



Abney Street
Church of God

.....*A Christ Centered Church*.....

Rev. Jack A.C. Lawrence, Pastor

June 4, 2017

Holy Spirit, blow through our hearts and set us on fire for you!



CALL TO WORSHIP: "Revelation Song"

PASTORAL WELCOME

HYMN #252: "Love Devine, All Loves Excelling"

SPECIAL MUSIC: Bud Roberts

OUR WORSHIP IN GIVING

HYMN #357: "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

PASTORAL PRAYER

CHORAL SELECTION: "God Of Our Fathers"

CHILDREN DISMISSED TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH
(age 4 1/2 to start of 4th grade)

COMMUNION

HYMN 267: "Spirit Holy"

MESSAGE: "Pentecost Sunday: Holy Spirit: Counselor; Comforter; Teacher; Guide"
John 14:15-18; Joh 15:26-27; John 16:13-15

HYMN OF RESPONSE #265: "Spirit of the Living God"

BENEDICTION

Today God Is First

A FRESH LOOK AT PENTECOST

Fifty days after Jesus' resurrection, on a day called Pentecost, the Christian church was born. Because Pentecost was a holiday celebrating the harvest (a bit like our Thanksgiving), the apostles and a large crowd had gathered to celebrate in Jerusalem.

Many people had assembled near Peter and the other followers of Christ when "From heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind..."(Acts 2:2, NRSV). Then tongues of fire descended on everyone in the crowd.

After the wind and fire descended, all sorts of languages, known and unknown, came out o the crowd. Each person spoke about God's deeds of power" (verse 11). No wonder Luke wrote, "all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?'" (verse 12).

The whole affair was mind-boggling and life-changing. The Holy Spirit had come upon many people; they knew God was powerfully at work in their midst.

On Pentecost many years ago, some 3,000 people came to believe in Christ. That's why today Christians remember this powerful event as the birthday of the church.



Good Morning! Welcome to worship on this day of Pentecost! We celebrate the birth of the church and the ongoing work of the Holy Spirit as we worship today!

June 4-10, 2017



WEDNESDAY

10:00 a.m.

Ladies Prayer Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Adult Bible Study, Youth Fellowship, Children's Music and Bible Clubs



June 11th - August 20th

UPCOMING EVENTS



JUNE 14 - Choir Practice

JUNE 21 - Choir Practice

JUNE 30 - Children's Home Society collection ends

JULY 23 - Banner Offering taken

JULY 24-28 - Rippling Waters Camp Meeting