

A Service for the Lord's Day May 23, 2021 ~ 10:00 am Day of Pentecost

Parts of the service in **bold** are for everyone to speak in unison.
Parts with an **asterisk** * mean that all are to stand in body or in spirit.

GATHERING TOGETHER

As the music begins, we invite you to use this time to make the transition from getting here to being here. Take these few minutes to silently prepare for worship and allow the Spirit to refresh you.

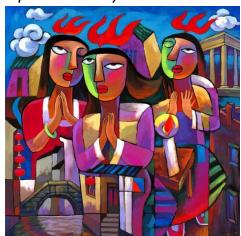
Prayer of the Day

Divine Disrupter, in the heart of the ordinary, you stir and surprise. We welcome your chaos as we release instincts to control. Though evil makes rigid oppresses with order, exploits through unjust rules and regulations, your love is a force of agitation, drawing the faithful together, rowdy with hope. May it be so among us. Amen

Gathering Music Reggie Berg

Welcome Rev. Sheri Fry

Introit O Clap your Hands Reggie Berg & Sara Love From Psalm 27 by Don McAfee



Call to Worship Liturgist Barbie Swanson

Leader: Holy Spirit, Divine Breath, Wild Winds of Change

All: She comes to rattle all that cages, Leader: to provoke with prophesies,

All: to disturb the quiet of evil's routines.

Leader: In her presence, all the earth trembles with anticipation of freedom.

All: A weary world is roused with hope!

Leader: She awakens the sense to the nearness of salvation.

All: She is the power of God poured out among us. Come, Spirit, come!

Lighting of the Christ Candle (unison)

Barbie Swanson

We give thanks for the light of hope - persistent and mysterious.

We give thanks for the light of peace – strong and unafraid.

We give thanks for the light of joy - determined and unpredictable.

We give thanks for the light of love - hot and holy.

Let the light we kindle before us, strong in hope, wide in good will, inviting the day to come. Amen.

*Hymn 280

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

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*Prayer of Confession

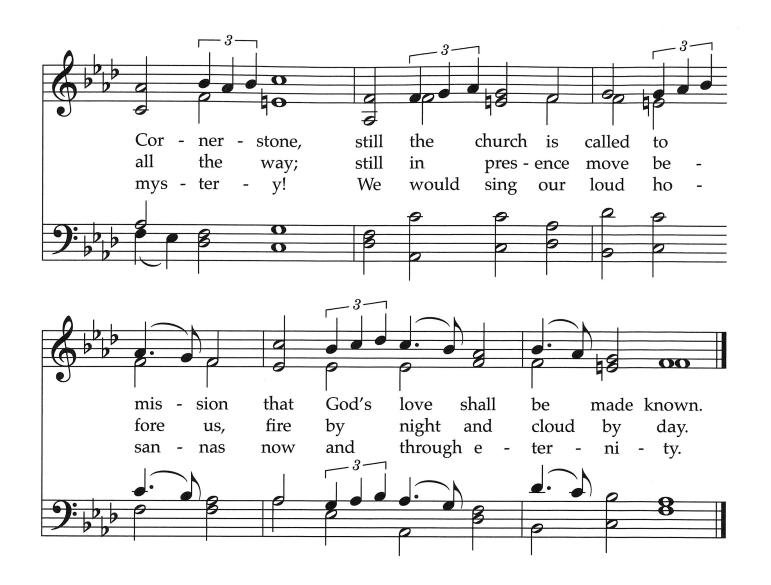
Rev. Sheri Fry

Creator God, when your Spirit speaks, we often turn deaf ears, for we fear what you might call us to do. When your Spirit touches our lips, we close our mouths, embarrassed to speak your Word. When the wind of your Spirit blows, we close the windows of our hearts, afraid the breeze will disrupt our ordered lives. Forgive us, O God, and fill us anew, with your Holy fire. Amen.

*Assurance of God's Love

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*Response of Praise

Glory be to the Father

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Barbie Swanson

May tongues of fire settle upon us, wakening us to your Living Word. Amen.

First Lesson

Psalm 104:24-34

Barbie Swanson

Leader: Listen to the voice of the Spirit speaking to the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

*This We Pray*Jay Althouse

Sara Love& Reggie Berg

Sermon Breath Mints Rev. Sheri Fry

Moment of Silent Reflection

RESPONDING IN FAITH

Affirmation of Faith (unison)

The Immigrant Apostles' Creed

Barbie Swanson

I believe in Almighty God, who guided the people in exile and in exodus, the God of Joseph in Egypt and Daniel in Babylon, the God of foreigners and immigrants.

