Announcements

May 23 rd (Sun.)	Worship Service "Character Traits of a Christian" (Matthew 5:31-48)	10:30 a.m.
May 24 th (Mon.)	Personnel Meeting	2:30 p.m.
May 26 th (Wed.)	"Sunday" School in Sanctuary Choir Practice in Sanctuary	10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
May 30 th (Sun.)	Worship Service "Secrecy is the Secret" (Matthew 6:1-7, 16-18)	10:30 a.m.
May 31st (Mon.)	Memorial Day, Office closed	

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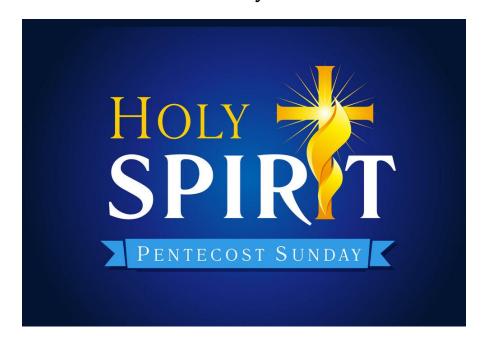
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The Worship of God – May 23, 2021 Day of Pentecost

COMMUNION WITH GOD

Meditation and Silent Prayer

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Prelude Michael Cow	an			
Hymns of the Faith				
Welcome, Announcements, and ConcernsDr. H. Powell Dew,	, Jr.			
PRAISE AND ADORATION				
Call to Worship	ın			
 O spread the tidings round, wher'ver man is found, Wher'ever human hearts and human woes abound; Let every Christian tongue proclaim the joyful sound: The Comforter has come! 				
Chorus: The Comforter has come, The Comforter has come! The Holy Ghost from Heav'n, the Father's promise giv O spread the tidings 'round, wher'ver man is found— The Comforter has come!	'n;			
2. Lo, the great King of kings, with healing in His wings, To ev'ry captive soul a full deliv'rance brings; And thro' the vacant cells the song of triumph rings; The Comforter has come! <i>Chorus</i>				
3. O boundless love divine! How shall this tongue of min To wond'ring mortals tell the matchless grace divine – That I, a child of Hell should in His image shine!	e			

The Comforter has come!

Chorus

Prayer of Adoration	and Invocation Beth Crisp
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1.	There shall be showers of blessing: This is the promise of love; There shall be seasons refreshing, Sent from the Savior above.
	Chorus: Showers of blessing, Showers of blessing we need: Mercy-drops round us are falling, But for the showers we plead.
2.	There shall be showers of blessing, Precious reviving again; Over the hills and the valleys, Sound of abundance of rain. Chorus
3.	There shall be showers of blessing: Send them upon us, O Lord; Grant to us now a refreshing, Come, and now honor Thy word. Chorus
4.	There shall be showers of blessing: Oh, that today they might fall, Now as to God we're confessing,

Now as on Jesus we call! Chorus

WORSHIP THROUGH WORD AND PRAYER

(Please review our prayer list and pray for those listed.)		
Prayer of Intercession	Dr. Dew	
Scripture Reading	Matthew 5:33-48	



Theme: Don't get even—get over it!

Object: None is needed

Scripture: "You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also." Matthew 5:38-39 (NIV)

Imagine this scene on the playground at school. Children are playing at recess when one child pushes another. That child pushes back. Then the first child retaliates by hitting the other child who then hits him back. Soon, the two are involved in a knock-down, drag-out fight.

The teacher soon arrives and asks, "What's going on here?"

"He pushed me!" one child responds.

"Well, he pushed me first!" replies the other.

"He hit me!"

"He hit me back!"

I'm sure you have seen something like this happen on the playground at school. What do you think? If someone pushes you, isn't it OK to push them back? If someone hits you, isn't it fair for you to hit back?

I think it would be a good idea to see what Jesus has to say about this in today's Bible lesson. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus told his followers, "You have heard it said, 'An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say, do not resist an evil person! If someone slaps you on the right cheek, offer the other cheek also." That doesn't sound fair, does it?

But Jesus went even further! "You have heard the law that says, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say, love your enemies! In that way, you will be acting as true children of your Father in heaven. If you love only those who love you, what reward is there for that? If you are only kind to your friends, how are you different from anyone else?

So, that is what Jesus said and that is what he expects of us. We can only do that if we ask God to help us.

Father, sometimes we want to strike back when someone hurts us. Give us the strength and courage to do as Jesus taught us and "Turn the other cheek." In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Children's Sermon is from www.sermons4kids.com)

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC AND GIVING



Special Music

An offering plate is placed in the vestibule for your tithes and offerings. You may also use the enclosed envelope in your weekly packet to mail your tithes and offerings to the church.

Special Music		Choir
-	Revive us Again by William P. McKay arranged by Glenn and Jan Christianson	
Hymn of Dedicati	on	Hymn 468
Lor	rd, Send a Revival by B. B.	McKinney

1. Send a revival O Christ, my Lord, Let it go over the land and sea, Send it according to Thy dear Word, And let it begin in me.

Chorus:

Lord, send a revival, Lord, send a revival, Lord, send a revival, And let it begin in me.

- 2. Send a revival among Thine own,
 Help us to turn from our sins away,
 Let us get nearer the Father's throne,
 Revive us again we pray
 Chorus
- 3. Send a revival to those in sin
 Help them O Jesus to turn to Thee
 Let them the new life in Thee begin
 Oh give them the victory
 Chorus
- 4. Send a revival in every heart
 Draw the world nearer O Lord to Thee
 Let the salvation true joy impart
 And let it begin in me
 Chorus

WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION



Character Traits of a Christian

Matthew 5:33-48

Dr. H. Powell Dew, Jr. (Sermon enclosed)

WORSHIP THROUGH COMMITMENT

I have decided to follow Jesus;
 I have decided to follow Jesus;
 I have decided to follow Jesus;
 No turning back, no turning back.

- 2. Tho' none go with me, I still will follow; Tho' none go with me, I still will follow; Tho' none go with me, I still will follow; No turning back, no turning back.
- 3. My cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus; My cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus; My cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus; No turning back, no turning back.
- 4. The world behind me, the cross before me; The world behind me, the cross before me; The world behind me, the cross before me; No turning back, no turning back.



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