First Presbyterian Church, Elk Rapids Sunday, May 31, 2020

Order of Worship - Online Service

Countdown to Worship

Welcome **Rev. Jim Porter** Lighting of the Christ Candle Prelude – "Come, Spirit, Come" by Beall **Cheryl Knight** Minute for Mission – Update from Roger & Erin Veliquette Family Video Call to Worship Leader: Lord, set our hearts on fire this day! Ignite in us today blazes that burn all fear away! People: Lord, we gather together this morning to be empowered to serve You. Leader: Cause the winds of change to blow away doubt and alienation! People: Leader: Praise God who has brought to us the Holy Spirit! People: Let us worship and rejoice--- wherever we are! ---for God is challenging and empowering us this day, both for our own sake and for the sake of others! All: Come, let us worship the living God made known to us through the power of the Holy Spirit! **Opening Prayer** All: Spirit of wind and fire, come to us this day, freeing us from our fears. Lift us up when we have fallen. Dust us off and set us squarely on the path to the Hope You have set before us. Remind us that we are never far from your presence. Get us ready for the great adventure and opportunities that lie before us, even in these difficult times. Mold us and form us into the people of God that You call us to be. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Opening Hymn – "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Verse

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord. There are sweet expressions on each face, And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Refrain

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, Stay right here with us, filling us with Your love. And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise. Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived When we shall leave this place.

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Message to the Children

Anthem – "Come, O Spirit, Truth Divine" by Larson

Scripture Reading – Acts 2:1-21 Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Fired Up! 🌢 🌢 "

Rev. Jim Porter

Responsive Special Music – "Spirit, Come, Down" by Hayes

Wayne Potter

Pastoral Prayer & 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.

Concluding Hymn 291 – "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

Refrain

Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free. Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

Verse 1

You moved on the waters; you called to the deep; then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep; and over the eons you called to each thing, "Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings."

Refrain

Verse 4

You call from tomorrow; you break ancient schemes; from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams. Our women see visions; our men clear their eyes. With bold new decisions you people arise.

Refrain

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Charge and Blessing

Leader: In the coming week what does God call us to do?

People: We are called to: Introduce Jesus Christ to those who do not know Him; deepen the faith and commitment of those who already know Him; and demonstrate Christ's way of love in service to the world.

Benediction

Special Choral Closing – "I Feel the Spirit Moving"

Postlude

Worship Concludes – Service Begins!

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