# TODAY'S SERVICE

# CULTIVATING CONNECTION WITH SELF, OTHERS, THE WIDE WORLD, AND GOD

FEEL FREE TO USE PRONOUNS OF YOUR CHOICE FOR ALL SONGS AND PRAYERS

#### Chimes

# Call to Worship: Come Fall On Us

A thankful heart prepares the way for you my God A thankful heart prepares the way for you my God Come fall on us, we fall on you, A thankful heart will be our rhythm Come fall on us, we fall on you, A thankful heart will be our song

# Sarum Prayer:

God be in my head
and in my understanding;
God be in my eyes
and in my looking;
God be in my mouth
and in my speaking;
God be in my heart
and in my thinking;
God be at my end
and at my departing

## **Body Awareness Meditation**

# A reading from the book of Acts, chapter 2:

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages

we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

#### **Announcements**

## Sermon

# **Call and Response:**

We groan at the rise of White Supremacy at the highest levels in our land

# God have mercy

Today especially, we feel powerless in the face of the violence against black and brown bodies

# Wind of God have mercy

We confess our need for a Pentecost miracle!

# Fire of God have mercy

Oh God do for us what we cannot do for ourselves **Spirit of God have mercy** 

Blow like a turbulent wind within the walls of our homes and our hearts ... and our courtrooms and our city halls and our police stations, and our schools, and our centers of faith, and our citadels of corporate power and financial power, and political power.

# Wind of God have mercy

Send tongues of fires, purifying fire, the fire of Sinai, the fire of the cherubim among the burning ones in the holy of holies, the fire of the Upper Room, the fire of Azusa Street

# Fire of God have mercy

Remember your words O Lord, "When the oppressed suffer violence and the poor cry out in misery, I will arise, says the Lord and give them what they long for!"

# Arise O God and bring us with you! God have mercy!

#### **Candles**

Prayer for loved ones: Tom, Clara, Mike, Rachel, April, Olivia, Tegan, Mary and Danielle and Nathon, Hazel, Greg, Kate, Kim, Nina, Abby, the Dìne Nation, Pine Ridge, Rosebud, Standing Rock, Tom and Gretchen, Mike and Janine, Brooke, Ben, and Naomi, Natalie, Ray, Linda, Ken and Eleanor, Kevin, Holly Ann, Pat, Chio, Mindy, Allison, Kim, Jamie, Anne, Bob, Bishop Flunder, Bishop Bonnie Perry, Bishop Darrell Goodwin, Lilliana, James, Julia, Leah, Wanda, Tonya, Alicia, Patrisse, Opal, Ozone House, immigrants.

# **Lord's Prayer**

Our Mother in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kin\_dom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kin\_dom, the power, and the glory are yours. Now
and forever. Amen.

# Communion Youth Group Minute Children's Ministry Minute

# Song: Fall Afresh

Awaken my soul, come awake To hunger, to seek, to thirst Awaken first love, come awake And do as you did, at first

Spirit of the living God come fall afresh on me Come wake me from my sleep Blow through the caverns of my soul Pour in me to overflow

Come and fill this place Let Your glory now invade Spirit come and fill this place Let your glory now invade

Spirit of the living God come fall afresh on us Come wake us from our sleep Blow through the caverns of our souls Pour in us to overflow

## **Benediction:**

May the Spirit who hovers over the whole creation, who loves all people with a tender devotion that boggles the mind, expand the reach of our hearts beyond our own family, our own nation, our own cultural comfort zones. May the Spirit gives us ears to hear thoughts beyond our own thoughts, to walk in way beyond our own ways, to make space for each other and for God.

Go in peace.
Wash your hands.
Love your neighbors.
You are not alone.