

October 25, 2020

First United Methodist Church of Moorestown

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

10:00 A.M.

**AUTUMN OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE**

**PRELUDE**

In Joyful Praise

Lasky

**GATHERING MUSIC** O PRAISE HIM (*David Crowder*)

Turn your ear to heaven, and hear the noise inside, the sound of angel's awe,  
the sound of angel's songs, and all this for a King. We could join and sing all to Christ the King.  
How constant, how divine, this song of ours will rise.

O how constant, how divine, this love of ours will rise, will rise.

O praise Him, O praise Him; He is holy, He is holy, yeah. Alleluia, alleluia He is holy He is holy,  
yeah.

Turn your gaze to heaven, and raise a joyous noise. The sound of salvation come,  
the sound of rescued ones, and all this for a King. Angels join to sing all for Christ the King.  
How infinite and sweet this love so rescuing. O how constant, how divine,  
this love of ours will rise. As one we sing. O praise Him, O praise Him; He is holy, He is holy,  
yeah.

Alleluia, alleluia He is holy He is holy, yeah. (*2003 sixsteps music*)

WE ARE THE CHURCH (*by R. Avery, Don Marsh*) (©1972 Hope Publishing)

*Refrain: I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together!  
All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church together!*

The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple,  
the church is not a resting place, the church is a people. (Refrain)

We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces,  
all colors and all ages, too, from all times and places. (Refrain)

Sometimes the church is marching, sometimes it's bravely burning,  
sometimes it's riding, sometimes hiding, always it's learning. (Refrain)

And when the people gather, there's singing and there's praying,  
there's laughing and there's crying sometimes, all of it saying: (Refrain)

At Pentecost some people received the Holy Spirit  
and told the Good News through the world to all who would hear it. (Refrain)

**WELCOME**

Pastor Tom Korkuch

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Robin Webb, Worship Leader

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

**People: For God has done wondrous things for us.**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with the power of the rushing wind  
that we may faithfully serve you in all that we do.

**People: For Christ has called each of us and blessed us!**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Be with us today.

**People: Help us to boldly proclaim Christ Risen. Amen.**

### **OPENING PRAYER – (IN UNISON)**

God of grace, you sent the promised gift of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and the women, upon Mary the mother of Jesus and upon his brothers. Fill your church with power, kindle flaming hearts within us, and cause us to proclaim your mighty works in every tongue, that all may call on you and know your gift of resurrection life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

Pastor HeyYoung Horton

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

#### **MUSIC MINISTRY CONSUMING FIRE (by Tim Hughes)**

There must be more than this. O breath of God, come breathe within.

There must be more than this.

Spirit of God we wait for You. Fill us anew we pray, Fill us anew we pray

*Chorus 1: Consuming Fire, Fan into flame a passion for Your name. Spirit of God, would You fall in this place? Lord Have Your way Lord have Your way with us.*

Come like a rushing wind, clothe us with power from on high. Now set the captives free, leave us abandoned to Your praise. Lord let Your glory fall. Lord let Your glory fall.

*Chorus 2: Consuming Fire, Fan into flame a passion for Your name.*

*Spirit of God, would You fall in this place? Lord Have Your way, Lord Have Your way, Consuming Fire, Fan into flame a passion for Your name.*

*Spirit of God, would You fall in this place?*

*Lord Have Your way Lord have Your way with us.*

Come like a rushing wind, clothe us with power from on high. Now set the captives free, leave us abandoned to Your praise. Lord let Your glory fall. Lord let Your glory fall. (chorus 2)

#### **HOLY SPIRIT, TRUTH DIVINE (by Samuel Longfellow)**

Holy Spirit, Truth divine, dawn upon this soul of mine;

Word 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; perish self in thy pure fire.

Holy Spirit, Power divine, fill and nerve this will of mine;

grant that I may strongly live, bravely bear, and nobly strive.

