

GO IN GOD'S NAME

HYMN #318

"Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God"
(verses 1 & 2, Hymns of Grace)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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To Our Visitors

We welcome you to worship today. If you are visiting with us please feel free to speak to the pastor or one of our greeters if you have questions or want more information about Bethpage.

Bethpage is a church committed to children and families and their needs. We have a nursery for infants through three-year-olds and Kids of the Kingdom for four-year-olds – Kindergarten. There are activity sheets and children's Bibles for older children. Feel free to keep your child with you in worship through the Time With Children if that works for your family. Our new nursery caregiver is Stephanie Pritchard. Stephanie will text you if your child needs you during worship.



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**Welcome to
Bethpage
Presbyterian Church!**

*"A family of faith in Jesus
Christ, yesterday, today,
and tomorrow."*

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10:00 AM



GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

OPENING ANTHEM *"Spirit of God"*

CALL TO WORSHIP

We have come to celebrate the birthday of the church.

We have come to celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit.

We have come to celebrate Pentecost and to open ourselves to God's Spirit that it might fill us.

O God, help us to put our selfish desires aside and direct our thoughts to you.

May your mighty power fill this church and our lives fully, just as it has filled churches and people throughout the ages.

Teach us to be your church and your people. Amen.

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"Spirit"
(The Presbyterian Hymnal)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, you have spoken to men and women of old through dreams and visions, yet we confess that we seek to rely on reason and tradition alone. Fill us with vision, lead us into the future, and enable us to grow toward a deeper understanding of your nature, through the power of your Holy Spirit. *(Please take a moment for silent confession.)*

RESPONSE HYMN #322 *"Spirit of the Living God"*
 (The Presbyterian Hymnal)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news, people of God, We are forgiven.

We are endowed with his Holy Spirit, restored to the joy of God's salvation.

We are given a willing spirit to do all that God asks and desires of us.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE *"Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me"*

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM *"For Everyone Born"*

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 2 (The Message)

RESPONSE HYMN #316 *"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"*
 (verse 1 only, The Presbyterian Hymnal)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 8:14-17, 26-27 (Pew Bible, p. 158)

SERMON *"Pentecost Meditation"* Valerie Hicks

THE PEOPLE RESPOND

GIVING GOD OUR OFFERING AND OUR PENTECOST OFFERING

Offertory *"Breathe"*

Doxology (*sung*)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN *"Come to the Table of Grace"*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of Power, We thank you for welcoming us to your table, where we shared this holy meal. May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire on the Day of Pentecost, make us alive with the love of the risen Christ. May the boldness of your Spirit transform us and the gentleness of your Spirit lead us as we go out into the world refreshed and renewed. Amen.