

Pentecost Sunday – May 19, 2013

Music Prelude		Glenda Teachey
*Call To Worship	"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"	#334
Welcome & Announcements		
*Procession	"O Spirit of the Living God"	#539
Praises & Prayer Requests		
Hymn of Preparation	"Spirit of the Living God"	#393
Liturgy of the Word:		
Old Testament	Acts 2:1-11	Shirley Massey
New Testament	Psalm 104:25-32	
Anthem	"You and I"	Rockland Choir
*Gospel	John 20:19-23	Pastor Bill Faupel
	<i>L: This is the Gospel of the Lord.</i>	
	<i>P: Thanks be to God.</i>	

Message: "Pentecost: The Birth Day of the Church" Pastor Bill Faupel



The Feast of Pentecost usually comes around the time of my birthday. This year it is a little early, my birthday is still nine days away. When I was a child, I couldn't wait until my next birthday. It was a time to party, it meant presents, and it meant I was another year older! But it was momentary – I was always impatient to get on with it – I was never six, I was six going on seven! As I've grown older, my perspective has changed. Birthdays are a time to take stock of life, to remember significant moments. For the Church, the Feast of Pentecost is very similar. True it is a day of celebration, but it is also a day to remember: To remember Who we are as the people of

God; to remember from where we have come; so that we might better grasp where we are going. This year Pentecost comes at a time when we are entering a period of transition. Pastor Bill is leaving, Pastor Katie will soon arrive – but the real leader, the Comforter who has promised to lead us into all truth, has come –so today let us celebrate the Birth Day of the Church!

*Affirmation of Faith #885

***Please stand as you are able**

Liturgy of the Table:

+Holy Communion		Barb Cook
	<i>+Everyone is welcome to take Holy Communion who has accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord. Please receive the bread from the server in your cupped hands, and either dip it into the chalice before eating or take an individual cup from the server.</i>	
*Closing Hymn	"Spirit of God" Vs. 1,2,4,5	#500
*Blessing		Pastor Bill Faupel
*Benedictory Response	"Spirit Song"	#347
Postlude		Glenda Teachey

Next Sunday's Scriptures:

Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Revelation 4:1-11; John 16:5-15

To our Guests, thank you for visiting us today. Please fill out a visitor's card located in the pews and place it in the offering plate, or see an usher or the Pastor. Join us in the Overflow Room for a "Meet & Greet" after the service...

We welcome you to worship with us again!



Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, they are forgiven. If you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." John 20:22-23 (New Living Translation)

***Please stand as you are able**