

**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.**

All sit.

Please turn to page 33 in your hymnal.

Confirmation and Laying on of Hands

Reception of New Members and Confirmands

New Members—Michael, Larissa, and Cooper Dreyfus

Reception into the United Methodist Church

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you,
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you in the body of Christ
and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church,
we renew our covenant to faithfully participate
in the ministries of the church by
our prayers,
our presence,
our gifts
our service,
and our witness
that in everything, God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

Anthem

“Draw the Circle Wide”
Chancel Choir

SENDING FORTH

Go forth now as Pentecost people,
filled with the Spirit, dreaming dreams,
and seeing visions of God’s possibilities.

**We go forth, knowing we are beloved and blessed
by a God who never leaves us alone.**

Go, to be surprised by the Spirit in all that you do
and everywhere that you go.

**We go, claiming our identity as Pentecost people—
people of wind and fire, dreams and visions,
people filled with that most amazing
and transforming Spirit. Amen.**

Postlude

(UMH) United Methodist Hymnal
(B) Black Binder

Ushers: Gene and Jan Parsons



The Service of Worship

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Pentecost Sunday Confirmation Sunday

Sunday, June 8, 2014 at 10:00 am

*You are invited to worship with us in the quiet of prayer, in the joy of song,
and in the desire to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

We especially welcome every visitor today. We are very glad you came.

Part of our mission is to be a place for all people. All are welcome here!

*Whatever your gender, age, race, religious background,
economic status, sexual orientation or condition of ableness,
we greet you as a beloved child of God.*

GATHERING

Prelude

Song 69 (B)

“Here I Am to Worship”

Welcome and Announcements

Greeting

With tongues of flame, the Holy Spirit descends
to burn in our hearts anew.

Unite us, Holy Spirit!

Like the rush of wind, we sense God’s presence
blowing afresh throughout the world.

Unite us, Holy Spirit!

Across the barriers of language and culture,
Christ’s message of love and grace is heard.

Unite us, Holy Spirit!

Divine Advocate, we seek your guidance
as we search for the Spirit of Truth.

Unite us, Holy Spirit! Amen.



Prayer for Illumination

O God,
open our hearts and minds and souls
to hear your word as if for the first time.
Help us experience anew
the surprise and joy that your presence in the word
can bring us. Amen.

New Testament Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

Page 119 in the New Testament in the pew Bible
The Word of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

Opening Prayer

Holy One,
ignite within us a fiery passion
for your mission in the world today.
Warm us by the Spirit’s dancing tongues of flame,
that we may feel your kindling blaze within,
urging us to do your greater good.
Make us wholly present to experience a new birth,
and awaken possibilities within us
to share your love in the world.
In this love and abundance,
we come to celebrate your harvest—
a harvest bearing the first fruits of the Spirit within us.
Show us how to use these gifts,
as we listen for your truth
in the gentle breeze of your Spirit. Amen.

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

The children are invited to come forward and sit at the chancel with the
pastor as the congregation sings the first verse of “Jesus Loves Me” hymn
number 191.

All Sit.

Children’s Sermon

Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offering Prayer

Offertory “Lord Jesus Think on Me” WAGNER
Bell Choir

Please stand for the Doxology

Presentation

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

All Sit.

PROCLAMATION AND REPSONSE

PRAYERS

Lesson Luke 11:1-4; 22:41-42
Read by Mary Prause

Pages 72 and 87 in the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

What I Believe Zoe Dreyfus

All stand and sing the song.

Song 31 (B) “Wash Over Me”

All Sit.

PRESENCE

Lesson Matthew 18:20; Luke 2:46-52
Read by Peter Dolce

Pages 20 and 59 in the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

What I Believe Devin Gaudette

All stand and sing the hymn.

Hymn 328 (UMH) “Surely the Presence of the Lord” WOLFE

All Sit.

GIFTS

Lesson Luke 12:32-34
Read by Dave Kullgren

Page 75 in the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

What I Believe Matthew LaFlamme

All stand and sing the hymn.

Hymn 587 (UMH) “Bless Thou the Gifts” DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

All Sit.

SERVICE

Lesson Matthew 25:34-40
Read by Chris Prause

Page 29 in the New Testament in the pew Bible

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

What I Believe Shawn Martin

All stand and sing the hymn.

Hymn 593 (UMH) “Here I Am, Lord” WOLFE

All Sit.

WITNESS

Lesson Matthew 28:16-20

Page 34 in the New Testament in the pew Bible

Page 91 in the New Testament in the pew Bible Luke 24:44-48

Page 118 in the New Testament in the pew Bible Acts 1:6-8

Read by Nanci Hutson

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

What I Believe Iris Stumpf

All stand and sing the hymn.

Hymn 572 (UMH) “Pass It On” PASS IT ON

All Sit.

CONFIRMATION

Presentation of Candidates

Zoe Dreyfus
Devin Gaudette
Matthew LaFlamme
Shawn Martin
Iris Stumpf

Profession of Faith

The confirmands make their public profession of faith.

The congregation stands as we affirm our faith.

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.