



*Come Holy Spirit, Lance Brown*

## Day of Pentecost

*May 31, 2020  
Zoom Worship*

### WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE

*Come Down, O Love Divine*

R. Vaughan Williams  
arr. Don McAfee

GATHERING SONG

*Spirit of the Living God*

Daniel Iverson

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*

MOMENT OF SILENCE

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Craig Seiler

One: Come, Holy Spirit, and rouse the people of God.  
**Many: All the earth is groaning for restoration.**  
 One: Though the whirlwind of life tosses and turns us, we remember:  
**Many: out of chaos, the Spirit births new worlds.**  
 One: Come, Holy Spirit, and revive what has grown stale.  
**Many: Let the troubled be comforted.**  
 One: Let the apathetic be agitated.  
**Many: Wash away all that suppresses, silences, and condemns.**  
 One: Come, Spirit, come. We welcome your renewal among us.

from *Liturgy that Matters*  
 enfleshed.com

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Peace be with you.  
**All: And also with you.**  
 One: Let us greet one another with waves and smiles  
 and pass the peace of Christ using the chat feature.

## CENTERING SONG

*Spirit of the Living God*

Daniel Iverson

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

[Acts 2:1-21](#)

Lawrence Family

## TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kim Michaud

## SERMON

*What's that Sound?*

Rev. Todd Atkins-Whitley

## ANTHEM

*For What It's Worth*  
 Billy Porter, vocals

Stephen Stills

There's something happening here  
 What it is ain't exactly clear  
 There's a man with a gun over there  
 Telling me I got to beware

I think it's time we stop, children,  
 what's that sound  
 Everybody look what's going down

There's battle lines being drawn  
 Nobody's right if everybody's wrong  
 Young people speaking their minds  
 Getting so much resistance from behind

We gotta stop, children, what's that sound  
 Everybody look what's going down

What a field-day for the heat  
 A thousand people in the street  
 Singing songs and carrying signs  
 Mostly say, hooray for our side

It's time we stop, children,  
 what's that sound  
 Everybody look what's going down

Paranoia strikes deep  
 Into your life it will creep  
 It starts when you're always afraid  
 (don't be afraid y'all)  
 You step out of line,  
 the man come and take you away

We better stop, children,  
 what's that sound  
 Everybody look what's going down  
 Stop, hey, look around  
 Everybody knows what's going down  
 Stop, hey, look around  
 Everybody knows what's going down  
 We need a change  
 Change for good

TIME OF PRAYER

Pastor Eric

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

*(Email your requests to Pastor Eric or type them in the chat window.)*

**All: Hear our prayer**

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (using these words or the words most familiar to you)

**Our Loving God, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name.**

**Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

TIME OF GIVING

Mary Kay McClure

Invitation to Giving

*During this time of virtual worship, we invite you to give online: <http://bit.ly/donatetodcc>.*

Offertory

*A Pentecost Prayer*

Carson Cooman

Gabrielle Goozée-Nichols, soprano

*O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit.*

*Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things,  
and evermore to rejoice, in his holy comfort,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord: Amen.*

Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host;**

**Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Offertory Prayer

CLOSING HYMN

*Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

James K. Manley

*Refrain*

Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free,  
Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness—wind, wind on the sea.

<sup>1</sup>You moved on the waters,  
you called to the deep,  
then you coaxed up the mountains  
from the valleys of sleep;  
And over the eons you called to each thing,  
“Awake from your slumbers  
and rise on your wings.”

[Refrain]

<sup>2</sup>You swept through the dessert,  
you stung with the sand,  
And you goaded your people  
with a law and a land;  
When they were confounded  
by their idols and lies,  
then you spoke through  
your prophets to open their eyes.

[Refrain]

<sup>3</sup>You sang in a stable,  
you cried from a hill,  
then you whispered in silence  
when the whole world was still;  
And down in the city you called once again,  
when you blew through your people  
on the rush of the wind.

[Refrain]

<sup>4</sup>You call from tomorrow,  
you break ancient schemes,  
from the bondage of sorrow  
the captives dream dreams;  
Our women see visions,  
our men clear their eyes.  
With bold new decisions  
your people arise.

[Refrain]

BENEDICTION

Pastor Todd

POSTLUDE

## Announcements

If you would like to submit a prayer concern or joy for next Sunday's Zoom Worship, please email it to Pastor Eric at [eric@danvillechurch.org](mailto:eric@danvillechurch.org).

To keep up-to-date on news and announcements during this time of social distancing, **please read your email** from DCC thoroughly! All communication related to church news and events will be communicated via email!

### Stewardship Update

As of May 28, we have received **76 commitments**, **67 returning**, and **9 new**, for a total of **\$275,026**. Our commitment goal for 2020-21 is **\$295,338**.

**The average commitment increase thus far is 10.59%!**

We are very close to making our goal and encourage everyone to contribute if possible. If you'd like to help us make our goal, please email your commitment to Syd and Leslie Dent, DCC's Financial Secretaries: [syddent@yahoo.com](mailto:syddent@yahoo.com).



