

# First CRC Worship at Home

May 31, 2020 – Pentecost

**Prelude:** *Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit* -arr. William Dawson

**Call to Worship:** Jack and Mary K. —based on Psalm 105:1-2; Romans 5:5; Revelation 4:8

The love of God has been poured into our hearts  
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

**we dwell in him and he in us.**

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

**make known his deeds among the peoples.**

Sing to him, sing praises to him,

**and speak of all his marvelous works.**

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,

**who was and is and is to come!**

**Welcome and God's Greeting**

**Song of Praise:** Be Thou My Vision

**Call to Confession: Our World Belongs to God, Paragraph 28 – Alicia N.**

At Pentecost, promises old and new are fulfilled. The ascended Jesus becomes the baptizer, drenching his followers with his Spirit, creating a new community where Father, Son, and Holy Spirit make their home. Revived and filled with the breath of God, women and men, young and old, dream dreams and see visions.

**Prayer of Confession:**

Holy Spirit,

You are the life and love of God, given to ignite new birth in us.

You make us new people; you draw us into life-giving community; you give us dreams and visions.

But we have not lived like new people; we have not loved our neighbors;

we have not dreamed your dreams and entertained your visions.

**Forgive us, we pray.**

**Fill us with unending life.**

**Fuel in us the fire of your love.**

**Force us out of despair with a vision of your better future.**

In the name of Jesus, giver of new life,

**Amen.**

**Assurance/Profession of Faith: Our World Belongs to God, Paragraph 29 – Sheri S.**

The Spirit renews our hearts and moves us to faith, leads us into truth, and helps us to pray, stands by us in our need, and makes our obedience fresh and vibrant. God the Spirit lavishes gifts on the church in astonishing variety—prophecy, encouragement, healing, teaching, service, tongues, discernment—equipping each member to build up the body of Christ and to serve our neighbors.

**Song of Preparation:** Come, Holy Ghost

**Scripture Reading:** Acts 2:1-12

**Sermon:** *From Above*

## **Prayer of God's People**

### **Sending: Our World Belongs to God, Paragraph 30 - Emily P, Gwen C**

The Spirit gathers people from every tongue, tribe, and nation into the unity of the body of Christ. Anointed and sent by the Spirit, the church is thrust into the world, ambassadors of God's peace, announcing forgiveness and reconciliation, proclaiming the good news of grace.

Going before them and with them, the Spirit convinces the world of sin and pleads the cause of Christ. Men and women, impelled by the Spirit, go next door and far away into science and art, media and marketplace— every area of life, pointing to the reign of God with what they do and say.

**Song:** One Church, One Faith

### **God's Blessing**

**Doxology:** Charlotte V, Melody V, Helen M

**Postlude:** *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* -Voices of Heaven Gospel Choir