

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

11:00 A.M. May 15, 2016

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Let us prepare for worship by praying,
meditating and listening to the organ prelude.

The Ringing of the Church Bell

The Prelude

The Welcome and Concerns of the Church

The Choral Introit

THE GATHERING

*The Call to Worship (from Acts 2)

Leader: "When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all
together in one place.

**People: And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the
rush of a violent wind,**

Leader: and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

**People: Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and
a tongue rested on each of them.**

Leader: All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit,

**People: and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave
them ability."**

Leader: Let us remember God's power this morning for we recall
this story.

People: Let us praise God for the Spirit's power among us.

Leader: Let us worship God.

*The Hymn No. 1

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

*The Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, we honor You with our presence this day. We declare that we have failed and
fallen short of Your glory. We retreat to what is comfortable rather than daring to go where
You call us. We seek revenge rather than forgiving others. We are quick to point out the
wrong and act slowly to give thanks for the good.**

**Forgive us, O God, for both the sins we have committed and for the love we have refrained
from doing. Have mercy upon us., O Merciful Lord. Show us Your holy way which you intend
us to pursue, the way of faith and love, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ. And Christ died for us, Christ was raised from the dead for us. Christ sits at the right hand of God the Father; indeed, He intercedes for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God for this wonderful news. We pledge to live into God's claim upon us, obeying His word and showing His love.

THE WORD

The Children's Time

The Choral Anthem

The Prayer of Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 145:8-13

The New Testament Lesson

John 11:15-17

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon

"The Holy Ghost: Our Advocate"

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Choral Response

*The Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

*The Gloria Patri

The Bringing of the Tithes, Offerings and Gifts

The Offertory

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*The Hymn No. 235

"Breathe on Me Breath of God"

*The Charge and Benediction

Congregation Response

Lift High the Cross

Come, Christians follow where the Savior trod. The Lamb victorious,

*Christ the Son of God. Lift High the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.*