

# The Federated Church

*United Church of Christ + Unitarian Universalist Association*



People of The Way



**PENTECOST**

**May 23, 2021 | 10:00am**

*“Historically, pandemics have forced humans to break with the past and imagine their world anew. This one is no different. It is a portal, a gateway between one world and the next.*

*We can choose to walk through it, dragging the carcasses of our prejudice and hatred, our avarice, our data banks and dead ideas, our dead rivers and smoky skies.*

*Or we can walk through lightly, with little luggage, ready to imagine another world. And ready to fight for it.”*

*—Arundhati Roy*

# **Order of Worship**

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Passing the Peace**

**The Story of Pentecost**      [Acts 2:1-21](#)

**Gathering Song**    “Send Us Your Spirit”    vv. 1 & 2 (p. 4)

**Centering Moment**

**Prayer of Confession & Repentance**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

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. And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Sung Response**    “You Are Here in Our Midst” (p. 5)

**Scripture**      [John 15:26-27, 16:4b-7, 12-13](#)

**Special Music**      [“Kay Buti Buti Mo”](#)

*Solo by Fe Gould*

**Sermon**      “Refined by the Fire: The Way of the Spirit”

**Sung Response**    “Spirit of the Living God” (p. 5)

**Our Shared Life & Offering**

**Sending Hymn**    “Send Down the Fire” vv. 1, 3, 4 (p. 6)

**Benediction**

## Send Us Your Spirit

6 Come, Lord Je - sus, send us your Spir - it, re - new the

11 face of the earth. Come, Lord Je - sus,

20 send us your Spir - it, re - new the face of the earth.

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1 Come \_\_\_\_\_ to us, Spir - it of God; breathe in us  
2 Fill us with the fire of your love; burn in us  
3 Send us the wings of new birth; fill all the

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now, \_\_\_\_\_ we sing to - geth - er.  
now; \_\_\_\_\_ bring us to - geth - er.  
earth with the love you have taught us. Let

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Spir - it of hope and of light, \_\_\_\_\_ fill our lives;  
Come to us, dwell in us, change our lives, O Lord;  
all cre - a - tion now be shaken with love;

come to us, Spir - it of God.

# You Are Here in Our Midst

Don Moen

You are here in our midst. How we've wait -  
 - ed for mo - ments like this. Have your way in this place. Ho-ly Spi -  
 - rit come do as you wish. We are changed as you move in our midst.

# Spirit of the Living God

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.  
 Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.  
 Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.  
 Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Hindi:

Bhagwaan ki aatmaa, mujhpe barse phir se  
 Pighal jaaon, dhal jaaon, bhar jaaon, choone se

SPANISH

Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.  
 Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.  
 Tómame, cámbiame, lléname, úsame.  
 Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.

KOREAN

살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서  
 살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서  
 빛으시고 채우소서  
 살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서

# Send Down the Fire

*Refrain*



Send down the fire of your jus - tice,



send down the rains of your love; come, send down the



Spir - it, breathe life in your peo - ple, and we shall be



peo-ple of God.



- 1 Call us to be your com - pas - sion,
- 2 Call us to learn of your mer - cy,
- 3 Call us to an - swer op - pres - sion,
- 4 Call us to wit - ness your king - dom,



teach	us	the	song	of	your	love;	give	us
teach	us	the	way	of	your	peace;	give	us
teach	us	the	fire	of	your	truth;	give	us
give	us	the	pres -	ence	of	Christ;	may	your



hearts	that	sing,	give	us	deeds	that	ring,	make	us
hearts	that	feel,	give	us	hands	that	heal,	make	us
righ -	teous	souls,	till	your	jus -	tice	rolls,	make	us
ho -	ly	light	keep	us	shin -	ing	bright,	ev -	er



ring	with	the	song	of	your	love.
walk	in	the	way	of	your	peace.
burn	with	the	fire	of	your	truth.
shine	with	the	pres -	ence	of	Christ.

*to refrain*

# ***YOU* ARE WELCOME HERE!**

**Federated Church is an Open & Affirming Community.** In a time of deep division and vitriolic rhetoric around issues of race, ethnicity, gender, and sexuality, and where the dignity of people living with disabilities or mental health issues are often ignored, demonized, or turned into a joke, we promise to:

Welcome all people of every age, gender, race, national origin, faith expression, marital status & family structure, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, physical ability, mental or emotional condition, economic and social status, and educational background to share in the life, leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities, blessings, and joys of our church family.

**The Rainbow Flag:** We proudly display a rainbow flag at the front of our sanctuary as a visual declaration of God's extravagant and inclusive love, as well as of our own "promise of welcome" to all people. Our prayer is that everyone can both be and discover more fully their truest selves here. This flag serves as a particular signal that our church is a safe and affirming space for LGBTQ+ persons to be, to belong, to lead, to question, and to grow in faith.

# ***“Welcoming Any, Loving All”***

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An Open and Affirming (ONA) congregation**



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