I believe in Jesus Christ, a displaced Galilean, who was born away from his people and his home, who fled his country with his parents when his life was in danger. When he returned to his own country he suffered under the oppression of Pontius Pilate, the servant of a foreign power. Jesus was persecuted, and unjustly condemned to death. But on the third day Jesus rose from the dead to offer us citizenship in God's kingdom. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the eternal immigrant from God's kingdom among us, who speaks all languages, lives in all countries, and reunites all races. I believe that the Church is the secure home for all believers. I believe that the communion of saints begins when we embrace all God's people in all their diversity. I believe in forgiveness, which makes us all equal before God, and in reconciliation, which heals our brokenness. I believe that in the Resurrection God will unite us as one people in which all are distinct, and all are alike at the same time. I believe in life eternal, where all will be citizens of the kingdom where God reigns forever and ever. Amen.

Rev. Jose Luis Casal

Prayer and 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

Offering Ourselves and our Gifts

Rev. Sheri Fry

Offertory

Reggie Berg

*Doxology

Hymn 607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen

*Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Sheri Fry

God, you have so greatly loved us, long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us.

Give us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works, a continual thank offering to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

SENDING IN GOD'S LOVE

Music Rise Up
by Andrea Day

Affirmation of Graduating Seniors

Prayer of blessing on the High School Seniors

Leader: Loving God, we pause in prayer to place before you all the past four months have taught. Our learning from this time we present to you. What we have known and he ways we have grown in tasks partly completed in challenges met, in losses unexpected and foreseen, in creative energy, in disappointments, in surprises, in changed relationships. All this past experience we give over to your care and keeping. With gratitude and grace we give thanks for all in this place and those unable to be here this day who have cared for these seniors. For parents, friends, teachers, coaches, spiritual guides, wise agents of love.

*ALL: Together we seek your blessing upon Dorothy and Hannah for what is yet to be. We seek your blessings of imagination and insight for the learning in the years to come. For keen eyes to sense opportunity. For faithful ears to hear a call to speak truth. For steady obedience to the way of love, in teaching, in healing, in community, in spirit. Guide the feet of these young people as they depart along their separate roads. Give them hearts brimming with joy and goodness as they travel. Plant justice in their hands as a gift and a challenge, to hold out to those who await freedom, hope, peace and love. May your lives be a blessing to all. For all that has been, we offer thanks. For all that will be, we say YES! Amen.

*Hymn 286

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Charge & Benediction

Rev. Sheri Fry

Reggie Berg

Congregational Benediction Response

Everyone

Surely the Presence by Lanny Wolfe

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings. I see glory on each face. Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Postlude

Reggie Berg

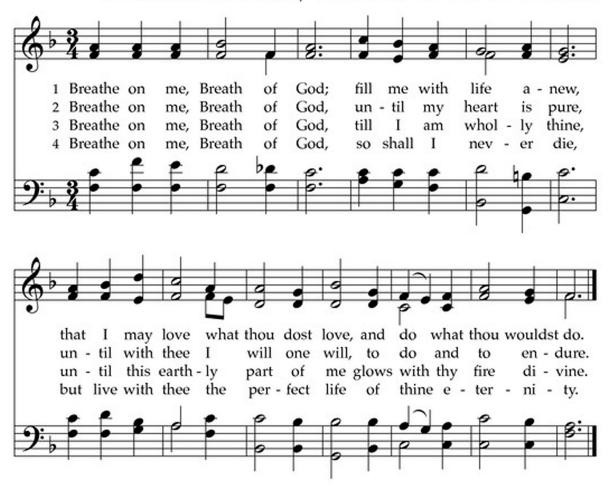
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Good Shepherd Staff Choir Director: Sara Love Accompanist: Reggie Berg Volunteers for the Service: Sound Booth: David Blount Liturgist: Barbie Swanson

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Joys and Concerns

Please pray Maxine K, recovering well from a broken bone; Mary K and Dawna S, recovering from surgery; for Howard A., Dawna's dad; for Patty S., recovering from an illness; Art and his family, grieving the loss of Jan; for the Bennett family who are grieving the loss of Diana's parents; the family of Barb W., who is now living with her daughter due to severe Alzheimer's disease; for the family of Burton K., who is in memory care and hospice care; for Pee Wee his family; Norm R.'s family, for Bill and Gayle, H.; for Jim S. and for Michelle W; for communities affected by COVID-19 or by human rights violations here in the United States and throughout the world; for our church, that it may thrive as it brings the good news to our area.

Did anyone find a cell phone in the church last Sunday? We need to return it to it's owner.