### Annual Congregational Meeting

Please plan to attend the DCC Annual Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, June 14**. The meeting will be held via Zoom immediately following the church service. The congregation will vote on the 2020–21 budget. We look forward to your participation.

### Joint Prayer Ministry Appeal Deadline Extended

Much has been happening at DCC with the Stewardship Campaign and so many other positive aspects of our ministry together that we have decided to extend the deadline for receiving prayer requests for the "COVID19 edition of the Joint Prayer Ministry booklet to **Friday, June 12**. In the mean time, we hope you are considering the very serious prayers sent to us from Guatemala by Carrie Stengel. Kindly send your own prayer requests for the upcoming Joint Prayer Ministry booklet to Bob Howell, at [roberthowell33@hotmail.com](mailto:roberthowell33@hotmail.com); Subject: Joint Prayer Ministry request. Bob can also be reached by phone at 925-953-3288. Thank you.

### The John Bassett Memorial Fund



A memorial fund has been established in remembrance of John Bassett and all his contributions to Danville Congregational Church, especially in Building and Grounds. His accomplishments with an array of projects were legion; his willingness to be of help was remarkable, and his talents were many. Funds donated will be used toward future B & G projects, and John's wife, Carol, will provide input as to what projects will be supported by the monies.

If you would like to contribute, please make your check payable to Danville Congregational Church, with the notation "John Bassett Memorial Fund (4601)" and mail to the church office, or you can donate online with the same notation on the *Memorial Gift* line (under the first section, "Donations to the Church").





Our nation is amazingly diverse, representing different cultures and ethnic backgrounds. Yet most of us live in communities marked by sameness, among people who think, act, and look like us. The vision of Pentecost is to experience unity among a diverse crowd. Yet how do we realize this vision?

Through the funds provided by the Strengthen the Church Offering, The Penn West Conference provides a wonderful example. To support youth programming, this year, the Conference awarded grants to First Church in Irwin and First Church in Greensburg to send young people to the National Youth Event (NYE). Conference Minister David Ackerman explains why it matters, saying, “At National Youth Event, our youth get a sense of the width and breadth of the UCC. Most of our youth come from smaller rural churches. At NYE, they meet other youth from different backgrounds and come away with a sense of being united.”

Every UCC conference uses your generous gifts to Strengthen the Church. The grants provided by the Penn West Conference will help young people, at a national gathering, experience God’s dream of a truly united and uniting Church, amid differences in cultures and backgrounds. Every Conference faithfully uses your gift to invest in God’s vision for the Church. Please give generously to the Strengthen the Church Offering on May 31st. Together, we can invest in God’s vision of Church.

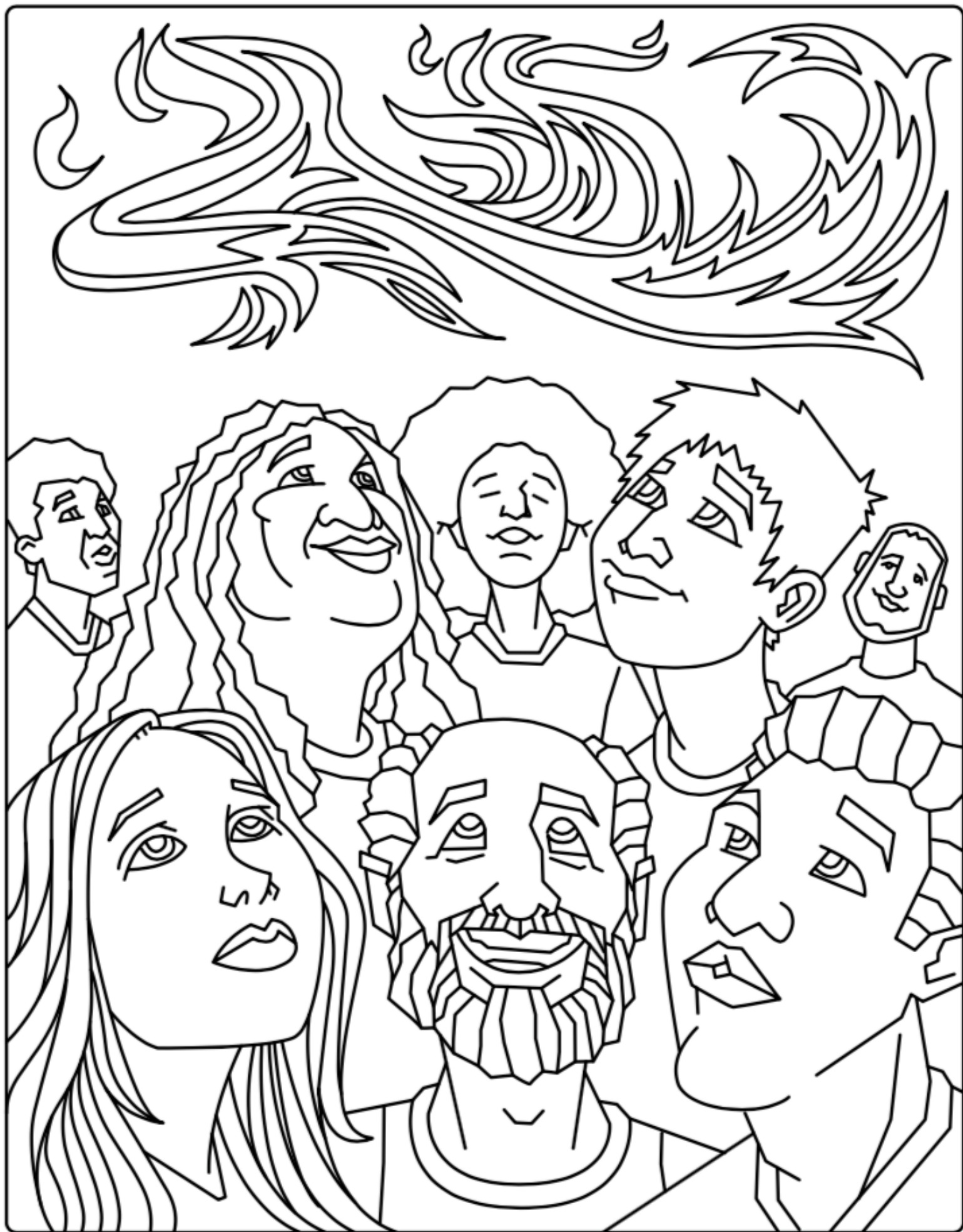
***How is a minister formed and prepared for ministry at every stage of their vocation?***

