

Pentecost Sunday May 23, 2010

when we put the gospel
to hip hop
and host u2charists,
when we share the church building
with the Korean congregation,
when we preach
against homophobia
when we break bread
with jews and muslims,
when the teenagers lead worship
on a regular Sunday (not just
youth day)
when we invoke the ancestors
and learn from their lives,
when we live at the borders
offering water
to those in the desert
harbor to those in danger
and community
when we don't fit in. . .
it is then that we speak in tongues

Monica A. Coleman
Beautiful Mind Blog



"Speaking in Tongues" by Sarajo Frieden
<http://sarajofrieden.com/>

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Following the God
made known in the life
and teachings of Jesus...

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

OPENING WORDS

One: Holy Spirit,
move through
the babble of our worship words
that we might hear
the lucidity of your Word.

*HYMN 32

"God of the Sparrow"

tune: Roeder
words: J. Vajda



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| 1. God of the spar - row | God of the whale | God of the swirl - ing |
| 2. God of the earth-quake | God of the storm | God of the trum - pet |
| 3. God of the rain - bow | God of the cross | God of the emp - ty |
| 4. God of the hun - gry | God of the sick | God of the prod - i - |



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| stars_____ | How does the crea-ture say | Awe_____ |
| blast_____ | How does the crea-ture cry | Woe_____ |
| grave_____ | How does the crea-ture say | Grace_____ |
| gal_____ | How does the crea-ture say | Care_____ |



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| How does the crea - ture say | Praise_____ |
| How does the crea - ture cry | Save_____ |
| How does the crea - ture say | Thanks_____ |
| How does the crea - ture say | Life_____ |

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| 5. God of the neighbor | God of the foe | 6. God of the ages | God near at hand |
| God of the pruning hook | | God of the loving heart | |
| How does the creature say Love | | How do your children say Joy | |
| How does the creature say Peace | | How do your children say Home. | |

*LITANY (People's response in **bold**)

One: We celebrate the distinctions with each passage of life,
hoping for infamy that will hold our lives unique.

Many: **While we are building towers**
we miss the invitation to humility.

One: We crave a place of security for our persons and our things
where we can claim confidence and freedom from fear.

Many: **While we are building towers**
we forfeit the power of vulnerability.

Welcome!

A word about diversity:

We strive to be a safe place for all people to worship regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, sexual orientation or gender identity.

A word about children:

We love children, babies, and teens and we welcome all ages to share worship with us. Professional childcare is available throughout the morning for those who prefer. Activity folders (available in the Narthex) allow children of all ages to respond creatively to worship. A playtime for preschool age children is offered after the Chancel Steps at the 11:00 a.m. service.

A word about special needs:

We are committed to making our worship service as accessible as possible. We offer special hearing devices, accessible seating, and other services as requested. Please let us know how we can help make this worship experi-



BABBLE

I am NOT addicted.
I can stop when I want. I just dont want to.

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One: We create visions of unity where voices are held in harmony and conformity grows in the absence of conflict.

Many: **While we are building towers we forget to embrace the richness of diversity.**

One: We are building towers while God beckons from the low places.

Many: **In the humility, the vulnerability, the diversity we find the good news;**

One: Our end is our beginning.

Many: **Amen.**

*RESPONSE

"Send Down the Fire!"

Marty Haugen

Refrain E^b Gm⁷ A^b B^b E^b Gm⁷ A^b B^b E^b Gm⁷

Send down the fire of your jus- tice; _____ Send down the

A^b D^b A^b/C B^b E^b Gm⁷ A^b B^b

rains of your love; _____ Come send down the Spir- it, breathe

E^b G⁷ Cm Fm G A^b B^b E^b B^b A^b B

life in your peo- ple, and we shall be peo- ple of God. _____

E^b B^b A^b B^b E^b B^b A^b B^b E^b B^b A^b B

Call us to be your com- pas- sion, _____
Call us to learn of your mer- cy, _____
Call us to an- swer op- pres- sion, _____

E^b B^b A^b D^b A^b/C B^b Fm E^b

Teach us the song of your love; _____ Give us hearts that
Teach us the way of your peace; _____ Give us hearts that
Teach us the fire of your truth; _____ Give us right- eous

B^b E^b G⁷ Cm

sing, Give us deeds that ring, Make us
feel, Give us hands that heal, Make us
souls, 'Til your jus- tice rolls, Make us

Fm E^b/G A^b F⁷ B^b Fm⁷ B^b7 **To Refrain**

ring with the song of your love. _____
walk in the way of your peace. _____
burn with the fire of your love. _____

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2 (selected verses)

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

I Corinthians 12:4-11

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of Spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

CHANCEL STEPS

"Does God have a Big Toe?"