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Sermon Musings



On this Pentecost Sunday, the Spirit is moving! "The whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now," says Romans. Waiting. Yearning. Hoping for what has not yet taken place. In this resurrection era, God is doing a new thing. The prophecies of old begin to be perceived...the valley of dry bones come alive again. The people, in all their glorious differences, come together around shared ideas of love, liberation, and a world shaped by reconciliation with God. All lifeforms are surrounded by this radical grace. The hope we share will deliver everyone, everything, every creature great and small from evil and all its forces.

So how are you planning to celebrate Pentecost this year?
As the Holy Spirit fell on the disciples, the barriers of language and culture were broken down – not so that everyone thought and looked the same, but so that everyone understood each other in their own language and culture. In God's new

kingdom culture, we don't become an amorphous lump of homogeneity, but learn to appreciate and respect our differences.

My own understanding of this has been greatly enriched as I have listened to sisters and brothers from other cultures. All of us are on a journey wanting to understand who our siblings from other parts of the world are. We are all part of the same family – God's family – and like any family we are called to share life together as sisters and brothers. Learning to share life with people from all over the world means listening to their viewpoints, hearing their struggles and sharing their joys. And learning to share life in this way means walking together on a journey towards a deeper understanding of God's truth and a stronger commitment to God's kingdom ways. How do you collaborate with the Spirit and with each other to explore God's Kingdom ways?

FAMILY CAMPS AT HIGHLANDS PRESBYTERIAN CAMP & RETREAT CENTER

Mom, Dad, Grandparents & the Kids...all are invited to Family Camp this Summer at Highlands! Enjoy the beautiful mountain setting, make new friends, renew old friendships and enjoy activities with your family.

Stay in the Retreat Center or enjoy the rustic cabins. Counselors will also spend time with your kids while you enjoy a mountain view or conversations with other adults. Relax, Refresh & Renew! Contact www.highlandscamp.org

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June 24-26 July 2-5 July 16-18 June 27-29 July 11-13

July 18-21

Honoring our Graduates

Dorothy Bennett & Hannah Bond



Dorothy means 'gift from God' and how true that is. She was born two days before Christmas in 2002, we brought her home on Christmas Day. Many of you reading this from home or attending today have been a part of Dorothy's life for the past eighteen years. Some others are no longer with us, but will always hold a special place in Dorothy's heart.

Dorothy has fond memories of GSPC and in particular the Valentine Day visits to Sunny Acres, attending VBS, then later becoming a helper at VBS, youth group, summer camp visits to Ghost Ranch as well as to Highlands, shopping at the annual rummage sales, and even helping at the Food Bank. We are proud of the leadership skill set that Dorothy has exhibited over the years. This has led to her being captain of her high school swim team as well as voted MVP by her teammates. We are also proud of the dedication she has shown to her schoolwork, her swimming endeavors, but most importantly her dedication to leading a spiritual life. We have witnessed her applying her Christian principals regarding how she interacts with and treats family, friends, and teammates. After several years of being a successful swimmer for club teams as well as for Horizon High School, she was recruited and has chosen to attend Concordia University - Irvine, CA. Besides being on their swim team, she will major in International Business with a minor in Psychology. We are very proud of her and we hope that you, the members of GSPC are as well.



Hannah just graduated from Horizon High School and will be attending Case Wester Reserve University in Cleveland OH in the fall. She received an academic scholarship and her parents and family are so proud! She will be an undeclared pre-med major and hopes to attend medical school in the future to become an anesthesiologist. Hannah has enjoyed singing in the acapella group, Spectrum, while at Horizon and has loved working at Starbucks the last few years while finishing high school. She has a busy summer planned with work, family vacations and getting ready for college. We are so proud of all she has accomplished.



DIAPERS, WIPES AND FEMININE HYGEINE PRODUCTS DRIVE

MAY 9 - JUNE 20, 2021 ~ MOTHER'S DAY TO FATHER'S DAY

One in three families struggles to afford adequate diapers to keep their babies and toddlers clean and dry. This diaper need has been called a "silent crisis."

- Federal programs including SNAP or Link Card (formerly Food Stamps) and WIC do not cover the cost of diapers.
- Most childcare centers require parents to provide disposable diapers. Parents may not be able to work or go to school if their children cannot attend childcare.
- A cause we can all get behind.

 Diaper Drive
- Regardless of age or size, 6-10 diapers are needed daily (costing around \$100 per month)
- According to research from the National Diaper Bank Network, families nationwide report an average shortfall
 of 50 diapers per month, per child.
- For Infants and Children, it's a matter of hygiene and access to good childcare.
- One in 3 families in America struggle with diaper need. They often cut back on food, utilities, and other necessities to provide diapers for their children.
- Babies who are left too long in a dirty diaper can develop serious health concerns such as diaper rash or skin
 infections; these babies tend to be more irritable.

