

**CONTEMPORARY SERVICE SCRIPT
PENTECOST
May 28, 2023 8:15 AM**

PRELUDE “Eternal Father Strong to Save”

Brass Ensemble: Peter Rothenberger, Trumpet; Zora Fullbright, Trombone
Drew Stile, Tuba; Savannah Crouch, Flute

WELCOME AND GREETING

OPENING PRAISE “God of Our Fathers” Daniel C. Roberts

**God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.**

**Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;
Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay,
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.**

**Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.**

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MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE AND PRAYER

TAPS Peter Rothenberger, Trumpet

NEW LIFE IN THE SPIRIT ON PENTECOST

P: When God sends forth the Spirit amazing things happen: barriers are broken,

C: **communities are formed,**

P: opposites are reconciled,

C: **unity is established,**

P: disease is cured,

C: **addiction is broken,**

P: cities are renewed,

C: **races are reconciled,**

P: hope is established,
C: **dishonest folks 'fess up,**

P: sour folks sweeten up,
C: **closed folk, open up,**

P: gossipers shut up,
C: **conflicted folks make up,**

P: sleeping folks wake up,
C: **lukewarm folks, fire up,**

P: discouraged folks cheer up,
C: **and pew potatoes stand up!**

All: But most of all, Christ the Savior of all the world is lifted up.

CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

P: Heavenly Father, please send us a greater measure of Your Holy Spirit! We need Your help! We cannot hide from You or conceal from You the sins that lurk deep within us. It is comforting to know that we can be honest and admit our failures to You and You will cleanse us and give us a new start. Hear us now as we make confession:

C: **We confess that we have not loved You or our neighbors as Your Word has taught us.**

We are quick to find fault and rush to judgment---uttering words and displaying actions that do not build others up but tear them down.

We have not made it our priority to grow in our Christian faith and life.

We have not used the gifts of love and service which You gave us through the Holy Spirit.

We are guilty of dwelling on our own self interests while neglecting strangers and visitors among us.

Forgive us, Lord, for these sins and other wrongs which we admit to you in this moment of silence. (Silence)

P: I have Good News for you who have confessed your sins to the Lord. Jesus Christ was given to die for you and for His sake God forgives you all your sins. Through the Holy Spirit He gives you power to live a righteous and joyful life as a child of God. I therefore declare God's forgiveness of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Receive the Holy Spirit that you might live this new life!

C: Amen!

SONG OF PRAISE "One Thing Remains"

**Higher than the mountains that I face
Stronger than the power of the grave Constant in the trial and the change
One thing re – mains One thing re – mains**

**Your love never fails it never gives up never runs out on me
Your love never fails it never gives up never runs out on me
Your love never fails it never gives up never runs out on me Your love**

**On and on and on and on it goes
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul
And I never ever have to be a - fraid
One thing re – mains One thing re – mains**

**Your love never fails it never gives up never runs out on me
Your love never fails it never gives up never runs out on me
Your love never fails it never gives up never runs out on me Your love**

**In death in life I'm confident and covered by
The power of Your great love
My debt is paid there's nothing that can separate
My heart from Your great love**

**Your love never fails it never gives up never runs out on me
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SERMON "Help Is Here" John 14:16-17

(Sermon outline on back of bulletin)

PRAYERS and THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING *(As joyful givers, we clap for the offering)*

MUSICAL OFFERING "Reason to Praise"

**When I'm at my end, You're just getting started
When I hit a wall, You just walk through
When I face a mountain, You are the Maker So it's gotta move
When I'm out of faith, You are still faithful
When I'm at my worst, You are still good
In all of my questions, You are the answer It all points to You**

**'Cause You're the God of the breakthrough When I'm breaking down
You'll be working a way through When there's no way out
This one thing I know, You're still on Your throne
So whatever I'm feeling I've still got a reason to Praise**

Praise, Praise, (I've still got a reason to praise)

**Out of our wrongs, You write our story
And out of the cross, come rivers of grace
And out of the grave, bursts a revival no tomb can con-tain**

**'Cause You're the God of the breakthrough When I'm breaking down
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So whatever I'm feeling I've still got a reason to Praise**

**Praise, Praise, (I've still got a reason to praise)
Praise, Praise, (I've still got a reason to praise)**

**When You come a-round Dry bones come to life
Deserts to paradise Stones just start rollin' a-way
When You come a-round My heart starts to beat again
Lungs stretch to breathe You in souls just erupt into praise**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

CLOSING PRAISE "What A Beautiful Name"

**You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in cre - ation
Now re - vealed in You our Christ**

**What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Je - sus Chr - ist my Ki - ng
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is, the Na - me of Je - sus (hold 1mm)**

**You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could sepa - rate us now**

**What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Je - sus Chr - ist my Ki - ng
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is, the Na - me of Je - sus
What a wonderful Name it is, the Na - me of Je - sus**

**Death could not hold You the veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life a - gain**

**You have no rival You have no equal
Now and for - ever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names**

**You have no rival You have no equal
Now and for - ever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names**

**What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand a - gainst
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus
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