



GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Service of Worship
Day of Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday

June 4, 2017 11:05am

Gathering All People in a Caring Christian Community

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Fred Holbrook
(Please sign and pass the Grace Greetings books at this time.)

VBS LUNCHEON Matt Stromberg

INTROIT "I Will Bless the Lord" Music by Douglas Nolan
Exaltation! & Ex! Alumni Words by J. Paul Williams
Rebecca Prater, director – Ronda McDonald, piano

*CALL TO WORSHIP
One: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!
All: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed.
One: Remember the promise of the Lord:
All: God will pour out the Spirit on all flesh. Let us worship God.

*HYMN 289 "On Pentecost They Gathered" MUNICH
(The children are invited to come forward on the final stanza.)

COME AS A CHILD
(Worship bags are available for children who remain in the Sanctuary. Nursery age children are welcome to be taken to our Nursery which is located in the Children's Wing. An usher can direct you.)

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(unison)*
Perplexing, Pentecostal God, you infuse us with your Spirit, urging us to envision and dream. May the gift of your presence find voice in our lives, that our babbling may be transformed into discernment and the flickering of many tongues light an unquenchable fire of compassion and justice. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
One: May the peace of Christ be with you and everyone.
All: And also with you and all others!
(Let us greet one another with expressions of love.)

*HYMN 285 "Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song" BRIDEGROOM
(v. 1 Leader, v. 2 & 3 All)

SUNG TESTIMONY Traditional Spiritual
"I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing" arr. H. Helvey
Chancel Choir – Cindy Schendel, soloist
Edwin Fukunaga & Chris Krug, piano 4-hands
*I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing, and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
I'm gonna preach when the Spirit says preach, and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
I'm gonna pray when the Spirit says pray, and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
I'm gonna shout when the Spirit says shout, and obey the Spirit of the Lord.*

*Equipping People to Develop and Share a
Faith That Works in Real Life*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Proverbs 13:1–6 Jenna Soule
(Old Testament, Page 595)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON John 11:1–8
(New Testament, Page 104)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Foolish Extravagance" Fred Holbrook

Sending People to Serve in the World

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC Chris Krug

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
The Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.

The Words of Institution
The Sharing of the Bread and Cup
*When passing the bread say: "The bread of life given for you."
When passing the wine/juice say: "The cup of hope poured out for you." Responses may be: "Thanks be to God," "Amen," or "Alleluia."
(Trays contain red wine and white grape juice. For a gluten-free option, notify an usher and an elder will bring them to you.)*

Communion Music
Prayer after Communion

RECEPTION OF THE CONFIRMATION CLASS
Introductions
Constitutional Questions
Confirmation
Lighting of Candles and Presentation of Certificates
Covenant with the Confirmands *(to be said by all)*
As you join us in ministry as members of Grace Covenant and step to our side to embrace the challenges of living faithfully in the world, we pledge our commitment to be your companions in the journey of faith.

So, too, we ask for God's blessings upon you. May God bless you with strength to seek justice in all you do. May God bless you with wisdom to know the truth that will set you free. May God bless you with love that will last a lifetime. And may God bless you with hope that will withstand every challenge. As we are blessed by your being here, so we seek to be a blessing to you in the name of God! (GENTLE showering of blessings.)

*HYMN 488 "I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry" WATERLIFE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Chris Krug

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