



First Congregational

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Pentecost

The Spirit of God renews the earth. Bless the name of the Lord!

Psalm 104

May 19, 2024

Worship Leader

Barb Mardis

Mini Message

Brandyn Miller

Director of Music

Luke Overton

Organist

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

Office Manager

Michelle Wolfe

Custodian

Kyle Lindaman

*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here.*

Prelude	<i>“Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart” (Song Improvisation)</i>	Hudson Lourenço-Feld
Welcome and Announcements		Barb Mardis
*Call to Worship	Based on Psalm 98	Barb Mardis
Leader:	Sing a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!	
People: We will sing!		
Leader:	Break forth into joyous song and sing praises!	
People: With joyful hearts!		
Leader:	Sing praises to the Lord with the harp and the sound of melody!	
People: Making a joyful noise!		
Leader:	With trumpets and the sound of a horn; shout joyfully before the Lord, the King!	
People: Let the earth rejoice!		
*Opening Hymn	<i>Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise</i>	#1 (NCH - Black)
*Prayer of Invocation (unison)		Brandyn Miller
Leader:	We gather today, burdened by a feeling of emptiness. Our lives, once vibrant, seem like scattered bones in a desolate valley. We struggle to find purpose, and a hollowness echoes within us.	
People: (Silence for reflection)		
Leader:	Yet, even in this dryness, Your voice, O God, reaches us. You ask, "Can these bones live?"	
People: We cling to hope, Lord! Amen.		
Choral Anthem	<i>Dry and Dusty Bones</i>	Chancel Choir
Mini-Message		Brandyn Miller
Invitation to Offertory		Barb Mardis
Offertory	Hymn Improvisation	Hudson Lourenço-Feld
*Doxology		#778 (NCH - Black)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;		
Praise God, all creatures here below;		
Praise God for all that love has done;		
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.		

*Prayer of Dedication		Brandyn Miller
Scripture Reading	Ezekiel 37:1-14	Barb Mardis
Leader:	This is the word of the Lord	
All:	Thanks be to God!	
Message	<i>“Will these bones live?”</i>	Brandyn Miller
*Hymn of Response	<i>O Spirit of the Living God</i> (vs. 1-2)	#263 (NCH - Black)
Joys & Concerns		Barb Mardis
Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (unison)		Brandyn Miller
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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.		
*Parting Hymn	<i>Lord, Make Me More Holy</i> (v. 1)	#75 (NCH - Black)
Benediction		Brandyn Miller
Postlude	<i>Chaconne en sol mineur</i> - Louis Couperin	Hudson Lourenço-Feld

* Please Rise in Body or Spirit

Children are welcome to worship with their families. There are activity bags available at the back of the Sanctuary as there will be no Sunday School during the summer months.