

05-28-23 FOR THE JOURNEY THIS WEEK

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

- *Daniel Iverson*

“This Spirit that swept through the house gifted more than those disciples at Pentecost and the disciples with whom we minister today. That Spirit has been loosed into the world, and its creative and life-giving power is now the gift of families and communities, of churches, and of nations.”

- *David M. Bender*



Acts 2:1-21

Questions for Reflection —

- What have been the Pentecost moments in your life? How have you experienced the creative and life-giving power of the Holy Spirit? What would it look like for the Holy Spirit to fall afresh on you now? What would it mean for you to live a Spirit-filled life? How will you let the Holy Spirit mold and use you?

- What do you think it looks like for a congregation to be on fire with the Holy Spirit? When/how have you seen evidence of the creative power of the Holy Spirit moving among us and working through us? What might it look like for the Holy Spirit to fall afresh on our congregation? What would it mean for us to be a Spirit-filled and Spirit-led church?

- How aware are you presently of your own spiritual gifts? What do you need in order to further develop and more fully utilize your spiritual gifts? What diversity of gifts do you see in our congregation? How can we as a community of faith discern how to utilize our corporate giftedness to do God’s work in the world? What dreams and ideas for our future as a congregation is the Holy Spirit stirring? How can we respond boldly to the Spirit’s prompting?

Daily Household Prayer

Almighty God, at the feast of Pentecost you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples. Empower us with that same Spirit. May the boldness of your Spirit transform us; may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us; may the gifts of your Spirit be our goal and our strength, now and always. Amen.