Holy Spirit, Right divine, King within my conscience reign;

be my Lord, and I shall be firmly bound, forever free. (*Public Domain*)

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

Acts 2:1-13

**1** When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. **2**And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. **3**Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of

them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

**SERMON**

"A Shock to the System"

Pastor Tom Korkuch

### **SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION**

*Today we welcome into church membership through the ritual of Confirmation:*

Evan Huelbig, Joshua Moseley, Noah Pearce, Jeffrey Reyher, Lauren Reyher, Matthew Stewart, Jacob Tom, Logan Warner, Hope Young

*Pastor: Brothers and sisters in Christ, through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.*

*Through confirmation, and through the reaffirmation of our faith, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy church.*

*And so now I ask all of you who are joining the First Church family to respond to these historic questions of the Christian faith:*

*Pastor: Do you here in the presence of God and of this congregation, renew the solemn promise and vow that you made, or was made in your name, at your baptism?*

**Confirmands: I do.**

*Pastor: Do you promise to follow in the way of Jesus Christ and work for his kingdom here in this world to the best of your ability?*

**Confirmands: I do.**

*Pastor: Do you receive and profess the Christian faith as contained in the scriptures of the Old and New Testament?*

**Confirmands: I do.**

*Pastor: Do you promise according to the grace given you to be an active part of this faith community and uphold it by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness?*

**Confirmands: I do.**

*Pastor: Baptism is a moment in the Christian community when we recognize the grace of God that resides in each child of God. God offers us the possibility of transformation, a continuing process of renewal of body, mind, and spirit, which takes place within faith communities. Since confirmation is a part of that process, I invite you now to remember your baptism as I symbolically sprinkle water over you.*

*Pastor: Remember your baptism and be thankful.*

*Pastor: The Holy Spirit work within you, that having been born through water and the Spirit, you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ.*

**Congregation: Amen.**

**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. 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.

*Pastor: Members of the household of God, I commend these confirmands to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.*

**Congregation: We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we continue to 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 faithfully to 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.**

*Pastor: The God of all grace, who has called us to live in and through Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace.*

**Congregation: Amen.**

**CLOSING MUSIC** I WAS THERE TO HEAR YOUR BORNING CRY (*John Ylvisaker*)

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.

I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;

in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;

you were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.

If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,

I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,

I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.

When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,

I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old,

I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold. (©1985 John Ylvisaker)

**BENEDICTION**

**SENDING MUSIC** THIS IS AMAZING GRACE (*by Phil Wickham*)

*Verse 1:* Who breaks the power of sin and darkness, whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder, and leaves us breathless in awe and wonder

The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

*(Chorus): This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love, that You would take my place  
that You would bear my cross. You lay down Your life that I would be set free*

*Oh, Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.*

Verse 2: Who brings our chaos back into order, who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory, the King of Glory.

Who rules the nations with truth and justice, shines like the sun in all of its brilliance

The King of Glory, the King above all kings. (*Chorus*)

(*Bridge*) Worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Worthy is the King who conquered the grave.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, worthy is the King who conquered the grave.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, worthy is the King who conquered the grave.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain worthy, worthy, worthy, Oh (*Chorus*) (2000-2014

*AZLyrics.com*)

#### REVIVAL FIRE, FALL (by Paul Baloche)

Leader: As we lift up Your name, (echo) let Your fire fall; (echo)

Send Your wind and Your rain, (echo) on Your wings of love. (echo)

All: Pour out from heaven Your passion and presence, bring down Your burning desire.

Chorus: *Revival fire, fall, revival fire, fall; Fall on us here in the pow'r of Your Spirit, Father, let revival fall. Revival fire, fall, revival fire, fall: Let the flame consume us with hearts ablaze for Jesus, Father, let revival fire fall.*

Leader: As we lift up Your name, (echo) let Your kingdom come; (echo)

Have Your way in this place (echo) let Your will be done. (echo)

All: Pour out from heaven Your passion and presence, bring down Your burning desire.

Chorus: (1996 *Integrity's Hosanna! Music*)

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Anne Grogan (daughter of Dee Dee Langshaw), Audrey Cutone (mother of Jay Taylor), Barbara Engelbrecht, Sue Geissler (friend of Melissa O'Donnell), Doug Nemeth (son of Dot & Zollie Nemeth), John Chwastyk (husband of Kim), Mary Raroha, Gloria-Jean Opperman, John & Catharine Carty), Pati Anne Feeley (daughter-in-law of Jan & Jack Feeley), Kaylee Olivia Wilson (daughter of Linda Wanagas' niece), Barbara Dapper, Nancy Gager (Paul Gager's sister), Peg Fagan (mother of Therese Shire, Pre-School Teacher), Emmy Cahilly (11 yr. old niece of Shelly & Greg Kinkaid), Madison Luyber and her parents, Julie and Tony (friends of the Bewleys), Louise McMeans.