



## TENNESSEE-WESTERN KENTUCKY ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OPENING WORSHIP

Monday, June 17, 2024

8:45 a.m.

GATHERING MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL, "God is Here"

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMNS, "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling," st. 1-3

**1 Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heav'n to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
all thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation;  
enter every trembling heart.**

**2 Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit  
into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in thee inherit,  
let us find that second rest.  
Take away our bent to sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning,  
set our hearts at liberty.**

**3 Come, Almighty to deliver;  
let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return and never,  
nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above;  
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.**

"God is Here"

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"Love Divine, All Loves  
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"Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

**1 Come, O Spirit, dwell among us;  
come with Pentecostal power;  
give the church a stronger vision;  
help us face each crucial hour.  
Built upon a firm foundation,  
Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,  
still the church is called to mission  
that God's love shall be made known.**

**2 We would raise our alleluias  
for the grace of yesteryears;  
for tomorrow's unknown pathway,  
hear, O Lord, our humble prayers.  
In the church's pilgrim journey  
you have led us all the way;  
still in presence move before us,  
fire by night and cloud by day.**

**3 Come, O Spirit, dwell among us;  
give us words of fire and flame.  
Help our feeble lips to praise you,  
glorify your holy name.  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
Three in One: what mystery!  
We would sing our loud hosannas  
now and through eternity.**

"Father, We Have Heard You Calling," st. 3, 4

**3 Holy Spirit, fire of heaven,  
fall upon us here today.  
Bring release, bring tears, bring passion,  
then transform your church, we pray.  
As you pour your grace upon us,  
may we always thirst to be  
one in love and one in worship –  
children of eternity.**

**4 Praise we bring to God the Father,  
praise we bring to God the Son,  
praise to God the Holy Spirit,  
praise to you, the three in one.  
Trinity of love inspire us,  
may we always strive to be  
one in love and one in worship –  
children of eternity.**

"Come, O Spirit, Dwell  
Among Us"

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“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling,” st. 4

**4 Finish then, thy new creation;  
pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee.  
Changed from glory into glory,  
till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.**

OPENING SCRIPTURE, Acts 2:1-21

ACT OF PRAISE, “You Are Good”

**Lord, you are good  
And your mercy endureth forever  
Lord, you are good  
And your mercy endureth forever**

**People from every nation and tongue  
From generation to generation**

**We worship you  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
We worship you for who you are**

**We worship you  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
We worship you for who you are  
And you are good!**

**Yes, you are, yes, you are, yes, you are  
So good, so good  
Yes, you are, yes, you are, yes, you are**

**You are good all the time  
All the time you are good  
You are good all the time  
All the time you are good**

SCRIPTURE, Acts 2:22-36

SERMON, Rev. Stephen Handy

RESPONSE, “Spirit of the Living God”

“You Are Good”

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## PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

God of rushing wind,  
coming from where it wants  
and going to where it wants,  
**pour out your Spirit upon us.**

God of fire,  
flaring on gathered disciples  
and burning away their stubborn pride,  
**pour out your Spirit upon us.**

God of miraculous speaking and hearing,  
amazing the faithful and riveting their attention  
to what is about to happen,  
**pour out your Spirit upon us.**

God of the young who see visions,  
of the old who dream dreams,  
of male prophets and female prophets,  
**pour out your Spirit upon us.**

God of wonders above the signs below,  
God of blood, fire and billowing smoke,  
**pour out your Spirit upon us.**

You raised up Peter to prophesy on Pentecost,  
Peter to preach straight truth  
to a crooked generation,  
Peter to accuse people he loved of complicity  
in the death of Jesus.

**pour out your Spirit upon us.**  
God of wind and fire and tongues,  
God of visions and dreams and prophecies,  
God of signs and wonders,  
**pour out your Spirit upon us.**

You raised up Peter to preach Jesus  
to a skeptical audience,  
and with the two-edged sword of Peter's word  
you cut through the armor of a crooked generation,  
you pricked their hearts and saved them.

**Great God, send your Spirit to save us too.**

You sent your Spirit to assail hard hearts.  
You sent repentance and faith,  
baptism and forgiveness,  
teaching and fellowship,  
communion and prayer.

**Great God, send your Spirit to save us too.**

*All may offer silent prayers of confession.*

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.  
**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**  
**Glory to God! Amen.**

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OFFERING, Mama Lynn Center

OFFERTORY, "Old Church Choir"

\*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts;  
praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts.  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit  
Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

In the beginning your Spirit moved  
over the face of the waters.

You formed us in your image  
and breathed into us the breath of life.

When we turned away, and our love failed,  
your love remained steadfast.

Your Spirit came upon prophets and teachers,  
anointing them to speak your Word.

And so, with your people on earth  
and all the company of heaven  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the  
highest, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the  
highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

At his baptism in the Jordan

your Spirit descended upon him

and declared him your beloved Son.