Marc Gellman

Children are invited to come to the Chancel Steps to share a story.

Following the story, young children may choose to go to the nursery (both services) or to Shepherds (11:00am—a play time in the Red Room downstairs).

ANTHEM

8:30AM

"True Light"
Chancel Choir

Hampton

11:00AM

"Listening for the Call"
Children's Choir

Allen Pote

SERMON

"Babel or Babble"

Katherine Hawker

***HYMN 509**

"We Would be Building"

tune: Finlandia
words: Purd Dietz

**We would be building temples still undone
O'er crumbling walls their crosses scarcely lift,
Waiting till love can raise the broken stone,
And hearts creative bridge the human rift.
We would be building, Architect Divine,
Reveal the shape of life in your design.**

**Teach us to build; upon the solid rock
We set the dream that hardens into deed,
Ribbed with fine steel, both time and change to mock,
Th' unfailling purpose of our noblest creed.
Teach us to build; O Maker, lend us sight
To see the towers gleaming in the light.**

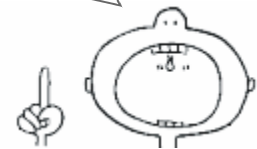
CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION 11:00 AM

(SEE INSERT)

Consider the divine spirit in the human soul. This spirit is not easily satisfied. It storms the firmament and scales the heavens trying to reach the Spirit that drives the heavens. Because of this energy everything in the world grows green, flourishes, and bursts into leaf. But the spirit is never satisfied. It presses on deeper and deeper into the vortex, further and further into the whirlpool, the primary source in which the spirit has its origin.

—Meister Eckhart,
quoted by Matthew Fox,
The Reinvention of Work, pg 122

하나님을 기억 널 사랑해



Bird Shadows/Holy Spirit
My God is in the next room,
cooking unseen feasts
and humming;
moments of ache before rain
when the whole June cloud
is ready to burst through
though no drop has yet fallen;
dandelion blades that insist
adamantly they must reside
directly
in the middle of your neighbor's
blacktopped suburban driveway;
sights of the shadow of
a bird flitting
by the sill near the bed of an aging
Grace,
who can no longer move but
counts herself
lucky because at least
she can still see.
This is my God:
expectant and grinning
wild and near.

Callid Keefe-Perry
The Image of Fish

In our Prayers



Sharing our Gifts

During our Procession to the Table (8:30am) and Celebration of Giving (11:00am), we are invited to consider our offerings. The easiest way to make a financial offering is to drop check or money, marked clearly for EUCC or for special offerings, in the basket during worship. You can also set up electronic giving, which saves paper—and you never need your checkbook. Please contact the church office for more information.

May Special Offering

The Servant Team of EUCC would like to invite the members of the Congregation to help restore life to women in Africa who have experienced birth trauma. We will do this by supporting the work of our own Lewis Wall and the Worldwide Fistula Fund. Throughout the month of May we will collect donations for this great cause. Please make checks out the EUCC while noting Worldwide Fistula Fund in the memo section. Thank you for your support.

Finances in Brief

For the four month period ending April 30, 2010 the General Fund contributions received were \$98,892, other income was \$5,897 for a total of \$104,789. Expenses were \$99,038. The result is a surplus on April 30 of \$5,751. The weekly average of contributions received was \$6,016. The weekly average needed is \$6,013. Difference is a surplus of \$3 per week.

Ken Ulmer
Finance Team Leader

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Believing that each joy and/or concern expressed is indeed a prayer, After each expression, the worship leader will say: Lord in your Mercy. And the people may respond: Hear our prayer.

