

The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church

May 28, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

Pentecost Sunday



Adam Kossowski, Church of St. Aloysius, London

**Whoever you are, from wherever you come,
you are welcome here.**

*The Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church seeks to be a congregation where God is the center of our lives;
we celebrate children and youth and equip them with faith to meet life's challenges;
we work for justice in local and global communities.*

We Gather Together

The Prelude

Partita on Veni Creator Spiritus+ (1994)
Recitative-Chorale; Bicinium; Aria; Hocket - Cadenza – Toccata

Mary Beth Bennett

The Greeting

John Cox

Introit

Come, Holy Ghost

Veni Creator Spiritus, 9th c.

*Those who are able are invited to stand. **Bold indicates congregational response.**

Please use a connection card found in the pew to write your prayer concern and hand it to an usher or put it in the zoom chat and it will be included in the Joys and Concerns later in the service.

***The Call to Worship**

Ruling Elder Christy Schmidt

O LORD, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

When you give to them, they gather it up;

When you send forth your spirit, they are created.

May the glory of the LORD endure forever.

I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

Bless the LORD, O my soul. Let us praise the LORD!

***Hymn 289**

On Pentecost They Gathered

Munich

***Call to Confession and Corporate Prayer of Confession**

The Rev. Dr. Alice Ogden Bellis

Almighty God,

You poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues,

open ears, and a new community of faith.

We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us.

We do not listen for your word of grace, speak good news of your love,

or live as a people made one in Christ.

Have mercy on us, O God.

Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit,

and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people,

doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

A time for silent confession

***Assurance of Pardon**

Through Christ, God has poured out the Holy Spirit upon us for the forgiveness of sins.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

***The Peace**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ,

Let us forgive one another.

The peace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

And also with you!

We invite you to exchange signs of peace and reconciliation with one another.

***People's Response**

Hymn 300, st. 1

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord; we are one in the spirit; we are one in the Lord,

And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;

yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Time with Children

Melissa Mitchell Jordan

***The Gathering Hymn**

Hymn 300, st. 2

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,

And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;

yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We Share Community Joys and Concerns

Joys and Concerns

Please chat box and/or email us your prayer concerns and we will include them in the prayer list.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

...We ask these things in the name of the one who teaches us to pray together saying, **Our Father and Mother, 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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

We Hear the Word

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, as you made yourself known to the faithful gathered on the day of Pentecost, make yourself known to us this day in the reading and hearing of your Word. Open our hearts to the ways your Spirit speaks to each of us, in ways that we understand. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 11:1-9

Pew Bible OT, pg. 9

New Testament Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

Pew Bible NT, pg. 119

The choir will sing the 9th century chant *Veni Creator Spiritus* between sets of verses.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks Be to God.

Sermon

The Politics of Pentecost

The Rev. Dr. Alice Ogden Bellis

We Respond to God's Word

*Hymn 279

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

St. Agnes

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Music at the Offertory

Hymn of Fire

Eugene Butler (b.1935)

*Thou, O Christ, who came to kindle, now ignite us with Thy fire;
While the earth resists thy burning, with thy passion us inspire.
Overcome our sinful calmness, make us know our share of blame.
Baptize with thy fiery Spirit, crown our lives with tongues of flame!*

*Thou who in Thy holy purpose wills that all should truly live,
Grant us grace to be thy servants, our tranquility forgive.
Teach us courage as we struggle in all liberating strife.
Shame the smallness of our vision by thine own abundant life.*

*Thou who does a sword deliver rather than a placid peace,
By thy sharpened word disturb us, from complacency release!
Save us from our satisfaction when we personally are free,
Yet are undisturbed in spirit by each other's misery!*

Crown our lives with tongues of flame! ~D. Elton Trueblood (1900-1994)

*The People's Response

Hymn 300, st. 4

***All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one;
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.***

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 280

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

Ebenezer

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Marianne Kim (b.1972)

+Partita on "Veni Creator Spiritus" (Come, Creator Spirit) is a highly condensed, yet varied and colorful treatment of the Pentecost chant. The work is built on selected portions of the chant tune, setting them in short contrasting movements. The first phrase is set several times, first as a free introductory recitative, and then as a chorale. The Bicinium is a bright, unpredictable yet playful duo for two keyboards. The Aria which follows is a darker, more mysterious and modal treatment of the melody, reminiscent of the cantus firmus chorale preludes of J.S. Bach. Finally, the Hocket (a medieval musical form meant to sound like a hiccup) moves contrapuntally into a rhapsodic pedal cadenza, and then on to the final brief toccata where the entire unaltered melody may be heard prominently stated in the pedal. ~MBB

Leaders in worship include The Rev. Dr. Alice O. Bellis, Guest Preacher; Julie Vidrick Evans, Director of Music; The Chancel Choir; John Cox and Christy Schmidt, Liturgists. The Flowers today are presented in God's glory. For future flower dedications, please contact John Cox at johnwcox13@gmail.com or donate on the church's website. Flower donations are \$75.

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or just want to check in with us,

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WEEKLY CALENDAR May 28 – June 4, 2023		
Sunday, May 28	9:00 – 12:00 10:00 – 1:00 10:15 – 11:15 11:00 – 12:00 11:00 – 12:15 1:00 – 2:30	Nursery Childcare — Room 108 Worship — Sanctuary and Zoom at https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/83179114222?pwd=UnhZUUpsN2VPdmkwR3NyQ2kzNmN5Zz09 Sunday School Faith Trek — CCPC Conference Room Coffee Hour — Chadsey hall ESL Classes — Rooms 104, 122, 130
Tuesday, May 30	9:00 – 12:00 12:30 – 1:30	TAP Open – Office and Waiting Room Needlework Group – CCPC Library
Wednesday, May 31	11:00 – 12:00	Bible Study with Pastor Keith – Firesides and Online at https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/84457247511?pwd=UWV5aJrcGhJUVhCNU85OUQwYjllLdz09
Thursday, June 1	2:00 – 3:00	Coffee with Pastor Keith — Online at https://zoom.us/j/93390906145?pwd=QVJqdFNSU0YzUmVlc3dSYS82RWRaUT09
Friday, June 2	7:45 – 8:45	Mens Spirituality Group – Chadsey Hall
Saturday, June 3	9:30 – 10:45	Handbell Rehearsal – Sanctuary
Sunday, June 4	9:00 – 12:00 10:00 – 1:00 11:00 – 12:00 11:15 – 1:00 1:00 – 2:30	Nursery Childcare — Room 108 Music Sunday and Worship — Sanctuary and Zoom at https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/83179114222?pwd=UnhZUUpsN2VPdmkwR3NyQ2kzNmN5Zz09 Faith Trek — CCPC Conference Room Enjoy Your Summer Grill-Out — Outside or Chadsey ESL Classes — Rooms 104, 122, 130

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