

Sunday May 31 2020

Pentecost



## Series: Living the Resurrection

### The Dawning of the Age of the Spirit

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

-Acts 1:8

And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested[a] on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

-Acts 2:2-4

"Jesus ascended in order to fill all things with his presence and to bestow gifts of the Spirit upon men."

-T.F. Torrance

"And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us"

-Romans 5:5

When you hide your face, they are dismayed;  
when you take away their breath, they die  
and return to their dust.

When you send forth your Spirit,[a] they are created,  
and you renew the face of the ground.

-Psalm 104:29.30

Who gave him charge over the earth,  
and who laid on him[a] the whole world?

If he should set his heart to it

and gather to himself his spirit and his breath,  
all flesh would perish together,  
and man would return to dust.

-Job 34:13-15

## order of worship

### prelude

Leader: He has Risen !

**People: He Has Risen indeed !**

### call to worship | based on Psalm 104

Leader: I O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom have you made them all. The sea is deep and wide; we praise your name on high!

**People: All things are gathered in at the proper time and are ever sustained by the Lord. Your goodness fills our life; all creatures are satisfied!**

Leader: The Lord sends his Spirit to create new life and to renew the face of the earth. We rejoice in your wisdom, O God; your bounty is professed evermore!

**People: The earth bears witness to God on high and invites us to sing his praises. May our meditations please the Lord; may our joy be heard forever.**

### songs of praise

#### Good to Me

I put all my hope  
In the truth of Your promise  
And I steady my heart  
On the ground of Your goodness  
When I'm bowed down with sorrow  
I will lift up Your name  
And the foxes in the vineyard  
Will not steal my joy

Because You are good to me good to me  
You are good to me good to me  
You are good to me

And I lift my eyes  
To the hills where my help is found  
And Your voice fills the night  
Raise my head up to hear the sound  
And when fires burn all around me  
I will praise You my God  
And the foxes in the vineyard  
Will not steal my joy

Your goodness and mercy  
Shall follow me all my life  
I trust in Your promise  
Yeah Your goodness and mercy  
Will follow me all my life  
I trust in Your promise  
Yeah Your goodness and mercy  
Shall follow me oh all my life  
I will trust in Your promise

### Lord Most High

From the ends of the earth (ECHO)  
From the depths of the sea (ECHO)  
From the heights of the heavens (ECHO)  
Your name be praised  
From the hearts of the weak (ECHO)  
From the shouts of the strong (ECHO)  
From the lips of all people (ECHO)  
This song we raise Lord

Throughout the endless ages  
You will be crowned with praises  
Lord Most High  
Exalted in every nation  
Sovereign of all creation  
Lord Most High be magnified

### welcome & update

### prayer for the world, the church & the city

### confession

Spirit of the Living Lord, tell us of God's mercy and faithfulness; witness to us God's hope and justice. Where we have not followed Christ, direct our paths. Where we have not commanded your praise, rebuke our hearts. Come to us in this time of brokenness and defeat. Minister to us in this time of disorder and chaos. Forgive us, O God, and remind us of your enduring love. Breathe your Spirit upon our lives and make us holy and one. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

### private confession

#### assurance of pardon: Ezekiel 37:14

And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.

### song of assurance

#### Breathe

This is the air I breathe  
This is the air I breathe  
Your holy presence living in me  
This is my daily bread  
This is my daily bread  
Your very word spoken to me

And I I'm desperate for You  
And I I'm lost without You

### tithes and offerings

### doxology

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

scripture reading : Acts 1:1-9 & 2:1-6

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

God's Word Today | Mike Hsu

Sermon : The Dawning of the Age of the Spirit

song of thanksgiving

**Great are You Lord**

You give life You are love  
You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken  
And great are You Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise  
We pour out our praise  
It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise to You only

And all the earth will shout Your praise  
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing  
Great are You Lord

benediction 2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

peace

Minister: The Peace of the Lord be with you all

People: **And also with you**

Tithes up to May 31 2020

Yearly Budget	\$355,000
Budget Year to Date	\$147,916
Actual Giving Year to Date	\$108,944 (corrected)
Actual Giving Last Week	\$2,544

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*Upward*

'A worshipping people' - **Upward**

**Worship:** we come together corporately to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ

**The Word:** we submit ourselves to the Bible as our rule for faith and life

**Generosity:** having received from divine generosity, we overflow with generosity to the world



*Inward*

'transformed by the peace of God in Christ,' - **Inward**

**Sacramental Life:** our participation in the sacraments of bread and wine flow into our everyday lives

**The Holy Spirit:** living by the Spirit, we use His gifts to build the church and bless Vancouver

**Prayerful Presence:** we intercede for our homes, neighbourhoods and networks, for God to do His work



*Outward*

'seeking to be faithful stewards of the Kingdom.' - **Outward**

**Covenantal Commitments:** we covenant with one another to uphold, support and love one another.

**Priestly Work:** we see all of life as calling (as "vocatio")

**Proclamation:** we proclaim the Cross of Christ as the accomplishment of God's Kingdom for the world