

## Presentation of the Offering\*\*

**\*Invitation to the Offering**One: We seek ways to share our love through our treasures, talents, and time. Whether we give in this hour or throughout the week, may we remember that God's Spirit encircles these gifts with hope.

**\*Hymn:** "Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow" (The Hymnal #551)

**\*Dedication Prayer (in unison)**

**All:** Holy God, may the gifts we share today and throughout the week nudge us to dream your dreams. May our giving inspire us to embrace your visions for our world. Holy Spirit, enliven our souls to create your realm of justice and peace on earth. AMEN.

## Closing and Blessing

**\*Closing Hymn:** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (The Hymnal #184)

**\*Benediction and Blessing<sup>1</sup>**

**\*Ring of the Church Bell**

**Organ Postlude**

**\*Please to stand if able**

**\*\*An offering collection plate is placed at the entrance of the sanctuary and will not be passed during worship.**



## Save the Date – Upcoming Events

Wednesdays - Bongards Market - 3pm to 6pm

Thursdays - Bible Fellowship - 6pm in Fellowship Hall

TODAY - Coffee and fellowship following worship

Jun. 12th - Graduates Sunday - 915am

Jun. 12th - Faith & Service Committee Meeting - 1015am

Jun. 13th - Womens Guild - 6pm in Fellowship Hall

Jun. 19th - Father's Day Sunday - 915am

Jun. 20th - Consistory Team Meeting - 6pm via ZOOM

Jun. 26th - Worship in the 'Son'shine - 10am followed by

potluck picnic

**God's Blessing to Zeke on his baptism!** We welcome Zeke Kestner into our St. John's family.

**Scan the QR code to head over to our website for a full calendar of services, events, announcements and more!**



## Welcome to St. John's United Church of Christ

*Thank you for worshipping with us. We are so glad that you are here!*



Our Lady of Pentecost Church in Quezon City, Philippines

**Rev. Scott Siefert | Organist: Penny Rolf**

June 5, 2022 - Day of Pentecost

**Organ Prelude**

**Ring of the Church Bell**

**Announcements**

## Call to Worship

One: Divine Teacher, whirl around us with your wisdom

**All: Divine Comforter, encircle us with the peace that comes only from you.**

One: As the Holy Winds fill our lives with dreams, empower us to live God's hope in the world.

**All: As the Holy Fire fills our hearts with visions, empower us to create a world of peace and justice.**

**\*Opening Hymn:** "Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me" (The Hymnal #192)

<sup>1</sup> Adapted from <https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/pentecost-sunday-c-june-5/>

### **Prayer of Invocation**

One: As the dawn breaks forth, your Spirit exhales your intentions for our world. As new chapters and eras arise in our lives, your Spirit invites us to wisdom that only comes from you. Open our souls to the wonders of your being. Settle our hearts when questions surround us.

**All: Fill our minds with the knowledge that your Spirit will lead us forward. AMEN.**

### **Prayer of Confession**

One: Loving God, too often peace is absent from our hearts. From pain to grief, and from turmoil to frustrations, we yearn for what we lack. We ache for the pains and injustices of this world to cease. What we forget is to pause and voice our concerns to you. How can we better integrate your presence in our lives? When have we forgotten to include You in our joys and heartaches?

**All: Move us to seek you and speak the burdens of our hearts to you. May your Spirit refill our souls with peace. AMEN**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

One: The Spirit of God delivers grace and peace as we move through our journeys and inspires us to connect with God and neighbor to create a world of hope and joy. **AMEN.**

### **Scripture Lesson and Message**

**Scripture Reading: Acts 2:1-8 (NRSV)** When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?”

**Pastoral Meditation:** “The Language of the Spirit”

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

(Please follow along on the baptism insert)

### **Holy Communion**

#### ***Invitation***

#### ***Communion Prayer***

One: It is right to give God thanks and praise. We give you thanks, Holy One, for calling forth the creation and raising us from dust by the breath of your being...With your people in faith in all places and times we praise you with joy.

**All: God’s love endures forever.**

One: For on the night of betrayal Jesus took bread...and said, “Take, eat: This is my body which is given to you. Do this in remembrance of me.”...“Drink this: This is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you and many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”..Grant that all who share the communion may be one in Jesus Christ.

**All: Be present with us as we share this meal, and throughout all our lives, that we may know you as the Holy One, who with Christ and the Holy Spirit, lives forever. AMEN.**

#### ***Prayer of Our Savior***

**ALL: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. AMEN.**

#### ***Call to the Supper***

One: Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine. That they might be for us the presence of the living Christ. Pour your Spirit upon us also. That we may be one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to our world, until we arrive at the heavenly banquet of God.

The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for all things are ready.

#### ***Sharing the Elements***

*{Music: Let Us Break Bread Together}*

*{Please come forward as you are able to receive and partake of the elements}*

One: Take and eat, this is the body of Christ given for you. **AMEN.**

One: Take and drink, this is the cup of the new covenant, poured out for you. **AMEN.**

#### ***Prayer of Thanksgiving***

**ALL: 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 forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. AMEN.**