, Barbara Wise)

Sun., May 27

Kathie Pownall preaching

No Sunday School classes

10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary

Mon., May 28

Memorial Day

Preschool & Church Office Closed

9:00am Diaspora Prayer Group

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