

Pentecost Weekend

May 18, 2024

5:30pm Contemporary Worship

Communion Song: *Holy Spirit Rain Down* CCLI 2405227

Chorus Holy Spirit rain down rain down, O Comforter and Friend
How we need Your touch again, Holy Spirit rain down rain down
Let Your power fall let Your voice be heard,
Come and change our hearts as we stand on Your Word, Holy Spirit rain down

Verse No eye has seen no ear has heard
No mind can know what God has in store
So open up heaven open it wide
Over Your church and over our lives

Ending Let Your power fall let Your voice be heard
Come and change our hearts as we stand on Your Word
Holy Spirit rain down

***Table Blessing**

***Prayer after Communion:** P: Let us pray. **C: Risen and Living Lord, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share your abundant mercy. Amen.**

***Benediction:** P: The God of resurrection power, the Christ of unending joy, and the Spirit of Easter hope ✠ bless you now and always. **C: Amen**

***Sending Song:** *Open Up the Heavens* BB17

1 We've waited for this day We're gathered in Your Name Calling out to You
Your glory like a fire awakening desire Will burn our hearts with truth
You're the reason we're here You're the reason we're singing

Chorus Open up the heavens we want to see You Open up the floodgates a mighty river
Flowing from Your heart Filling every part of our praise

2 Your presence in this place Your glory on our face We're looking to the sky
Descending like a cloud You're standing with us now Lord unveil our eyes

Bridge Show us show us Your glory Show us show us Your power Show us show us Your glory Lord

***Dismissal:** L: And now may the Holy Spirit fill us with love and send us forth to proclaim that God's kingdom of love is alive and well! **C: Thanks be to God!**

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WELCOME TO TRINITY! This service is being livestreamed to our neighbors near and far on Facebook and YouTube, with full sanctuary video coverage of all leaders and worshippers.

Communion: All are invited to take part.

Your Offering: Please place your offering in the plates on the table at the back of the Sanctuary or use our E-Giving tool on the website: TLCbradenton.com.

Please fill in the Blue Form inside this bulletin so we may record your attendance, know your desire to be involved in our activities, receive your prayer requests and record your contact information.

Welcome and Announcements

**Please stand as you are able.*

***Call to Worship:**

L: The Day of Pentecost is here! God's children have gathered in this place:

C: We are transformed into God's family by God's Spirit joining with ours.

L: Come, Spirit of adoption, and open our hearts to our sisters and brothers:

C: Come, Holy Spirit!

L: Come, Spirit of peace, and calm our trembling hearts:

C: Come, Holy Spirit!

L: Come, Breath of God, and overturn our conventional lives:

C: Come, Holy Spirit!

***Gathering Song:** *Holy Spirit* BB7

1 There's nothing worth more that will ever come close
Nothing can compare You're our living hope Your Presence

2 I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone In Your Presence Lord

Chorus Holy Spirit You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory God is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your Presence Lord

Interlude Your Presence Lord Your Presence how we love Your Presence Lord

Bridge Let us become more aware of Your Presence
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness (Lord)

***Confession and Forgiveness:**

P: Called to proclaim repentance, we are reluctant to look at our own failings. Invited to witness to God's loving forgiveness of sins, we would rather not speak aloud of our own. Let us trust in the One who offers us hope and healing, as we pray together, saying,

C: **You call us to proclaim a gospel we find difficult to practice, God Most High. We watch our clocks to make sure we spend more time with ourselves than with you. We are hesitant to witness to your power from on high, as we are uncertain of your presence in our lives. Forgive us, God of Light. Fill us with the healing presence of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your good news, as we participate in the life and suffering of our world, as did your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.**

(Silence for reflection)

P: Choosing to set aside judgment, God gives us justice; choosing to let go of punishment, God fills us with peace; choosing to release anger, God's steadfast love rests upon us.

C: **Forgiven, redeemed, restored — we will tell everyone, through the lives we lead, what God has done for us. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Scripture: John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

J.O.Y. Message

Message Song: *They Will Know We Are Christians* BB10

1 We are one in the Spirit We are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity May one day be restored

Chorus And they'll know we are Christians By our love by our love
Yes they'll know we are Christians By our love

2 We will walk with each other We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other We will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news That God is in our land

3 We will work with each other We will work side by side
We will work with each other We will work side by side
And we'll guard each man's dignity And save each man's pride

4 All praise to the Father From whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus His only Son
And all praise to the Spirit Who makes us one

Sermon:

Pastor Kerri True

A Time for Silent Meditation

***Apostles' Creed:**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Prayers of Intercession:** *Each prayer concludes:* Lord, in your mercy, C: **Hear our prayer.**

***The Peace:** L: The peace of the Lord be with you always! C: **And also with you!**

***Offering Prayer:** P: Let us pray C: **Risen One, you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.**

***The Table:**

P: Lord God, you draw and welcome us, emptied of pride and hungry for grace, to this your kingdom feast.

C: **Nowhere can we find the food for which our souls cry out but here, Lord at your table.**

P: Invigorate and nourish us, that in and through this Bread and Wine,

C: **your love may meet us and your life complete us in the power and glory of your kingdom. Amen.**

***Words of Institution**

***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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

To receive communion, come forward using the center aisle. A communion assistant will place the bread in your hands. Then take an empty cup to be filled with wine or grape juice. If you would like the assistant to hold the cup for you while filling it, just point to the empty cups rather than taking one. Wine is in the silver chalices, and grape juice is in the tan chalices. As you return to your seat, place your empty cup in the silver tray on the pedestal. Children are welcome at the Table to receive the Sacrament or a blessing, as parents indicate. If your mobility is limited, notify us and assistants will bring the elements to you. Please note that Christ is fully present in each element, so you can take only the bread if you wish.