With your Spirit upon him he turned away  
the temptations of sin.

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"Old Church Choir"

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Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news  
to the poor,  
to proclaim release to the captives  
and recovering of sight to the blind,  
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,  
and to announce that the time had come  
when you would save your people.

He healed the sick, fed the hungry,  
and ate with sinners.  
By the baptism of his suffering, death,  
and resurrection,  
you gave birth to your Church,  
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,  
and made with us a new covenant  
by water and the Spirit.  
When the Lord Jesus ascended,  
he promised to be with us always,  
baptizing us with the Holy Spirit and with fire,  
as on the Day of Pentecost.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us,  
he took bread,  
gave thanks to you, broke the bread,  
gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,  
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples,  
and said:  
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the  
new covenant,  
poured out for you and for many  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me."

On the day you raised him from the dead  
he was recognized by his disciples  
in the breaking of the bread,  
and in the power of your Holy Spirit  
your Church has continued  
in the breaking of the bread  
and the sharing of the cup.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts  
in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will  
come again. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna  
in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,  
redeemed by his blood  
and empowered by the gifts of the Spirit.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,  
one with each other,  
and one in ministry to all the world,  
showing forth the fruit of the Spirit  
until Christ comes in final victory,  
and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
all honor and glory is yours,  
almighty God, now and forever.

**Amen, amen, amen. Hosanna in the highest,  
hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the  
highest.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Please sing at the direction of the song leader.*

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECEIVING

#### HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

#### "Holy Spirit"

**There's nothing worth more  
That will ever come close  
Nothing can compare  
You're our living hope  
Your presence, Lord**

**I've tasted and seen  
Of the sweetest of love  
When my heart becomes free  
And my shame is undone  
Your presence, Lord**

#### "The Lord's Prayer"

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#### "Holy Spirit"

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**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  
Your presence, Lord**

**Let us become more aware  
Of your presence  
Let us experience the glory  
Of your goodness  
Let us become more aware  
Of your presence  
Let us experience the glory  
Of your goodness**

**"Spirit Song"**

**Oh, let the Son of God enfold you  
with his Spirit and his love;  
Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul  
Oh, let him have the things that hold you,  
and his Spirit, like a dove,  
Will descend upon your life  
and make you whole**

*Refrain:*

**Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs  
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs**

**Oh, come and sing this song with gladness  
as your hearts are filled with joy  
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name  
Oh, give him all your tears and sadness,  
give him all your years of pain,  
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.**

*Refrain*

**"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"**

**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.**

**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.**

**"Spirit Song"**

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**"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"**

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"I'm Goin'a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"

**1 I'm goin'a sing\* when the Spirit says sing,  
I'm goin'a sing when the Spirit says sing,  
I'm goin'a sing when the Spirit says sing,  
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.**

**\* pray, moan, shout, sing**

SCRIPTURE AFTER RECEIVING, Acts 2:46-47

\*CLOSING HYMN, "O Spirit of the Living God"

**1 O Spirit of the living God,  
thou light and fire divine,  
descend upon thy church once more,  
and make it truly thine.  
Fill it with love and joy and power,  
with righteousness and peace;  
till Christ shall dwell in human hearts,  
and sin and sorrow cease.**

**2 Blow, wind of God! With wisdom blow  
until our minds are free  
from mists of error, clouds of doubt,  
which blind our eyes to thee.  
Burn, winged fire! Inspire our lips  
with flaming love and zeal,  
to preach to all thy great good news,  
God's glorious commonweal.**

**3 Teach us to utter living words  
of truth which all may hear,  
the language all may understand  
when love speaks loud and clear;  
till every age and race and clime  
shall blend their creeds in one,  
and earth shall form one family  
by whom thy will is done.**

**4 So shall we know the power of Christ  
who came this world to save;  
so shall we rise with him to life  
which soars beyond the grave;  
and earth shall win true holiness,  
which makes thy children whole;  
till, perfected by thee, we reach  
creation's glorious goal!**

"I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing"

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Beloved, go!  
Go out into this world filled with the Holy Spirit.  
Let the Spirit give you words when you have none.  
Let the Spirit stop your tongue when listening is the answer.  
Let the Spirit strengthen you when the way ahead is hard.  
Go in peace and bring the peace and fiery flames of Holy Spirit with you wherever you go. **Amen.**

CLOSING MUSIC

\* GOING FORTH

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*Worship leaders:*

*Austin Wessel, organist*  
*Shackled feet DANCE*  
*Chancel Ringers, St. Mark's UMC,*  
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*Sam Thompson*  
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*Quentin Dickerson, keyboard*  
*Reed Gaines, bass*  
*Phil Hughley, guitar*  
*Brady Spencer, drums*  
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*Mike Casteel, trumpet*  
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