

Central Saanich United Church
United Church of Canada
Pentecost Sunday
June 5th, 2022

Scripture Reader: Bhree Young-Merry & Tony Merry
Greeters: Bhree Young-Merry & Tony Merry

*We are glad you have joined us for worship today!
You are welcome; you are valued; God loves you!
Here is some information for you:*

- Participants must be vaccinated for covid-19.
- The wearing of masks is a matter of personal preference.
- Washrooms are available just inside the door of the hall (adjacent to the building used for worship).
- A financial offering may be left, before or after worship, in the bowl located at the wall, just inside the entrance way of the worship space. (*arrangements may be made to make offerings in other ways. Be in touch with the church office for details*)
- Sunday School is always available for any child desiring to attend.
- Our friendly greeters are available to assist you.

WE GATHER

Prelude
Welcome, Celebrations, Announcements
Lighting the Christ Candle

Hymn: **Come, O Holy Spirit** **MV 23**

Opening words....
What is Spirit, unseen, intangibly tangible?
Spirit is like the air we breathe, breathing life into being with our every breath.
Spirit is mystery beyond grasping, but not beyond holding us, tenderly and gently.
Spirit is strength to create and sustain every universe and also each creature and every person.
Spirit is love, pure and true love.
Spirit is dancing across the solar sky bursting with joy.

The Spirit of God is purity of purpose, peace, and grace.

The Spirit is among us today as we worship.

(adapted from a resource by Diane Trollope in Gathering, Pentecost 1, 2022, p. 27)

We pray....

Come, Holy Spirit – breathe into our hearts the holy fire of change:
sparks of resiliency, improvisation, innovation, and ingenuity.

See our talents flare with holy energy!

Give us wings of piping-hot courage.

Ignite our tongues with compassionate words
in burning confrontation and refusal of all evil.

Fill our souls with flames of inclusive love
as we reach out to others, enveloping us all in glowing coals of acceptance.

Then, grant us lasting embers of strength and faith

To embrace the new world of your creation. Amen.

(by Jani Francis in Gathering, Pentecost 1 – 2022, p. 27)

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(please refer to the bulletin insert)

Hymn: **Child of Blessing, Child of Promise** **VU 444**

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD

Ringing the Tone Bell (invitation to a moment of quiet)

Special Music: “Welcome Without End” (*by Michael A. Schmid*)

From our Scriptures: Acts 2:1-8; 12-21

From the World Around Us: “The Grace That Scorches Us –
A Blessing for Pentecost Day”
(by Jan Richardson in Circle of Grace)

Sermon: “The Grace of Daily Obligation”

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

Hymn: **Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness** **VU 375**

Offering

Invitation

What Can I Do?

MV 191

Dedication of the Gifts

We pray...

Hymn: **Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying** **VU 400**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: **Spirit God, Be Our Breath** **MV 150**

Commissioning and Benediction:

O God, may the boldness of your Spirit transform us,
may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us,
may the gifts of your Spirit equip us

to serve and worship you now and always.

May the blessing of God, Creator and Giver of Life,
the Son, Life of God incarnate,
and the Holy Spirit, bearer and power of new life
be with us now and forever.

Amen.

(adapted from "Celebrating God's Presence, United Church of Canada, pp. 210-211)

Going Forth: **Dance with the Spirit (2X)** **MV 156**

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All meetings will take place in the Sanctuary unless noted otherwise

❖ We welcome, with joy, Emma, her parents, Grethel and Viri, Godparents Estefania and Gimena and their son Luciano. Emma will be received into the universal Church of Christ today by way of the Sacrament of Baptism.

❖ **Worship Committee**, Thursday, June 9, 2:00

❖ **Centering Prayer**, Friday June 10, 11:00

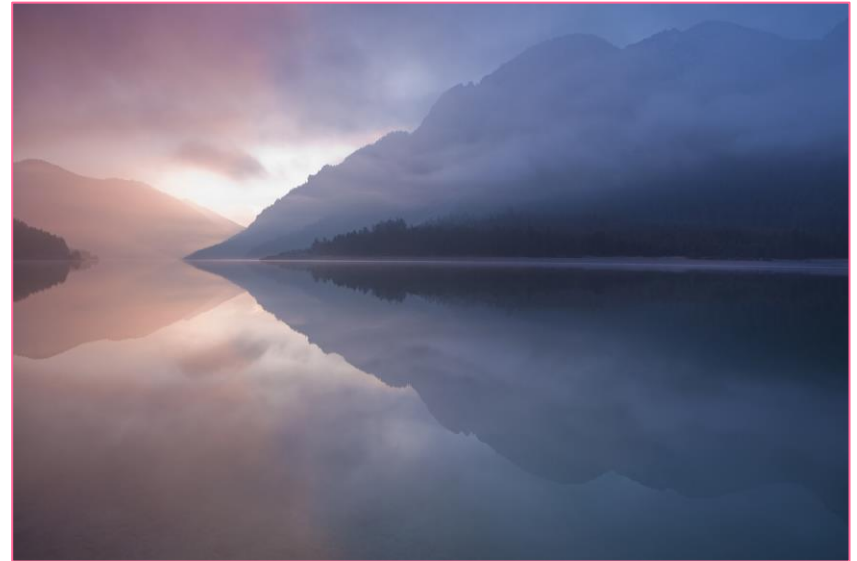
❖ **Future Services of Worship:**

June 12 – Worship with the Music of the Beatles

June 19 – Indigenous People's Sunday

June 26 – Pride Sunday

July 3 – Celebrating Sacrament of Baptism



Our Vision Statement

***"Deepening and demonstrating our faith in Jesus Christ
by partnering in and with the community of Central
Saanich and beyond."***

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