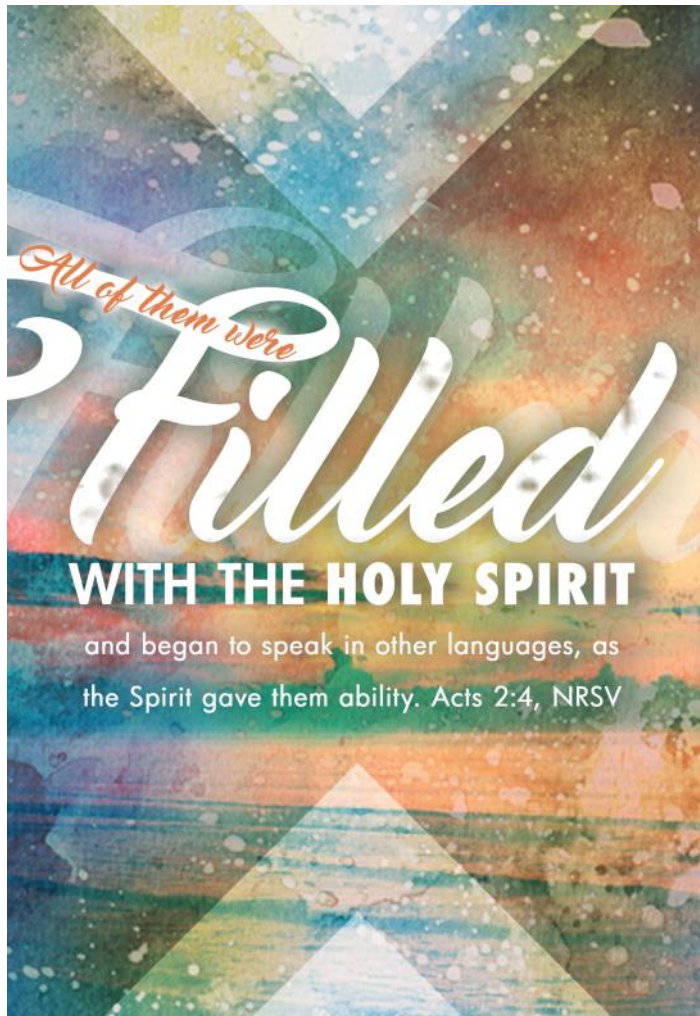


Learning Languages—Pentecost Sunday
May 23, 2021
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*All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.
~ Acts 2:4*

PRELUDE

*“Intermezzo in F Major”
by Johannes Brahms*

Judy Widrig

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WELCOME MUSIC

“Windy God”
by Rachael Weasley

Rachael Weasley

Windy God, take the fi - re of my tongue and let it
sing for you! Win-dy God, take the fi - re of my tongue and let it
sing for you! Win-dy God, take the fi - re of my tongue, Win-dy
God, take the fi - re of my tongue and Win - dy God, take the
fi - re of my tongue and let it sing for you! Win - dy

The musical score is written on five staves in treble clef with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The time signature changes from 2/4 to 4/4 and back to 2/4. The lyrics are placed below the notes.

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ACTS 2:4

Korean

Evan Ritchie

A VISUAL PRAYER

“Come, Great Spirit!”
by Chris Neufeld-Erdman

The Work of the People

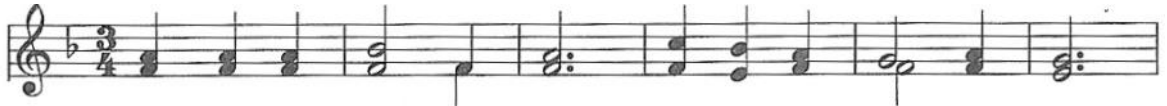
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German

John Tilley

HYMN**"Breathe On Me, Breath of God"**

TRENTHAM



1 Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new
 2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, stir in me one de - sire:
 4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,



That I may love the way you love and do what you would do.
 Un - til with you I will one will, to do and to en - dure.
 That ev - ery earth - ly part of me may glow with ho - ly fire.
 But live with you the per - fect life of your e - ter - ni - ty.

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ACTS 2:4

Italian

Bud Swarens

READER'S THEATER

Children & Youth

ACTS 2:4

Hebrew

Tim Shepherd

INVITATION TO OFFERING

John Mark & Mona Slagle

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MUSICAL MEDITATION

“Come Into My Heart”

Rev. Kelekolio and Danette Koloï,
Samoan Congregational Christian Church in Seattle

ACTS 2:4

Spanish

Diane Cooper-Schick

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:1-21

John Mark & Mona Slagle

New Revised Standard Version

ACTS 2:4

American Sign Language

Meril Davenport

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

John Mark & Mona Slagle

One: For the Word of God in scripture,
for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us:

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Learning Languages”

Sharon Benton



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



to Refrain

"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

ACTS 2:4

French

Allegra Ritchie

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Davi Weasley

The Prayer of Jesus

*We invite you to use the language for God that is most comfortable for you:
"Our Creator," "Our Father" or "Our Mother."*

Our Creator

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 and ever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Davi Weasley

POSTLUDE

"Invention in F Major"
by J. S. Bach

Clara & Mia Kelly

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We Try To Use Language which will help people feel included in our worship. Since not everyone is comfortable with the same language, we invite you to amend the words of the service as we sing and pray if they do not adequately express your faith. We invite you to assist us in creating new expressions of our common faith and life together.

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