

Whoever believes in **ME**, as  
Scripture has said, rivers of  
**Living Water**  
will flow from within them."

John 7:38

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**Pentecost**

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# Welcome and Greeting

*(Please Stand)*

## Call to Worship

P O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

C **You have set your glory above the heavens.**

P This is the day the Lord has made!

C **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

P We gather in the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

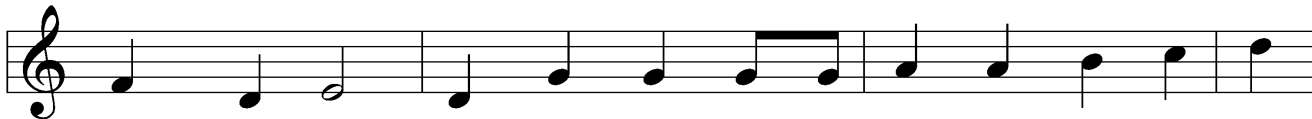
C **Amen!**

## 503 O Day Full of Grace

*sts. 1-4*



1 O day full of grace that now we see Ap - pear - ing on  
2 O day full of grace, O bless - ed time, Our Lord on the  
3 For Christ bore our sins, and not His own, When He on the  
4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, His Spir - it new



earth's ho - ri - zon, Bring light from our God that we may be  
earth ar - riv - ing; Then came to the world that light sub - lime,  
cross was hang - ing; And then He a - rose and moved the stone  
life re - veal - ing, That we might no more from Him be lost,



Re - plete in His joy this sea - son. God, shine for us  
Great joy for us all re - triev - ing; For Je - sus all  
That we, un - to Him be - long - ing, Might join with an -  
All dark - ness for us dis - pel - ling. His flame will the



now in this dark place; Your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.  
mor - tals did em - brace, All dark - ness and shame re - mov - ing.  
gel - ic hosts to raise Our voic - es in end - less sing - ing.  
mark of sin ef - face And bring to us all His heal - ing.

## Confession

P If God is for us, who is against us? He who gave his own Son, now gives us the Spirit and power! The Holy One is in our midst, but we know our failures and that we are far from being holy. God invites us into his presence. So, we come to our Lord in humility to confess our sins, and God meets us with mercy.

*(A moment of silent reflection)*

P If we confess our sins, God is faithful and will cleanse us. Let us pray.

C **Loving Father, there is more to life than we can grasp, yet how often we try to shrink the mystery of your Spirit, or limit what is possible by your grace. Your Spirit is always blowing new life into our days, surprising us with wonder and blessing. Forgive us for dull awareness, resistance to your will, and for being hesitant to share your saving work in our lives. Cleanse us and make us new once again. Thank you for your love for us. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

P God has had mercy on us. Because God has lavished his love on us in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. He sends his Holy Spirit and fills us with peace. We are more than conquerors; we are forgiven!

C **Praise God, we are set free! We are redeemed by your mercy and grace!**

*(Please be seated)*

## Video Hymn of Praise "Redeemed" by Big Daddy Weave

### Prayer

#### Acts 2:1–21

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." And all were amazed and perplexed, saying

to one another, "What does this mean?" But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

"And in the last days it shall be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams;  
even on my male servants and female servants  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

And I will show wonders in the heavens above  
and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;  
the sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,

before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventh chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**John 7:37–39**

On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*(Please be seated)*

## 650 Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing In the ho - liest  
2 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er liv - ing As the Church's  
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing Through the Church's



realms of light; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing  
ver - y life; Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing  
min - is - try; Quick - 'ning, strength - 'ning, and ab - solv - ing,



O'er a world of gloom and night; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Through us in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spir - it,  
Set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spir - it,



ev - er rais - ing Those of earth to thrones on high; Liv - ing,  
ev - er form - ing In the Church the mind of Christ: You we  
ev - er bind - ing Age to age and soul to soul In com -



life - im - part - ing Spir - it, You we praise and mag - ni - fy.  
 praise with end - less wor - ship For Your gifts and fruits un - priced.  
 mu - nion nev - er end - ing, You we wor - ship and ex - tol.

