Welcome to the worship service of St. Andrew's United Church, 40 Joseph St., Chalk River, ON Pentecost 10:30 am May 31, 2020

Welcome & Greeting Candle lighting- remembrance and recognition

Call to Worship

Come! Let us bless the Lord who commands the wind! Come! Let us worship the Three-in-One who appoints fire and flame as messengers!

Come! Let us bless our great and glorious Maker, Giver of All Good Gifts! Amen (From the United Methodist Church in the USA)

Opening Prayer

God of All Power, Open our ears, our eyes, and our hearts with a spirit of wisdom and revelation.

Help us to hear your voice, to see your ways, and to receive with joy your truth. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Valerie Bridge Davis, *The Africana Worship Book: Year A.* (Discipleship Resources, 2006), 235-236. From the United Methodist Church in the USA

Prayer of Hope

Loving God, Compassionate Son, Healing Spirit, with tender kindness you transform our lives with your presence. You turn weeping into laughter, sorrow into joy, and death into life. We come in adoration this day and pause to worship you. We rest from our work and responsibilities; we set aside our distractions and activities to praise you for the beauty that fills your world and to enjoy our life in you. Holy One, Source of our lives, we confess that we have not always listened for your Spirit's call. You call us to love our enemies, but we cling to animosity old and new. You call us to unity in the body of Christ, but we remain divided. You send us into the world to be witnesses, but we avoid opportunities to share our joy in Christ. Loving God, you know us better than we know ourselves. We thank you for your Grace and blessed assurance of hope for all. Amen (Adapted from the Presbyterian Church in Canada)

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear this good news: In Christ God calls us forth from the tomb to the light of new life. The healing power of God's forgiveness restores us to wholeness. God releases us from the chains that bind us. We are set free to be children of God! Thanks be to God! Amen. (From the United Church of Christ in the USA)

| Hymn | "Breathe on me breath of God" |
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| https://hymnary.org | /text/breathe on me breath of god#ful |
| <u>ltexts</u> | |
| Scripture | Acts 2:1–21 |
| | The Holy Spirit comes in wind and flame. |
| Gospel Reading | John 20:19–23 |
| | Jesus appears behind locked doors |

Message

Life and Work of the Congregation Offering of time, talents and money

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

Hymn "Amazing Grace" https://hymnary.org/text/amazing grace how sweet the so und#fulltexts Commissioning Go Now in Peace VU #964