

CLASSIC SERVICE

First Evangelical Church

June 4, 2017, 8:45 a.m.

The Comforter Has Come

Pentecost Sunday



SCRIPTURAL INVITATION

John 14:16-17; Acts 2:1-6

SONG OF THE SPIRIT

(choir)

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest, and in our hearts take up Thy rest;
Come with Thy grace and heavenly aid to fill our hearts which Thou hast made,
To fill our hearts which Thou hast made.

*“Be not afraid. Where you go, there I am with you.
Be not afraid. Where you go, there I am with you.”*

O Comforter, to Thee we cry, Thou heavenly gift of God most high;
Thou fount of grace and heavenly aid to fill our hearts which Thou hast made;
To fill our hearts which Thou hast made.

*“Be not afraid. Where you go, there I am with you.
Be not afraid. Where you go, there I am with you.”*

WELCOME AND PASTORAL PRAYER

Cole Huffman, Senior Pastor

INTERLUDE

W. A Mozart

THE CHRIST-EXALTING WORK OF THE SPIRIT

from *Heidelberg Catechism*, Question #53

(standing)

Leader: What do you believe concerning “the Holy Spirit”?

**People: First, that the Spirit, with the Father and the Son,
is eternal God.**

**Second, that the Spirit is given also to me,
so that, through true faith, He makes me share in Christ and all His benefits,
comforts me, and will remain with me forever.**

(all, hymn #290 v. 1)

**Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art,
And make me love Thee as I ought to love.**

**Holy Spirit, Truth Divine, dawn upon this soul of mine;
Voice of God, and inward Light, wake my spirit, clear my sight.
Holy Spirit, Love Divine, glow within this heart of mine;
Kindle every high desire, purify me with Your fire.**

**Holy Spirit, Power Divine, fill and nerve this will of mine;
Boldly may I always live, bravely serve, and gladly give.
Holy Spirit, Law Divine, reign within this heart of mine;
Be my law, and I shall be firmly bound, forever free.**

**Holy Spirit, Peace Divine, still this restless heart of mine;
Speak to calm this tossing sea, grant me Your tranquility.
Holy Spirit, Joy Divine, gladden now this heart of mine;
In the desert ways I sing, "Spring, O Living Water, spring!"**

WORDS OF PRAISE

Romans 8:1-4, 14-16

(all)

- Leader: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death.
- People: **For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God did: sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.**
- Leader: For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are the sons of God. For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a Spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!"
- People: **The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

(all)

**For Your gift of God the Spirit, power to make our lives anew,
Pledge of life and hope of glory, Savior, we would worship You.
Crowning gift of resurrection sent from Your ascended throne,
Fullness of the very Godhead, come to make Your life our own.**

(all)

**He, who in creation's dawning brooded on the lifeless deep,
Still across our nature's darkness moves to wake our souls from sleep,
Moves to stir, to draw, to quicken, thrusts us through with sense of sin;
Brings to birth and seals and fills us—saving Advocate within.**

**He, the mighty God, indwells us, His to strengthen, help, empower;
His to overcome the tempter, ours to call in danger's hour.
In His strength we dare to battle, all the raging hosts of sin,
And by Him alone we conquer, foes without and foes within.**

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Frank Cook, Deacon

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

**Father, grant Your Holy Spirit in our hearts may rule today,
Grieved not, quenched not, but unhindered, work in us His sovereign way.
Fill us with Your holy fullness, God the Father, Spirit, Son;
In us, through us, then, forever shall Your perfect will be done!**

(please be seated)

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

(choir)

Jesus died on Calvary's mountain long time ago.
And salvation's rolling fountain now freely flows.
Once His voice in tones of pity melted in woe,
And He wept o'er Judah's city long time ago.

On His head the dew of midnight fell, long ago,
Now a crown of dazzling sunlight sits on His brow.
Jesus died, yet lives forever, no more to die,
Bleeding Jesus, bleeding Savior, now reigns on high.

Children, let your lights be burning in hope of heaven,
Waiting for the Lord's returning at dawn or ev'n.
When He comes, a voice from heaven shall pierce the tomb,
"Come, ye blessed of My Father: children, come home.
Children, come home."

(all, standing)

**What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!**

(please be seated)

COMMUNION

(text for meditation)

*Beneath the cross of Jesus I find a place to stand,
And wonder at such mercy that calls me as I am.
For hands that should discard me hold wounds which tell me, "Come."
Beneath the cross of Jesus my unworthy soul is won.*

RESPONSE

(all, standing)

**To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,
To God and to the Lamb I will sing!
To God and to the Lamb, who is the great "I Am,"
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing!**

(please be seated)

SERMON

Cole Huffman, Senior Pastor

*He Made the Stars Also:
The Story of the Gospel in Seven Wonders*

**Sea Change
John 6:16-21**

BENEDICTION

ON THE PLATFORM THIS MORNING

In an effort to make our leaders better known to the congregation, these leaders are sitting on the platform this morning. Those marked with * will be available following the service to greet you and to give you spiritual assistance.

From left to right:

*Cole Huffman, Senior Pastor

*Taylor Park, Executive Pastor

Ron Man, Pastor of Worship/Missionary in Residence

*Frank Cook, Deacon

Worship Leaders: *The Worship Choir*, Anne Russell, organ; Jamie Scholik, piano; Shelly Sublett, oboe

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