

**Trinity-St. Andrew's United Church**  
**Sunday, May 31, 2020**  
**Pentecost Sunday**

**Greetings**

**Acknowledging the Land**

**Call to Worship**

Here she comes – the spirit is riding the radio waves,  
arriving in our lives at a Wi-fi frequency of 5 Ghz

**The Lord works in mysterious ways!**

God is here, igniting tongues of fire  
and life-changing wind through our lives.

**God is up to something here!**

Let's worship the Christ who summons us!

**We surrender to the mighty winds of God.**

**Let us worship now!**

**Opening Hymn:** VU 625, I Feel the Winds of God Today

- 1 I feel the winds of God today;  
today my sail I lift,  
though heavy oft with drenching spray  
and torn with many a rift;  
if hope but light the water's crest,  
and Christ my bark will use,  
I'll seek the seas at his behest,  
and brave another cruise.
- 2 It is the wind of God that dries  
my vain regretful tears,  
until with braver thoughts shall rise  
the purer, brighter years;  
if cast on shores of selfish ease  
or pleasure I should be,  
O let me feel your freshening breeze,  
and I'll put back to sea.
- 3 If ever I forget your love  
and how that love was shown,  
lift high the blood-red flag above;  
it bears your name alone.  
Great pilot of my onward way,  
you will not let me drift.  
I feel the winds of God today;  
today my sail I lift.

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Music: English and Irish traditional melody, arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams 1906

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## **Welcoming a New Member: Robert Michael LaFortune**

Mike affirms his faith in the Triune God (video)

### **Congregational response (everyone is unmuted):**

Let us pledge to Mike our continued support and care.

**We will continue to support you,**

**walk with you, and grow with you.**

**With God's help, we will live out our baptism**

**as a loving community in Jesus Christ:**

**nurturing one another in faith,**

**upholding one another in prayer,**

**encouraging one another in God's work.**

### **Affirming Congregational Faith (A New Creed)**

We are not alone,

we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus,

the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others

by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to live with respect in Creation,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

## **We Welcome with Hallelujahs (video)**

### **Scripture: Acts 2:1-21**

Let us hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem:** Pillar of Fire

(<https://youtu.be/LoEDrtcJRpA>)

**Sermon:** Live like there's no tomorrow

**Announcements**

**Minute for Mission**

**Offering**

**Dedication:**

Gather our best intentions and thoughts  
into the whirlwind of your presence,  
and bless these gifts:  
may all who need life and love  
be blown to their knees  
by the grace of your spirit. Amen.

**Prayers of the People and 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, forever and ever. Amen

**Last song:** MV 79 Spirit, Open My Heart

1. God, replace my stony heart  
with a heart that's kind and tender.  
All my coldness and fear  
to your grace I now surrender.

2. Write your love upon my heart  
as my law, my goal, my story.  
In each thought, word, and deed,  
may my living bring you glory.
3. May I weep with those who weep,  
share the joy of sister, brother.  
In the welcome of Christ,  
may we welcome one another.

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Music: traditional melody, Ireland; arr. Arthur G. Clyde, 1997

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**Sending forth:**

We leave here trusting that the spirit  
has broken us wide open,  
breathlessly vulnerable  
to all that God has in store for us.  
So we cut the internet signal and hang up our phones,  
but the Spirit will continue to open our hearts,  
to shape and enliven us,  
long after we have stopped listening.  
God is always with us.  
Thanks be to God.