Research conducted at Johns Hopkins University found that feelings of guilt or shame associated with not being able to care adequately for her baby significantly impact a mother's mental health.

I care about the environment. Why supply disposable diapers instead of cloth?

Some families don't have in-home washing machines and most laundromats do not allow cloth diapers to be washed at their facilities.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Drop off packages of diapers in the white Box in the narthex at Good Shepherd.

WE THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THIS MINISTRY!

Sign up to Provide Flowers on Sundays

Now that we're back to worshiping in the sanctuary, we've resumed our arrangement with the King Soopers store at 104th and Federal for weekly fresh bouquets. To simplify this process, we're asking that those who sign up for them will pick them up on the way to church or the evening before and simply pay the store for them. After church, take the bouquet with you and enjoy it at home. If you cannot pick them up yourself, please let the office know, and we'll find a volunteer to pick them up for you.



Today's flowers are given in honor of Dorothy Bennett's graduation.

GOOD SHEPHERD CYCLING TEAM ~ ZIMBABWE MISSION PARTNERSHIP~ ELEPHANT ROCK RIDE!



- Sunday, June 6 the GS Cycling team will ride their bikes to support the Zim Mission Partnership.
- We do this to raise money, support & awareness for the Heather Chimhoga Orphan Care Center in Zimbabwe.
- The \$\$ raised will provide health, social services, educational and psychosocial support to over 1,000 orphans and vulnerable children in Murewa District in Zimbabwe.
- Please ride with us and/or support our Team Good Shepherd as all the dollars raised will support this
 important ministry in Zimbabwe. CONTACT Rev. Sheri Fry for more info if interested.
- You can make a donation to GSPC designated for Team Zim or access our donation page on Good Shepherds Facebook Page.
- We thank you for your years of prayer and financial support for our siblings in Christ in Zimbabwe!



WE LOVE OUR GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERS!! Please join us on Sunday, June 13 as Good Shepherd hosts an Appreciation & Thank You BBQ lunch on the patio for Food Bank Volunteers – JUNE 13 @ 11:30 a.m.

We want to thank our Food Bank volunteers for having such big hearts and lending their time, effort and resources in helping us fight food insecurity in our neighborhood and in Adams county...especially this past year during a pandemic!

We know how difficult it can be for the people who find themselves in need of the services the Food Bank provides. The words and actions of our volunteers go a long way toward helping people keep their dignity. We want our volunteers to know that their work hasn't gone unnoticed. *Please mark your calendar for June 13 immediately following the worship service to come enjoy lunch and say thank you to our Food Bank volunteers!*

Calendar

Mondays 9:30 am - 12 pm Men's Shed at the church
May 26th at 7 pm Worship Rehearsal
May 30th following worship - Congregational Meeting to Elect an Elder



The Colorado Safe Parking Initiative is a citizen led initiative to encourage safe, legal parking locations for individuals and families experiencing homelessness who are living in vehicles in Colorado's front range communities.

- Good Shepherd is working with the Colorado Safe Parking Initiative organization, the Northglenn City
 Council, Police Department, and the Homelessness Task Force to allow up to 5 cars to use our parking lot as a
 safe place to rest for people sheltering in their vehicles.
- The people participating in this program will be interviewed by the Colorado Safe Parking Initiative and have a criminal background check run as well as being interviewed by a small committee at Good Shepherd.
- We have met with two other churches in Golden and Arvada who have been participating in this program for the past year.
- A covenant of safe parking rules, consent and release of liability between the clients and Good Shepherd will
 be signed.
- A community meeting to inform our neighbors will be held to inform them and to answer their questions. The
 date for this meeting is still TBD.

Please contact Rev. Sheri Fry with your questions and concerns. Revmo25@gmail.com

RECYCLE UNWANTED PAINT ON May 22nd

Get rid of your old, unwanted oil and latex paint on May 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Maintenance and Operations Facility located at 12301 Claude Ct. Courtesy of GreenSheen and P.E.O.

Clean up your garage and basement and keep paint products out of the landfill! Recycle for FREE; voluntary cash contributions are greatly appreciated and will fund scholarships for women through P.E.O. Chapters AH, AI & EO. Please stay in your car, turn off your engine, pop your trunk, wear a mask.

Products Accepted

- Paints: acrylic, latex, oil, stains, shellacs, lacquers, sealers, varnishes,
 Urethanes, textured coatings
- 5 gallons cans or smaller
- Unlimited amounts
- Product must be in original, labeled, non-leaking containers

NOT Accepted

- Aerosol (spray) paint
- Paint thinner
- Solvents
- Cleaning Agents
- Drywall mud
- Roof patch