Ministers are formed like Jeff, who discerned a call to ministry while participating in a UCC-related summer camp. And they are formed like Darrell, who found a home in the UCC as the congregation he founded voted to affiliate with the denomination. And, like Kaji and Jennifer, they are formed in part through a heritage of generational church leadership in the pulpit and beyond. Through it all, the Pentecost Spirit blows where She will, inspiring and calling forth new generations of leaders. Nurtured and challenged in congregations, supported by committees on ministry, and further shaped through educational experiences, these leaders become authorized for ministry in and on behalf of the UCC.

***Do you ever wonder how the UCC prepares individuals for ministry and continuing authorization within the UCC?***

The Ministerial Excellence, Support, and Authorization (MESA) Ministry Team thinks about ministerial formation and continuing authorization every day. Committed to the vision that every ministry setting deserves gifted and accountable pastoral leadership, MESA shares the Church’s best practices for ministerial formation, authorization, and ongoing oversight through training, resources, and cooperation with Associations and Conferences. MESA’s most recent Manual on Ministry, published a year ago, provides practices and resources to support the UCC in their work to provide discernment, authorization, and oversight of ministers in the UCC.

Please give generously to the Strengthen the Church Offering on May 31, 2020. You will support MESA and help people like Jennifer, Darrell, Kaji, and Jeff respond to the Spirit of God, leading them to new missions and ministries.



## Upcoming Virtual Gatherings

*To lessen the impact of isolation during this season of social distancing, you are invited to join these opportunities for community and spiritual practice.*

- **Mid-Day Zoom Devotional**, *Wednesdays at Noon*  
<https://zoom.us/j/547683580?pwd=V2FjVkxvNW9BSkNWOW4vcEttZGo5UT09>  
or by Zoom app: **547 683 580**, password **322** or by phone: dial **669-900-6833**  
and enter **547 683 580** as the Meeting ID and **322** as the password.
- **Zoom Family Devotional**, *Wednesdays at 7:00pm*  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/800897222>
- **Worship at DCC**, *Sundays at 9:30am*  
<https://zoom.us/j/492975948?pwd=bJlqZTNpNGo3S1o0YkNFM3FWQ1dlQT09>  
or by Zoom app: **492 975 948**, password **322** or by phone: dial **669-900-6833**  
and enter **492 975 948** as the Meeting ID and **322** as the password.

### ***Ministers—The Entire Congregation***

#### ***Church Staff***

**The Rev. Eric Sherlock**, *Senior Pastor*  
**The Rev. Todd Atkins-Whitley**, *Associate Pastor*  
**John Kendall Bailey**, *Music Director*  
**Mary-Marie Deauclaire**, *Handbell Director*  
**Elizabeth Setlak-von Thury**, *Office Manager*  
**Nicole Doyle**, *Nursery Attendant*

The **DCC Prayer Team** prays daily for those in need of prayers.  
If you would like to submit a prayer request for yourself or someone else,  
contact a pastor or send an email to [prayers@danvillechurch.org](mailto:prayers@danvillechurch.org).  
All requests are kept confidential unless specified otherwise.

**Kelley Mangels**, *Dayspring Preschool Director*  
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