

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
June 8, 2014
Pentecost

(Worship Planner: Rachel Clark)

Those who are able may stand where marked (*).

Gathering #391 "Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Welcome & Announcements *Deacon—Emily LaFlam*

Opening Prayer

Prelude and Ministry of the Acolyte

Call to Worship רִיחַ *(Ruach—breath, wind, spirit)*

One: Spirit of God, you moved across the deep
and called all good things into being. *(Genesis 1)*

**All: Spirit of God, you pushed back the sea
and your people walked through to freedom.** *(Exodus 15)*

One: Spirit of God, you stirred up dry bones
and gave hope to a ruined nation. *(Ezekiel 37)*

**All: Spirit of God, you filled your servants
with courage to speak the truth in love.** *(Isaiah 42)*

One: Spirit of God, you give life to all things;
creation explodes with your manifold blessings.

**All: All that has breath sings loud praises to you—
the amoeba, the rabbit, the fox and the whale,
the grass and the trees, the waters of the sea,
the thunder, the desert, the lion, the human—**

One: You give us your Spirit; we live and are glad;
your Spirit withdraws; we grow anxious; we die.

**All: We return to our dust, and your Spirit goes forth
renewing the face of the ground.** *(Psalm 104)*

One: Spirit of God, you move through creation
breathing your life into all that lives.

**All: Breathe into us, Holy Spirit of God;
fill us with new life, we pray.**

*Hymn #382 "Come, Holy Spirit"

Anthem "I Am Bound for the Promised Land" *McDonald*

Children's Time

Moments of Concern and Celebration
(please fill out a blue card in the pew)
Pastoral Prayer
Savior's Prayer (trespasses)

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory Music "Holy Manna" *Atkins/Raney*
*Doxology #815
*Offertory Prayer

Scripture: Acts 2:1-21

Sermon: "In a Language Too Deep for Words"

Anthem "Let the Flame Burn Brightly" *Larson*

*Benediction

*Response #384 "Spirit Song" *vs. 1*

*Ministry of the Acolyte and Postlude