**God, lover of us all, most holy one.
Help us to respond to you.
To create what you want for us here on earth.
Give us today enough for our needs.
Forgive our weak and deliberate offences,
just as we must forgive others when they hurt us.
Help us to resist evil and to do what is good.
For we are yours, endowed with your power
to make our world whole. Amen.**

Lala Winkley

TABLE PRAYER AND PROCESSION TO THE TABLE 8:30 AM AND 11:00 AM INVITATION, REMEMBRANCE AND BLESSING

**Come, Holy Spirit, come.
Bless this bread and bless this fruit of the vine.
Bless all of us in our eating and drinking
that our eyes might be opened,
that we might recognize the risen Christ in our midst
indeed, in one another. Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

*The Congregation is invited to come forward by the center aisle...
partaking of the bread and cup, lighting a candle in prayer, and placing
an offering in the plates beside the table.*

RESPONSE 282 "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" tune: Traditional Spiritual

**Every time I feel the Spirit,
Movin' in my heart, I will pray
Yes, every time I feel the Spirit,
Movin' in my heart, I will pray**

**Upon the mountain my Lord spoke
Out of his mouth came fire and smoke
I looked around me, it looked so fine
I asked my Lord if all was mine (chorus)**

**Jordan's River, chilly and cold
Chills the body but not the soul
There ain't but one train upon this track
It runs to heaven and runs right back (chorus)**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

One: Knowing that many voices clamor and compete,
Many: **we pray that these offerings given
may become symbolic of our decision
to serve one master, one God.**

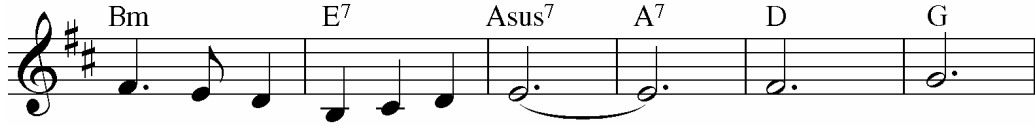
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***HYMN 286**

“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness” source: James Manley



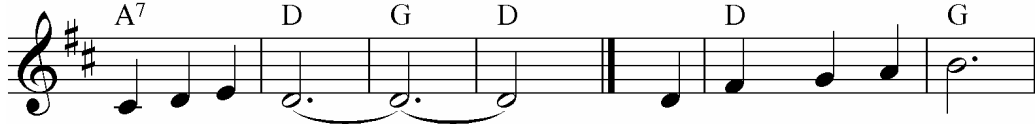
Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the



wil - der-ness call-ing and free, Spir - it,



spir - it of rest - less-ness, stir me from plac - id-ness, wind,



wind on the sea. You moved on the wa -
You swept through the des -
You sang in a sta -
You call from to - mor -



ters, you called to the deep, then you coaxed up the moun -
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ble, you cried from a hill, then youwhis-pered in si -
row, you break an-cient schemes from the bond - age of sor -



tains from the val - leys of sleep; And o - ver the e -
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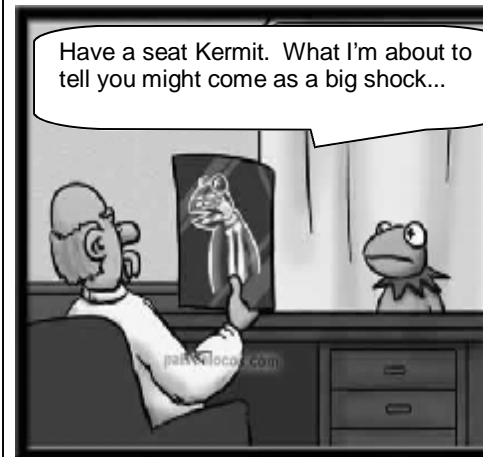


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***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Bulletin recycling: Though we invite you to take your bulletin home to review the prayers and opportunities throughout the week, if you choose to leave your bulletin after the 8:30am service place it in the blue box and we will use it again!



Church Picnic—June 6th



Following the 11am worship service on June 6th, we will hold our annual **Potluck Picnic** on the lawn of the church. We will provide hot dogs and beverages and ask that you bring a dish to share at this fun family event.

Yoga

Yoga is an ancient tradition which speaks to the healthy intersection of mind, body, and spirit. As an embodied prayer, it fosters our connection with the sacred through attention to our bodies. Amy Soell, EUCC member, is a certified Yoga instructor who shares this ancient worship form with our community each Saturday morning at 7:30am. There is no fee for this class and new friends are always welcome. (No class on May 29).

Still Speaking Center...

is our nickname for the 212 Building. How will this building be used by our community and/or the wider community? God is still speaking, and we are doing our best to listen! Our Wellness Advisory Group, our Adult classes, our Youth, and our Governing Body have all been calling this space "home" during our construction. It has literally been our Still Speaking Center...

