

**Order of Worship – Pentecost Sunday**  
**Resurrection Stories: Transformed**

*May 19, 2024*

*Ten o'clock a.m.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Greeting and Passing of the Peace**

**Blessing of the Bells**

**Prelude** *Dance Capriccio*

Derek K. Hakes

*Bringing in the Christ light.*

**Resurrection Stories in Our Lives**

*We conclude this series by reflecting on our church's resurrection story,  
our story of transformation through community outreach.*

*The Spirit is alive and moves among us as it did in the early church. How do you see the Spirit at work  
guiding and mobilizing us to alleviate suffering and proclaim hope?*

**Gathering Song** *Every Word and Every Breath* (verse one)

Adam M.L. Rice and Mark A. Miller

**Ev'ry word and ev'ry breath;  
all the signs of grace you gave;  
by your life and by your death;  
by your rising from the grave:  
Lamb of God, you bring salvation,  
making us your new creation.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Call to Worship**

Leader: When God's people gather for worship,

**People: Surely the Spirit of God is in this place.**

Leader: When every voice is heard and everyone is made welcome,

**People: Surely the Spirit of God is in this place.**

Leader: When we carry God's welcome out into the world,

**People: Surely the Spirit of God will be in every place.**

Leader: When we tell the story of peace and justice with our lives,

**People: Surely the Spirit of God will be in every place.**

Leader: When we live in love and harmony with all people,

**People: Surely the Spirit of God will be in every place.**

**\*Opening Hymn** *O Breath of Life*

No. 250

**Opening Prayer<sup>i</sup>**

**Come, Holy Spirit, come. Renew your whole creation,  
nature and grace, soul and body, and all manner of matter.**

**Move in and around us and fill us**

**with your creative energy and extravagant light.**

**May our hearts be opened, may our hearts be stirred,  
for the work of love to which you call us**

**and the hope of the world for which we labor. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

**Thought for the Children**

**First Scripture Reading**

Romans 12:1-16

**Anthem** *Celebration Fanfare*

Jason W. Krug

**Second Scripture Reading**

Acts 2:1-21

**Sermon**

Rev. Cathlin Baker

**Testifying to Resurrection** – *Transformed*

Marjorie Peirce and Rev. Cathlin

**Sing of Lives Transformed** *Rise Up in Us*

Amanda Udis-Kessler

**Rise up in us and we will rise  
From death into a newfound life:  
From bondage freed, from harm released,  
From illness healed, as one in peace.  
When all is lost our hearts are warmed,  
Our hope restored, our lives transformed.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Sharing Our Gifts**

**Offertory** *Pentecost*

Medieval Carol, Pia Cantiones  
arr. Mark Schweizer

**\*Doxology (#46) and Prayer of Dedication**

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn** *Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us*

see attached

**Benediction**

**Sung Benediction** *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

No. 86

**Great is thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided --  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

**Postlude** *Come Holy Spirit, Lord God*

Adreas Armsdorf

*Christ's light is brought into the world.*

\*Those that are able please stand.

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Acts 2:1-36; Exod. 13:18-22; Ps. 118:19-29

Janie Alford, 1979; alt.

1 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us, come with Pen - te -  
 2 We would raise our al - le - lu - ias for the grace of  
 3 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; give us words of

cos - tal power; give the church a strong - er vi - sion,  
 for - mer years; for to - mor - row's un - known path - way,  
 fire and flame. Help our strug - gling voic - es praise you,

help us face each cru - cial hour. Built up - on a firm foun - da - tion,  
 hear, O God, our hum - ble prayers. In the church's pil - grim jour - ney  
 glo - ri - fy your ho - ly name. Good Cre - a - tor, Sav - ior, Spir - it,

Je - sus Christ, the Cor - ner - stone, still the church is  
 you have led us all the way, still in pres - ence  
 Three in One: what mys - ter - y! We would sing our

called to mis - sion that God's love shall be made known.  
 move be - fore us, fire by night and cloud by day.  
 loud ho - san - nas now and through e - ter - ni - ty.