

BLESSINGS

Translation: The blessings of God are really, really wonderful. They can go up, they can go down, they can go in front, they can go behind, they are side by side with all the nations.

Leader: Baraka za Mungu kweli ni za

All: Ni za ajabu

(repeat)

Leader: Zaweza kwenda juu

All: kwenda chini, kwenda mbele, kwenda nyuma

Leader: Upande upande kwa mataifa yote

All: Upande upande kwa mataifa yote

***THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Alleluia! Amen.**

THE POSTLUDE: "Come Christians, Join to Sing" Arr. Mayo

The Flowers in the Chancel today have been given by members of the Choir in honor and in loving memory of all mothers.

The Rose on the Communion table celebrates the birth of **Jorn Jefferson William White**, born Wednesday, April 30, 2008, at 1:05 a.m., weighing 8 lbs., 12.9 oz., and 21.25 inches long. The proud parents are **Jeff and Caroline White**. The congregation rejoices with the family on this blessed event.

The Liturgists: 8:45: The Rev. Dr. Frances Taylor Gench 11:00: The Rev. Ann Rose Davie

The Greeters: 8:45: The House Family: Doug, Margaret, Genna and Peter 11:00: The Lewis Ying Family: Greg Lewis, Evelyn Ying, Henry and Olivia Ying Lewis

The Tour Guides: 8:45: James O. Martin 11:00: Robert H. Osborn

(All interested in the tour today may meet the Tour Guide in front of the Eagle.)

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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church welcomes all people into community, worship, service and leadership.

May 11, 2008

8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

Day of Pentecost

THE PRELUDE: (8:45 a.m.) Hymn Sing
(11:00 a.m.) "Praise the Lord" Arr. Carter

THE INTROIT: "The Lone Wild Bird" Prospect

***THE LINCOLN CHIMES** (11:00 a.m.)

I. The Community Gathers for Worship

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP:

(From "Call to Worship" Year A – Lectionary Aids for 2007-2008)

One: How wonderful are God's works! In Wisdom
God made them all.

All: **The sea, the creeping things, all living things
both great and small show forth the glory of
God.**

One: May the glory of God endure forever.

All: **We will sing praise to God as long as we live.**



**If able please stand*

Please turn off cell phones and pagers.

Please confine movement in or out of the Sanctuary to the time of the singing of hymns.

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***THE OPENING HYMN:** # 127

“Come, O Spirit”

Boundless Mercy

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

(From “Call to Worship” Year A – Lectionary Aids for 2007-2008)

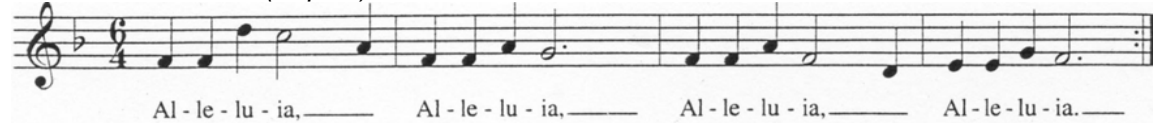
Holy Spirit, how we need You! Our vision is dim, our dreams too small. Come Holy Spirit: Inspire and direct us. Our hearts are cold. Our faith is feeble. Come, Holy Spirit: Kindle fire within us. Our body is broken, our unity breached. Come, Holy Spirit: Heal and preserve us. Fill this place with songs of praise. Fuel our lives with power and grace. Renew this world, we pray, that it might glow with the light of Your love and show forth Your salvation.

THE SILENT CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***THE RESPONSE:** *(Repeat)*

“Zimbabwe Alleluia”



***THE APOSTLES’ CREED:** (Traditional – page 14 in the Hymnal)

II. The Community Hears the Word of God

THE FIRST LESSON: Galatians 4:1-7, page 178, NRSV

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE ANTHEM: “Set Me as a Seal” from **Wedding Cantata**

Daniel Pinkham

THE TIME FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FRIENDS

(Children are invited to join the Pastor for Worship Play during 8:45 a.m. service. We will return to the Sanctuary after the hymn or your child can join the Nursery.)

THE SECOND LESSON: Acts 2:1-24, pages 111-112, NRSV

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON: “Sighs, Groans and Other Yearnings”

Rev. Roger J. Gench

III. The Community Responds to the Word

***THE SERMON HYMN:** # 128

“On Pentecost They Gathered”

Munich

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE GIVING OF MORNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(8:45 a.m.) *The Passing of the Peace as We Gather Around the Table for Giving and Prayer.

(11:00 a.m.) **THE OFFERTORY:** “Arise My Love”

Craig Carnahan

***THE RESPONSE:** # 592 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** (unison)

(From “Touch Holiness” by Ruth C. Duck & Maren C. Tirabassi)

Wonderful, amazing, God, we thank You that You have raised Jesus Christ from the dead, bringing us the promise of new life. With the dawning of this new day, may we awake to new opportunities to love and serve You and witness to Christ whom You have raised. Use us, and our gifts, to Your glory. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER *(page 16–Traditional)*

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE** (11:00 a.m.)

***THE SENDING HYMN:** # 319 (Verses 1, 3, 4) “Spirit”

James K. Manley

Refrain: Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free, Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

1. You moved on the waters, You called to the deep, then You coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep, and over the eons You called to each thing, “Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.” *(Refrain)*
3. You sang in a stable, You cried from a hill, then You whispered in silence when the whole world was still, and down in the city You called once again when You blew through Your people on the rush of the wind. *(Refrain)*
4. You call from tomorrow, You break ancient schemes, from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams; our women see visions, our men clear their eyes. With bold new decisions Your people arise. *(Refrain)*

***THE COMMISSIONING TO MINISTRY AND THE BENEDICTION**