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

CHURCH PICNIC...SUNDAY JUNE 6 AT 12 NOON

SHARED MINISTRY WORKDAY (GB RETREAT)... JUNE 12

SHANNONDALE FAMILY CAMP...JUNE 11-13

JULY 4TH PICNIC... JULY 3RD!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING... JULY 11

PEACE TRAIL (VCS)...AUGUST 2-6

News from Gateway ONA...

Join EUCC along with other UCC friends at the Gateway ONA booth during **Pride St. Louis, June 26-27** (Tower Grove Park). Together with other ONA churches (UCC) in our area, we'll welcome new friends at our booth, march in the parade and celebrate Pride! We need folks to sign up for 2 hour shifts at the booth. This is a great chance to build community AND share God's inclusive embrace with the wider metro community. Volunteer information is available on the table in the narthex or you can sign up by visiting Gateway ONA on Facebook.

ALSO...

Save the Date...

Gateway ONA Picnic

Saturday, August 7th 1pm

Bohrer Park

5705 S. Lindbergh Blvd 63123

Look for details in future bulletins and News and Notes!!!

Adult Education this Spring

Sunday Mornings at 9:45am

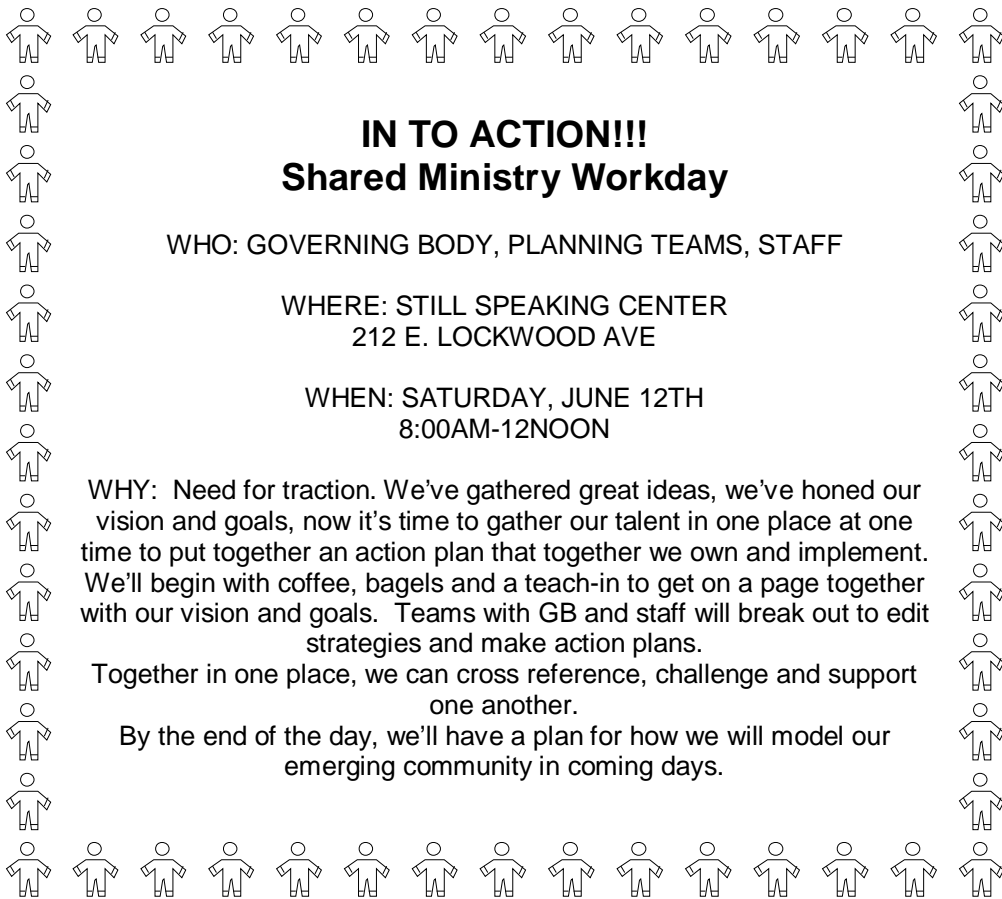
Still Speaking Center (212 Bldg)

Bible Study Update:

Our last class for the season is this morning (May 24th). We'll begin again after Labor Day and hope you'll join us!

Parent Group:

Exploring Children's spiritual lives. Join us in the Still Speaking Center (212 Bldg) this Sunday @ 9:45am while the kids are in Church School.



IN TO ACTION!!!

