

Welcome to *First-St Andrew's* **UNITED CHURCH**

Where liberal theology meets the best of tradition



May 20, 2018

Pentecost

Bloom Where You Are Planted with President Joyce Payne

10:30 am



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Welcome



Together we all make up the family of First-St. Andrew's. If you are new to the family, please know that you are always welcome here. It would be our blessing to meet you after worship for Coffee and Conversation, and to share with you some of the many exciting things that are happening here at FSA. Rev. Michelle Down wants to hear from you! Please contact her at revmichelledown@fsaunited.com or on her cell at 519-709-9554 anytime.

Bold type indicates congregational response. * indicates to stand, if able.

Music to Enter into God's Presence:

Choral Preludes for Pentecost

Prelude from Tryptych on VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS

Armsdorf and Zachau

Russell Schulz-Widmar

Welcome & Announcements:

Acknowledging the Traditional Territory:

Lighting the Christ Candle:

Rebecca & Elizabeth Skelly

Music: Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

arr. John Carter

Call to Worship:

Jordan Baldwin

One: Loving God, we feel blessed to be able to be called the Children of God.

ALL: Inspire us during this time of worship to receive your Grace and your Love, so that as your children we might also become your Disciples.

One: Jesus, the Risen Christ; you are the vessel of pure and Holy love.

ALL: Motivate us, to be vessels of kindness, compassion, and gratitude. Allow us to become the kind of containers that You can use to share your Gospel message.

One: Holy Spirit, you share the Good News through the angels and archangels.

ALL: Permit us the courage to plant the seeds of Your Grace here today, so that we might bloom where we are planted.

One: Your Spirit, God, works in our weakness until we are aflame with your love and power.

ALL: Fill the hearts of your faithful with living fire, that we may set the world ablaze;

One: through Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the Spirit be honour and praise, now and forever. Will you pray with me?

Sylvia Dunstan 1988

Opening Prayer & Lord's Prayer:

Jordan Baldwin

Stewardship Seconds:

Praise the Lord! From God's fullness we have all received grace upon grace.

***Hymn:** VU #195 On Pentecost They Gathered
(Children gather at the front)

MUNICH

Forming Young Faith: What is Pentecost?



(Children return to their seats)

Anthem: Come Down, O Love Divine

arr. Todd Wilson

Scripture: Acts 2:1-21
2 Timothy 2:20-21

Mike Bancroft

Sermon: Bloom Where You are Planted

President Joyce Payne

***Hymn:** VU#703 In the Bulb There is a Flower

PROMISE

Offering

Offertory Music: Come, O Creator Spirit, Come

T. Tertius Noble

Offertory Response: VU#205 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

BRIDEGROOM

To the members of Christ's body, to the branches of the Vine,
to the church in faith assembled, to our midst as gift and sign:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

With the healing of division, with the ceaseless voice of prayer,
with the power to love and witness, with the peace beyond compare:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn:** VU#207 Spirit of God, Unleashed on Earth

TRURO

***Blessing and Benediction:**

***Benediction Response:** VU #194 Filled with the Spirit's Power vs. 2 NATIONAL HYMN

Now with the mind of Christ set us on fire,
that unity may be our great desire.
Give joy and peace; give faith to hear your call,
and readiness in each to work for all.

Music to Commission Us Into Service and Witness:

Come Holy Spirit BUXWV199

D. Buxtehude



The Leadership in Today's Service Includes:

Welcoming Ushers: Don Jones, Dorothy Jones, Kerry Hill, and Ardath Finnbogson-Hill
Narthex Co-ordinator: Jane Westmorland
Coffee & Conversation: Katherine Wonfor, David Manness, Ivana Klouda, Doug Jones
Service Support Staff: Ron Bradley
We thank God for all those who share their gifts and talents.

First-St. Andrew's United Church Staff

Rev. Michelle Down Minister of Worship and Congregational Life	Kendra Shouldice Nursery Care
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