

# Order of Worship for Pentecost Sunday

May 28, 2023

The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor  
Diane Dawson Dexter, Organist

**Prelude** “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” John Dykes

**Welcome and Announcements** Dr. Anderson

## Call to Worship

The risen Christ ascended into heaven and now reigns with God in power and glory.

**God sent the Holy Spirit to guide us into the way, the truth, and the life of Christ.**

Today the Holy Spirit empowers us to testify to the good news: fullness of life and joy for all.

**We worship God through Jesus Christ our Savior and in the unity of the Holy Spirit.**

## Prayer of the Day

Lord God, through your Son you have given us peace that the world cannot give. Let your Spirit of truth abide with us so that we may live in hope, grow in faith, and keep your commandments of love; in the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

**Hymn 696** “America the Beautiful”

## Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, you sent the Holy Spirit to breathe life into your church. We confess that at times we live as though we were captives to fear. We may even judge others rather than show humility about our failings. Send your Spirit again to lead us into righteousness, so that we may be messengers of your saving love and reconciliation through Jesus Christ, our peace. Amen.**

## Assurance of Forgiveness

## Prayer for Illumination

**Old Testament** Numbers 11:24-30

**New Testament** Acts 2:1-21

**Sermon** “Filled with the Spirit” Dr. Anderson

## Gathering the Collection

**Offertory** “When the Saints Go Marching In”

**Doxology** Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him, all creatures here below.  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## Prayer of Dedication\*

**Living God, you are the Lord of all! Only you can send your Spirit to bring us new life. You graciously speak your word of hope in times of struggle and uncertainty, and in times of joy and peace. We are grateful that you are continually at work in our lives and the world to fulfill your promises. May our giving today show our trust in you. We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Sharing Joys and Concerns for Congregational Prayer

## The Lord’s Prayer (*trespasses*)

**Hymn 697** “My Country 'Tis of Thee”

## Benediction

**Postlude** “The Battle Hymn of the Republic”

\* Prayer of Dedication by the Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, posted on the Discipleship Ministries, The United Methodist Church, website

Other elements of the liturgy adapted from resources by the Office of Theology and Worship of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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