BETHESDA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

10:30 a.m. Sunday 8 June 2025 Pentecost Sunday

ENTRANCE

Prelude and Lighting of Candles

Announcements (To help us connect,

please sign the attendance pad in your pew)

*Greeting**: We will sing to the Lord as long as we live.

We will sing to the Lord while we have being.

God sends forth the Spirit and all is made new.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever!

(Psalm 104)

*Praise Choruses: 2236 "Gather Us In"

2237 "As a Fire Is Meant for Burning"

*Opening Prayer: 542 "Day of Pentecost"

*Opening Hymn: 518 "O Thou, in Whose Presence"

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination: 602 "Concerning the Scriptures"

First Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

Psalter: (*Insert: Alternate leader and people*)

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Second Lesson: Romans 8:14-17

*Hymn of Preparation: 538(*Tune 399*) "Wind, Who Makes All

Winds That Blow"

*Gospel Lesson: John 14:8-17, 25-27 (Repeat 14:27

in various languages)

Sermon

*A Modern Affirmation (Page 885)

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Joys, Concerns, Prayers, Children's Time

*The Peace: Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THANKSGIVING

Invitation: As forgiven and reconciled people, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

Offering/Offertory

*Doxology: 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Thanksgiving+:

God of wind, word, and fire, we bless your name this day for sending the light and strength of your Holy Spirit.

We give you thanks for all the gifts, great and small, that you have poured out upon your children.

Accept us with our gifts to be living praise and witness to your love throughout all the earth; through Jesus Christ, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever. Amen.

(Don E. Saliers, U.S.A., 20th Cent.)

*The Lord's Prayer: 895

SENDING FORTH

*Closing Hymn: 603 "Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire"

*Closing Litany+:

Almighty God, we give you thanks for the place of our rich tradition among the churches which comprise the Body of Christ.

With all your people throughout creation, give us a new vision, new love, new wisdom,

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and fresh understanding, that we may serve you more fully; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Charles Yrigoyen, U.S.A., 20th cent., alt.)

*Extinguishing of Candles and Postlude/Going Forth

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^{*}Indicates the people standing, if able and willing