Shared Ministry Workday

WHO: GOVERNING BODY, PLANNING TEAMS, STAFF

WHERE: STILL SPEAKING CENTER
212 E. LOCKWOOD AVE

WHEN: SATURDAY, JUNE 12TH
8:00AM-12NOON

WHY: Need for traction. We've gathered great ideas, we've honed our vision and goals, now it's time to gather our talent in one place at one time to put together an action plan that together we own and implement. We'll begin with coffee, bagels and a teach-in to get on a page together with our vision and goals. Teams with GB and staff will break out to edit strategies and make action plans.

Together in one place, we can cross reference, challenge and support one another.

By the end of the day, we'll have a plan for how we will model our emerging community in coming days.

On Sunday, May 30th we are honored to be hosting Steve Cutting from the Asian Rural Institute. Located in Northern Japan, the Asian Rural Institute (ARI) is an international training ground for grassroots rural leaders. Christopher Grundy, EUCC friend and Eden professor, served with ARI and commended Steve to us. Our Servant Team accepted the invitation to host ARI and is happy to offer this opportunity to learn new ways of living the gospel. Better yet, join us on Sunday morning, May 30th!

Church School Update...

Today, Sunday, August 23rd Church School will begin their final unit, "Jesus on the Water". Elementary age class will be held in Fellowship Hall or, weather permitting, outside on the lawn!!. Our last day of Church School classes is June 6th. (WE DO have classes on Memorial Day weekend!).

Mission Trip 2010...

This summer EUCC's Youth will head to Nashville, TN to partner with First Federated Church of Peoria, IL for a mission project coordinated by the Group Workcamp Foundation. Together they will work with 80 other students to engage in ministry with children, elders and people with special needs. Mission projects have the potential to help teenagers grow spiritually, expand their world views, and figure out how to live the Gospel in the world today. Thanks to Jeanne Smith for coordinating this event with First Federated!!!

THIS WEEK AT EUCC

Sunday, May 23rd

- 8:30am—Worship
- 9:30am—Sandwich Sunday
- 9:45am—Church School
- 9:45am—Bible Study (Still Speaking Center)
- 9:45am—Parent Group (Still Speaking Center)
- 9:45am—Coffee Fellowship
- 11:00am—Worship
- 4:00pm—Youth in Service
- 5:00pm—Woodcarvers

Monday, May 24th

- 9:15am—Job Jar Gang
- 12:15pm—Staff Meeting

Tuesday, May 25th

- 10:00am—Orchard House Bible Study
- 12:15pm—Al-Anon Meeting (Fireside Room)
- 7:00pm—Phase 1 Building Committee Meeting

Wednesday, May 26th

- 5:30pm—Sts C&F Weekday Mass

Thursday, May 27th

Friday, May 28th

- 9:30am—WG Mom's Connection Set-up (Red Rm/Fellowship Hall)

Saturday, May 29th

- 7:30am—Yoga Class
- 4pm-7pm—Winnie Hawker Boehnke's Graduation Party

Today is Sandwich Sunday!

9:45am in the Fellowship Hall

MANY HANDS NEEDED!

Help us share Monday lunches with those in need. New friends always welcome!

Sunday Morning

Shared Ministry Opportunities — Signups are in the Narthex

Ministry		Today	Next Week
Liturgists	Read the Morning Scripture and Prayers	OPEN	David Meirs (8:30am)
Shepherds	Help Carolyn play with our preschoolers	Love-Bryant Family	Bardelmeiers
Crib Room Assistants	Help Carole play with our babies (two shifts)	Peggy Thater	Jan Ittner
Ushers	Greet worshipers and (at 11:00am) collect offering	Bob and Bobbie Pahmeier Bob and Jean Karr Bob Risk and Ray Mulligan	Joli Baker Earl Brown Ken Ulmer Paul Huppert
Coffee Hour	Provide finger foods and greet community between services	Confirmation Celebration	Birthday Celebration
Money Counters	Count the weekly offerings and enter into database	Nick Gilham and Jeremy Meyer	Brenda Detrick Barb Schroeder
Welcome Table	Greet visitors and members		

Pastoral Team
Katherine Hawker,
Marilyn Stavenger, Al Schon
Pastoral Assistant, Sue Schindel

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Worship, Lil Lau

Endeavoring to maintain the unity of the Holy Spirit in the bond of peace, we are open to and affirming of each child of God, recognizing that we are called to be as one reconciled Body with members of every race, gender identity, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, class, age and physical or mental health and ability.

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