NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, May 31, 2020

Pentecost

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: Prelude on Come, Holy Spirit, Come

*OPENING HYMN: ""Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow"

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Do not give easy or unthinking attention to this day's call to worship. For today we ask God's spirit to fill us, that we may prophesy, and dream dreams, and see visions. The call to worship today is a summons to be touched by holy fire.

PEOPLE: Even now the flames may dance above our heads,

Leader: Igniting our opinions on peacemaking so that they blaze into commitment.

PEOPLE: Even now the flames may be burning into our hearts,

- Leader: Animating us, leaving us no rest as individuals until God's justice and peace fill the earth as waters fill the seas.
 - ALL: Prophets, visionaries, dreamers! Let us all worship with courage and with hope.** originally published by UCC Stewardship Council for use for Peace Pentecost

*LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE ~unison

The fruit of silence is prayer, The fruit of prayer is faith, The fruit of faith is love The fruit of love is service The fruit of service is peace. Oh God, make us a people of peace!^{##} Amen.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:~unison

God, Holy Spirit, come to us, come among us;
Come as the wind, and cleanse;
Come as the fire, and burn;
Come as the dew, and refresh:
Convict, convert, and consecrate many hearts and lives
To our great good and your greater glory.***
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen. Eric Milner-White

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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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

9:30 a.m.

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Ludwig Lenel

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

SPECIAL MUSIC: Amazing Grace Joshua Peiffer, flute John Newton arr. Edwin O. Excell

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THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

"...no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

SPECIAL MUSIC: If Ye Love Me

Jeffrey Hutchins, vocals

If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may 'bide with you forever; E'en the sp'rit of truth. -John 14:15-17

SERMON: "Prophesy, Vision, and Dreams"

PASTORAL CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS PASTORAL PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY:

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit Alleluia! Alleluia!^{&&}

*Prayer of Dedication

THE GREETING OF PEACE

*CLOSING HYMN: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

***THE BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: Postlude in A Minor

Scott G. Morrow

Tune: Lasst uns erfruen

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Charles Vincent

Thomas Tallis (ca.1505-1585)

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The flowers this morning are given by Beth Anderson in Memory of her husband, Philip DiPeri, who passed away more than 7 years ago and would have been 77 this weekend; and my parents, Robert & Catherine Anderson, who are now together in Heaven.

In Our Prayers This Week are: Heather Purcell, Ona & Sam Gott, Ben & Cole Purcell, Heidi Welch, Mary Cestaro, Tim Peiffer, David Bellonio, Marlene Bellonio, Stefan McKosky, Rose Monaco, Sabrina Selmer, and Linda Shannon.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Martha Butterworth 05/31, Jeanne Reardon 06/02, Wendy Russo 06/02, Susan Compton 06/03, John Rankin 06/03, David Nottingham 06/04, Joan Melillo 06/06.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Mark & Martha Butterworth 06/06.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who continue to support the Food Pantry!

We would appreciate all donations, both non-perishable and monetary. Please bring your donations to the church between 8:00 and 2:30 p.m. Monday – Friday, or donate through our online giving via the website. Thank you for your support.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*			
Sunday	May 31	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP – Live Stream
Monday	June 1	10:00 a.m.	FOOD PANTRY OPEN
Tuesday	June 2	6:00 p.m.	BIBLE STUDY (Zoom)
Wednesday	June 3	10:00 a.m. 11:00	FOOD PANTRY OPEN STAFF MEETING (Zoom)
Thursday	June 4	7:00 p.m.	VIRTUAL CHOIR (Zoom)
Friday	June 5	10:00 a.m.	FOOD PANTRY OPEN
Saturday	June 6	8:00 a.m.	MEN'S FELLOWSHIP (Zoom)
Sunday	June 7	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP – Live Stream
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MISSION

Our church's mission is to bind ourselves with Jesus Christ in:

- Worship together;
- Nurture of Christian discipleship; and
- Compassionate service to our community and beyond.

VISION

We are a hub for the larger community as a church of action:

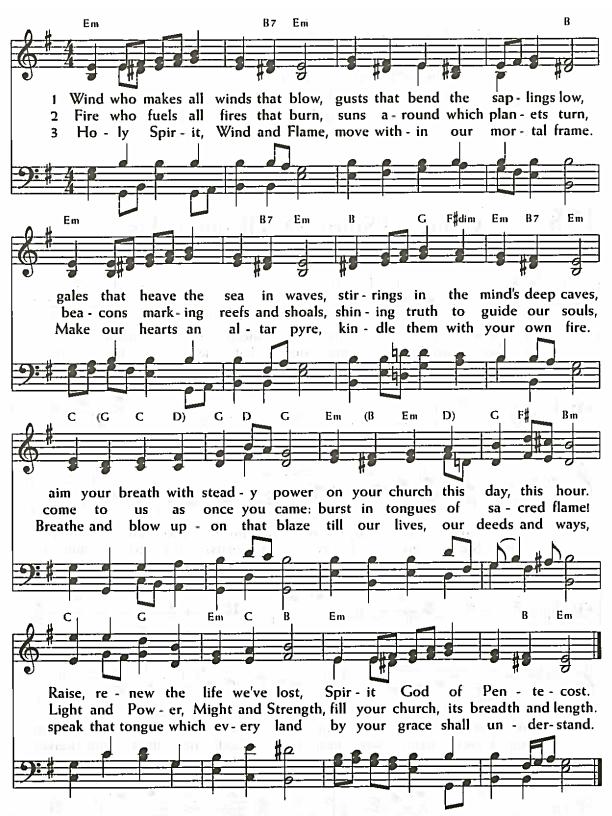
- Conducting regular, robust worship in a responsible and relevant way in an ever changing and challenging world;
- Welcoming all people from different and diverse backgrounds to become a community of disciples together; and
- Involved in purposeful action and activities through the structure of self-directed Mission Teams.

VALUES

We:

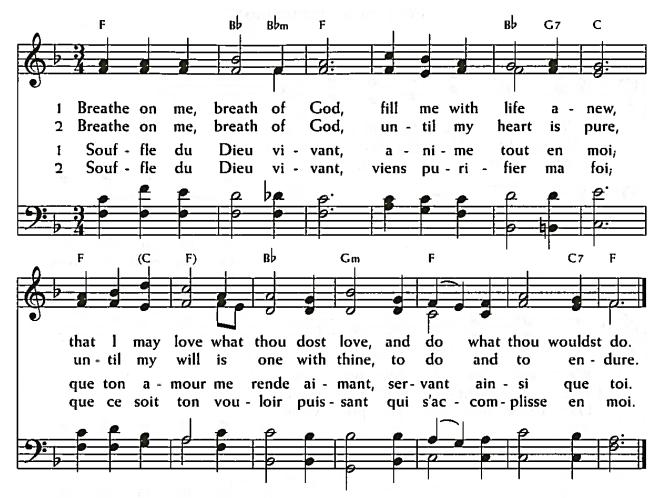
- Pray together, encourage each other, and trust one another;
- Take personal responsibility for fellowship and our community; and
- Celebrate with honored traditions.

***OPENING HYMN:** ""Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow"



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*CLOSING HYMN: "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"



- Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am wholly thine, until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.
- 4 Breathe on me, breath of God: so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.
- 3 Souffle du Dieu vivant, mets ton feu dans mon coeur; que tout en moi soit rayonnant de ton éclat, Seigneur.
- 4 Souffle du Dieu vivant, écarte enfin la mort; que pour jamais, dès maintenant, j'appartienne au Dieu fort.