



Emmanuel Presbyterian Church

E m p o w e r i n g P e o p l e i n C h r i s t

Emmanuel Presbyterian Church

Bedford, Texas

Sunday, May 31, 2020

10:00am

Mission Statement

Courageously proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ, we:

- worship and glorify God,
- grow in faith as disciples,
- seek justice and mercy,
- and nurture those in need while embracing all humanity.

Welcome to this service of worship. The Emmanuel congregation invites all ages to worship God together. Children's bulletins and activity bags are available from the ushers. A "Fidgety Friends" room is available upstairs behind the sanctuary if children become restless and parents would like a comfortable place to continue to participate in worship.

Celebration of Worship

Day of Pentecost

10:00am

May 31, 2020

We Gather in Worship

Greeting and Announcements

Rev. Chuck Schneider

Centering Words (*John 7:37-38*)

Estella Pryor

"Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'"

Prelude

Spirit of the Living God

(John Hopkins, Ken Richardson, Robin Michaels)

*Call to Worship

Linda Greenwell and Linda Villarreal

Breath of God, who awakened creation and stirred dry bones to life—
sweep through this space and enliven our worship.

Breath of God, who descended as tongues of flame and gave birth to the church—
sweep through this space and ignite our hearts.

Breath of God, who guides our ministry and equips us for service—
sweep through this space and empower our witness.

*Hymn

Do Lord

TRADITIONAL

*Opening Prayer

Linda Greenwell and Linda Villarreal

God our creator, earth has many languages, but your gospel proclaims your love to all nations in one heavenly tongue. Make us messengers of the good news that, through the power of your Spirit, all the world may unite in one song of praise; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

We Are Renewed in Grace

Invitation to Confession (Liturgist)

Mary Jane Horr

Prayer of Confession

Mary Jane Horr

Almighty God, you poured out your Spirit upon disciples, creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a

flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Worshippers are invited to offer silent prayers of confession)

Declaration of Forgiveness

Helen Richardson

The same Spirit who appeared as tongues of flame

alighted upon awe-struck disciples

anoints us in the waters of baptism,

and claims us as beloved children of God.

The same Spirit who filled the first followers,

giving them new words to speak of God's mighty deeds,

rests upon us now,

offering us renewed hope, renewed faith, renewed lives.

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

*Sung Response (GTG) No. 286

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

TRENTHAM

We Receive God's Word

Children's Gathering

Kristin Hartwell

First Reading

Acts 2:1-21 (page 992, red Bible)

Anni Wordell

Second Reading John 7:37-39 (page 974, red Bible)

Rev. Chuck Schneider

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Poured Out

Rev. Chuck Schneider

*Hymn (GTG) No. 66

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

PENTECOST

We Experience God's Grace

*Affirmation of Faith (*Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.20*)

Estella Pryor

God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation in human life. The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in which people are reconciled to God and to one another. The Spirit enables people to receive forgiveness as they forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of God as they make peace among themselves. In spite of their sin, the Spirit gives people power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and his gospel of reconciliation to all.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Chuck Schneider

Lord's Prayer

Helen Richardson

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering our Gifts to God

Invitation to the Offering Cheryl Dale

Offertory Just a Closer Walk with Thee CLOSER WALK

(Blaise Ferrandino and Ken Richardson, Soloists)

*Doxology We Are an Offering OFFERING

*Prayer of Dedication Cheryl Dale

Good and gracious God, to you we give our thanks; your steadfast love endures forever. With gratitude we bring our gifts to you. Bless us and our gifts, that our lives and our resources may be a source of healing and hope, of joy and justice in our world. Amen.

We Leave to Serve

*Hymn (GTG) No. 710 Down by the Riverside TRADITIONAL

*Benediction

*Sign of Peace

*Postlude When the Saints Go Marching In TRADITIONAL

(John Hopkins, Ken Richardson, Robin Michaels)

*please stand, if able

(GTG) – Glory to God Hymnal

Words in **bold print** are said in unison by the congregation.

Worship Leaders

Reverend Chuck Schneider, Temporary Pastor
Susan LaPointe, Director of Music

Musicians:

John Hopkins
Robin Michaels
Blaise Ferrandino
Ken Richardson

Liturgists:

Estella Pryor
Linda Greenwell
Linda Villarreal
Mary Jane Horr
Helen Richardson
Kristin Hartwell
Annie Wordell
Cheryl Dale