Text: Timothy Rees, 1874–1939, alt. Tune: Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse . . . Contradanseu, c. 1710, Amsterdam Text and tune: Public domain

## SERMON: "CONDUITS OF ETERNAL LIFE" JOHN 7:37-39

*(Please Stand)*

### 783 Take My Life and Let It Be

sts. 1, 4–5



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;  
 5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no long - er mine;



Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.  
 Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy roy - al throne.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–79 Tune: William H. Havergal, 1793–1870 Text and tune: Public domain

### Prayer of the Congregation

P Lord, in Your mercy,  
 C hear our prayer.

### Lord's Prayer

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**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

*(Please remain standing)*

### Words of Institution

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
 C **And also with you.**

*(Please be seated)*

## Holy Communion

Communion Video: "How Great Is Our God/How Great Thou Art" by CeCe Winans Praise team

### Continuous Distribution by Pastor

(Family units will come forward to receive the elements and take them to their seats. Please wait to eat and drink until instructed)

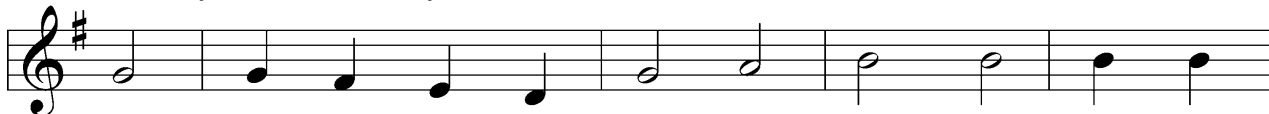
### All receive the Sacrament together

(Pastor will indicate when to take the wafer and the cup.)



*(Please stand)*

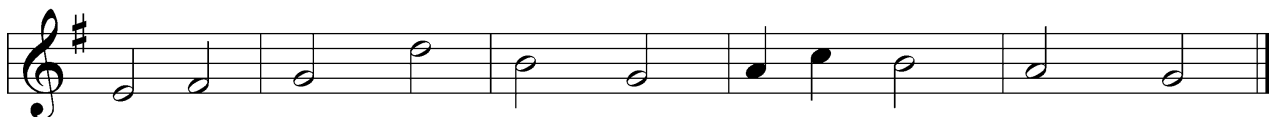
### 632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee



1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt  
2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is



thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -  
come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -



ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.  
in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. Arthur J. Mason, 1851–1928 Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois Text and tune: Public domain

## Benediction

### 825 Rise, Shine, You People



1 Rise, shine, you peo - ple! Christ the Lord has en - tered  
2 See how He sends the pow'rs of e - vil reel - ing;  
3 Come, cel - e - brate, your ban - ners high un - furl - ing,  
4 Tell how the Fa - ther sent His Son to save us.



Our hu - man sto - ry; God in Him is cen - tered.  
He brings us free - dom, light and life and heal - ing.  
Your songs and prayers a - gainst the dark - ness hurl - ing.  
Tell of the Son, who life and free - dom gave us.



He comes to us, by death and sin sur -  
 All men and wom - en, who by guilt are  
 To all the world go out and tell the  
 Tell how the Spir - it calls from ev - 'ry



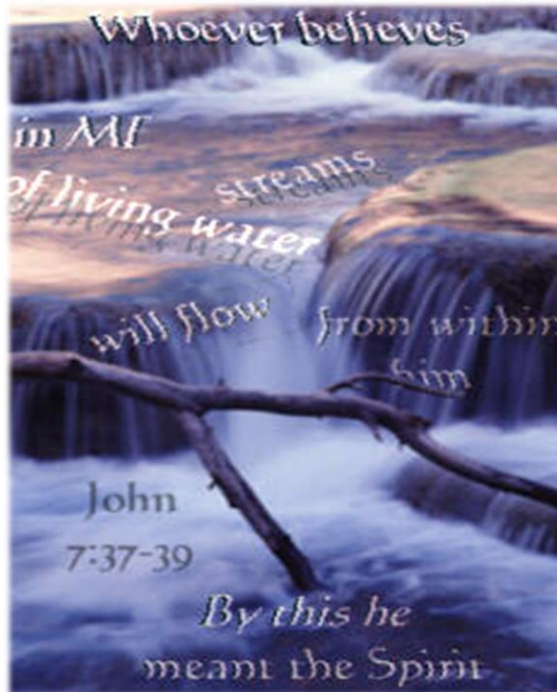
round - ed, With grace un - bound - ed.  
 driv - en, Now are for - giv - en.  
 sto - ry Of Je - sus' glo - ry.  
 na - tion His new cre - a - tion.

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### Dismissal

P Go in Peace, Serve the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**



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