

Contemporary Order of Worship  
 May 28, 2023  
 Pentecost  
 Message: Holy Spirit

Gathering *This I Believe*  
*Set a Fire*

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Moment

*Pastor:* Come, Holy Spirit, wind of God, the breath of Life.  
 Come, Holy Spirit, Our Advocate, our Counselor.  
 Come, Holy Spirit, Teacher of Wisdom, Reminder of Christ.  
 May we feel God breathing through our worship.  
 May we receive the Holy Spirit in this place.

\*Centering Song Holy Spirit

\*Prayer Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Pastor: Let us pray

**People: Holy One,**  
**ignite within us a fiery passion**  
**for Your mission in the world today.**  
**Warm us by the Spirit's dancing tongues of flame,**  
**that we may feel Your kindling blaze within,**  
**urging us to do Your greater good.**  
**Make us wholly present to experience a new birth,**  
**and awaken possibilities within us**  
**to share Your love in the world.**  
**Show us how to use our gifts,**  
**as we listen for Your truth**  
**in the gentle breeze of Your Spirit. AMEN.**

Children's Moment

Linda Biscardo

Prayers of People

Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

The Lord's Prayer

**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 trespasses  
As we forgive those who trespass against us.  
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 Song

*Hungry*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

New Testament Reading

Acts 2:1-13

Pat Hobbs

Message

*Holy Spirit*

Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

*\*An Affirmation of the Holy Spirit*

**We believe in God the Spirit,  
who from the beginning has swept over the face of creation,  
animating all energy and matter  
and moving in the human heart.**

**We believe in God the Spirit,  
faithful and untamable,  
who is creatively and redemptively active in the world.**

**The Spirit challenges us to celebrate the holy  
not only in what is familiar,  
but also in that which seems foreign.**

**We believe in God the Spirit,  
who speaks our prayers of deepest longing**

**and enfolds our concerns and confessions,  
transforming us and the world.**

**We offer worship  
as an outpouring of gratitude and awe  
and a practice of opening ourselves  
to God's still, small voice of comfort,  
to God's rushing whirlwind of challenge.  
Through word, music, art, and sacrament,  
in community and in solitude,  
God changes our lives, our relationships, and our world  
through the power of the Holy Spirit. AMEN.**

\*Closing Song                      *Burning in My Soul*

\*Benediction    Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Postlude                      *Burning in my Soul(Reprise)*