

# Shalom Mennonite Church

May 19, 2013

## *God Among Us, God Within Us* **Pentecost Sunday**

*If you love me you will keep my commandments.  
And I will ask the Father, and he will give another Advocate,  
to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth...  
You will know the Spirit, for it abides among you,  
and will be within you.*

John 14:15-17

### Gathering in God's Presence

#### **The Story of Pentecost**

Acts 2:1-21

Marvin Zehr

#### **Gathering Music & Procession**

*We carry in a flame, the Bible, and a prayer cloth. May we trust the Light to guide us, the Word to teach us, and prayer to knit our lives together with God as we begin our time of worship.*

#### **Call to Worship**

A mighty wind has blown.

**And tongues of fire have danced!**

The presence of the Spirit is with us,

**Just as Jesus the Christ promised.**

The presence of the Spirit moves and gathers us into community.

**The Spirit moves us to lives of nurturing  
and challenging one another,  
celebrating and witnessing.**

Let us marvel at God's power,

**God's power to work in and through us.**

#### **Prayer of Invocation**

#### **Hymn HWB 303**

*Come, gracious Spirit*

### Proclaiming the Word

#### **Children's Time**

Greg Nickel

#### **Hymn HWB 349**

*Spirit of the living God*

#### **Gospel Reading**

John 14:8-21

#### **Quiet Reflection**

*The periods of silence will begin and end with the ringing of a chime.*

#### **Meditation**

“fledglings”

Eric Massanari

*This is what the things can teach us:  
to fall,  
patiently to trust our heaviness.  
Even a bird has to do that  
before he can fly.*

Ranier Maria Rilke

#### **Quiet Reflection**

#### **Hymn HWB 298**

*Veni Sancte Spiritus*

### Responding to the Word

#### **Offering and Prayer**

#### **Sharing Time & Introductions**

*During this time in the service we welcome visitors, invite responses to the worship service, and share prayer concerns and joys. Please sign the Welcome Pages (black books) in the pews so we can learn each others' names.*

#### **Prayers of the People**

#### **Celebration of Communion**

#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing**

#### **Benediction Hymn STJ 32**

*If you believe and I believe*

\*The Call to Worship this morning is from *Bread for the Journey*, edited by Ruth C. Duck. Cleveland: United Church Press, 1981.

*Hearing devices are available from an usher or the sound booth.*

## ***God With Us, God Within Us*** **Pentecost Sunday**

*The ordinary person, when told to love Christ in each creature, looks for similarity, for a common pattern of behavior. And, of course, he or she soon becomes disappointed. For few people look or behave like Christ. But such is not the spiritual person's perspective. For him or her, others represent Christ in a much deeper sense, because the same divine life moves in them, of which he possesses in fullness.*

- Luis Dupré, from *The Deeper Life*



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Greeters: Anita & Stan Bohn, Connie & Kevin Regier, Gary & Gloria Rediger  
Musicians: Chris Dick, Yvonne Bontrager  
Visual Arts: Joanna Fenton Friesen  
Sound & closing: Brett Prothro  
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Pastors: Eric Massanari, Sara Dick  
Administrative Assistant: Grace Wenger  
Church Moderator: Matt Schmidt

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Our purpose is to worship and praise God together, to pray for and encourage each other to live our covenant with God and to share Christ's good news with others. As Anabaptist Christians we will reach out to others, welcome all people, be aware of our neighbors and respond to their needs, and give ourselves to service.

9:30 a.m.- Sunday School    10:45 a.m.- Worship  
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