

UNIVERSITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 31, 2020 | 10:30 a.m.

Pastor - Reverend Michelle Mejia



**Order of Worship - Streaming Service**

**WE GATHER FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE**

**Gathering Music**

*Come Holy Spirit, Our Souls Inspire*  
Abbie Millier - Flute

UMH #651

**Welcome Message**

**Greetings**

**Call to Worship<sup>1</sup>**

Leader: Listen, can you hear the wind?

**All: Come, Holy Spirit; come!**

Leader: Look, can you see the dancing flames?

**All: Come, Holy Spirit; come!**

Leader: Can you hear the message  
in a language you can understand?

**All: Come, Holy Spirit; come!**

Leader: Do you see the visions?  
Can you dream the dreams?

**All: Come, Holy Spirit; come!**

Leader: Come let Pentecost become real in our lives this morning.  
Come and worship our God who sends the Spirit  
to touch us and transform us into Pentecost people.

**Hymn of Praise**

*There's a Spirit in the Air*

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Verse 1: There's a spirit in the air,  
telling Christians everywhere:  
"Praise the love that Christ revealed,  
living, working in our world."

Verse 4:

Still his Spirit leads the fight,  
seeing wrong and setting right:  
God in Christ has come to stay,  
Live tomorrow's life today!

Verse 6:

May the Spirit fill our praise,  
guide our thoughts and change our ways:  
God in Christ has come to stay,  
Live tomorrow's life today!

### Opening Prayer<sup>1</sup>

Spirit of God,  
we long to be open to your presence  
in our church and in our lives.  
Fill us with your wind and fire,  
that we might be enlivened again.  
Help us hear the words  
as if for the first time,  
that they might touch us anew.  
Give us visions and dreams  
of what you long for in your creation,  
that we might begin to live them into reality.  
Come, Spirit;  
come into our worship,  
into our church,  
into our very selves. Amen.



## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### Prayer of Illumination

**God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul.  
Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding  
that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.**

### Scripture

Acts 2: 1-21

NRSV

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>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."

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup>'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

**Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God. All: Thanks be to God.**





**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.

**Sermon**

Pastor Michelle Mejia

**Prayers**

*Spirit of the Living God*  
Alice LaRusso - Guitar

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**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**Giving of our Gifts**

\*If you haven't already done so, we hope you'll share your gifts.

**Music Ministry**

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*  
Millicent Scarlett - soprano

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## Hymn of Service

*O Spirit of the Living God*

UMH #539

## Verse 1

O Spirit of the living God, thou Light and Fire Divine  
Descend upon Thy Church once more and make it truly Thine  
Fill it with love and joy and power, with righteousness and peace  
Till Christ shall dwell in human hearts, and sin and sorrow cease

## Verse 3

Teach us to utter living words of truth which all may hear,  
the language all may understand when love speaks loud and clear;  
till every age and race and clime shall blend their creeds in one,  
and earth shall form one family by whom thy will is done.



## Passing of the Peace

## Blessing

## Postlude

*Shalom to You*  
Beverly Babcock –Organ

UMH #666

*\*To share your offering, you may use this link: <https://www.uumcp.org/electronic-giving>*

*Another option is to mail your offering to the church office:*

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Prayers written By Joanne Carlson Brown <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/1112/worship-elements-may-31-2020> Flower pictures by Frances Notley. UUMC pictures by Alice LaRusso.

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***In the book of Acts, we read that at Pentecost people spoke  
in many languages. Today's worship service reflects that, as  
The Lord's Prayer is recited in several languages:***

***Yi-En Tzeng - Taiwanese***

***Dewey Schwejbal – Czech***

***Rachel LaRusso – French***

***Daniel Mejia – Spanish***

***Ruchi Singh – Hindi***

***Donna Southwood-Smith – English***

***Chao-His Chang – Taiwanese***

***Julianne van Meerten - Dutch***

***Julie Ponting – German***



## ***UUMC PENTECOST (from 2015)***









# *Flat Jesus*

Candy Fosta shares these pictures of where she sees hope: masks and in all health care workers.

Note from the church office:

When Candy was asked how many masks she's made she replied, "Probably 150 or so, mainly for friends and family, and I sent some to the hospital Nick works at and also to the hospital Katelyn's mother-in-law works at."







### **Announcements – May 31, 2020**

**HOMEMADE MASKS NEEDED** If you are willing and able to make masks for essential workers, *Route One Mask Match* needs your skills! They will provide materials and will pick up the masks (in a safe manner) from your home. Please contact the church office for more information.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** Join our Sunday School class (via Zoom) for a discussion of scriptures, sharing of insights, and time of fellowship. Details will arrive this week, via a googlegroup announcement.

**MUSIC RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS NEEDED** Are you a healthy individual with an interest in music?

The University of Maryland Language and Music Cognition Laboratory is recruiting healthy adults of different ages to participate in a study about hearing melodies inside your head and making judgments about them.

Participants will be asked to....

- Rank their familiarity with various well-known songs
- Perform a few exercises involving imagining a melody
- Provide some background information and perform a few other short tasks

Are you eligible?

- Between 60-85 years old
- Brought up in North America
- Age normal or corrected hearing (hearing aids are ok)
- Good physical and mental health
- General knowledge of common songs
- No need to be a musician!

The study will take less than one hour and can be conducted at a mutually convenient time. All you need is access to a quiet space, computer, and telephone! If you are interested in participating, please email [umdmusicresearch@gmail.com](mailto:umdmusicresearch@gmail.com)

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** – Each day at noon, Bishop Easterling prays the Lord's Prayer. She invites you to do the same.

**WEDNESDAY PRAYERS** Join Pastor Michelle and members of your church family in a time of sharing prayers on Wednesdays at noon, via a conference call. The phone number will be emailed to you prior to the meeting time. If you attempted to join us last week, but had difficulties, please contact the church office. [office@uumcp.org](mailto:office@uumcp.org)

**HELP OFFER** If you need help with anything – prayers, getting food or medicine, rides to a doctor, or... Please let the church office know. We will do our best to help you!

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