

# Northminster Presbyterian Church

*Welcomes You to Worship*

**Pentecost  
Sunday**

**May 23, 2010**

**10:00 A.M.**

The Reverend Dwight McCormick II, Pastor

**Prelude**                    *“The Spirit of God Is Like a Fire Burning”*

**Welcome and Announcements (pass attendance roster)**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Bell Choir Introit**                    *“Oh, How Joyfully”*

**\*Call to Worship**

Diana Schneider

Leader:            The Day of Pentecost is here:

**People:            the day when the flames of faith dance in our hearts.**

Leader:            The Day of Pentecost is here:

**People:            the day when our babbling speech becomes the Good News  
for the world.**

Leader:            The Day of Pentecost is here:

**People:            the day when compassion is seared into our souls.**

Leader:            The Day of Pentecost is here:

**People:            let the people of God rejoice. Alleluia!**

**\*Hymn No. 315**                    *“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”*

**Call to Reconciliation**

**Prayer of Confession (unison)**

**Spirit of God: you come, aflame with new life, but our apathy threatens to douse your passion; you come, on fire with love, yet we limit our affections to a select few; you come, surging with new dreams and new hopes, but we still cling to the old ways of living; you come, glowing with the vision of the kingdom, yet we close our eyes to your future.**

**Forgive us, Spirit of Truth, forgive us. Come to us, anew, this day: to shatter our hardened hearts with your tenderness; to set our souls on fire with your love; to send us into a world which aches for the new joy, the new hope, the new life offered in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

*Silence is kept for individual confession of sin*

**Amen.**

**Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: With a gentle breeze God inflames our spirits; with a strong wind, God reminds us of our need to forgive and be forgiven. Like a cleansing storm, God takes away our past, revealing the fresh, new life which is ours.

**People: Awakened, refreshed, renewed, made whole: now we can dance with the wind, singing our praises to the One who gives life to all. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**\*Response of Praise**

GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end, Amen, Amen.*

**Joys and Concerns**

**Congregational Prayer Response**

*O Lord hear our prayer, O Lord hear our prayer, when we call answer us.  
O Lord hear our prayer, O Lord hear our prayer, come and listen to us.*

**Recognition of Teachers and Graduates**

**Choral Anthem**

*“Clap Your Hands”*

**Children’s Time and the Lord’s Prayer (debts and debtors)**

**Old Testament Lesson**

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

**People: Thanks be to God**

**New Testament Lesson**

Acts 2:1-21

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

**People: Thanks be to God**

**Sermon**

Rev. Dwight McCormick II

## Ordination/Installation of Elders and Deacons

### Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Offertory*      “On This Day of Joy and Gladness”

#### \*Response of Praise

DOXOLOGY

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

#### \*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**Provider God, we thank you and worship you for your Grace and mercy for us and for all people. Help us give generously out of our gratitude for your love and in response to your call on our lives. We present these tithes and offerings to further your Kingdom and to glorify you. Amen.**

\*Hymn No. 127      “Come, O Spirit”

#### Celebration of Communion (See insert)

\*Hymn No. 130      “Let Every Christian Pray”

#### \*Benediction and Response

Leader:      God's glory has filled our hearts!

**People:      We will go to empty ourselves for others.**

Leader:      Christ has given himself for us!

**People:      We will go to give ourselves to everyone in need.**

Leader:      The Spirit gifts us with new life!

**People:      We go to be a blessing to everyone we meet.**

#### \*Postlude

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\*Those who are able are invited to stand.

**We invite you to stay for the Pentecost Picnic  
following worship.**