

Sunday Worship

May 19, 2024, 10:00 am

**Denotes Standing, in body and/or spirit*

Worship Theme: God the Holy Spirit

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude "Postlude Fantasia" Robert Thygerson

Welcome & Announcements (see insert) Rose Aiello

***Call to Worship (Responsively) Ezekiel 37 Leader**

Leader: The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones.

People: **He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry.**

Leader: He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know."

People: **Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.**

Leader: Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live.

People: **I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.**

***Opening Hymn "Spirit Song" UMH #347**

***Opening Prayer (Unison) Leader**
Heavenly Father, Brother Jesus, Holy Spirit - we enter into worship today searching for You. We know that you are *with us always, to the very end of the age*, but in our weakness, we still need reminders! Forgive us when we lose sight of You. With your light, clear away the darkness so that we can, once again, be reminded of Your presence in our lives. May we be vessels worthy of housing Your Holy Spirit. Allow us to commune with You today, we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

CHOIR ANTHEM "Holy Spirit Come" Landy Maughon
Kris Crunk

A Time for Children of All Ages

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson: Acts 2:1-21 (NRSV)

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***Gospel Lesson: John 15:26-27; 16:1-15 (NRSV)**

Lector: The Word of God for the People of God

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Message "Baptized with the Holy Spirit"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn of Response "Spirit of God" TFWS #2117
(v. 1,2,5)

Baptism Brothers Dylan Palin and Wyatt Palin

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of our Gifts

*Doxology

Offering Prayer (Unison) by Denise Wiley
Loving Father, I thank You for all You have given to me. *You have declared that everything the Father has is mine and I now take what is mine and declare it back to you.* Make these gifts holy. Empower the Holy Spirit to shine upon them and fill them with the blessed fruits of the Spirit. Enkindle within them the fire of your love and may they multiply in Your hands for Your beautiful glory. In Jesus's name we pray. Amen

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*Sending Hymn "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" UMH #404

*Benediction

*Benediction Response "Spirit of the Living God" UMH #393

Postlude

Coffee Hour Hosted by Darlene Dobler-Palin

Coming Up:

May 26th - Sunday Worship Service @10am - "Trinity Sunday"

Join us LIVE or ONLINE as we resume our study of God's Word to try to wrap our heads around the mystery of our triune God - 3-in-1 ([John 3:1-17](#)) Who do YOU pray to?!? 🙏😊

Join us Wednesday's @ 7:30am for

Wednesday-Wakeup Devotional & Fellowship



[Zoom Link](#)
(Live Meeting)



[YouTube \(https://bitly.com/WWakeup\)](https://bitly.com/WWakeup)
(Recorded Sessions)

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Worship Livestream Zoom link:

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"Growing in the Body of Christ"