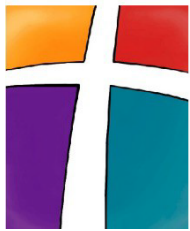


PENTECOST SUNDAY
NEW CHURCH
SABBATICAL BEGINS



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chiesa nuova, united church of christ

June 8, 2025
11:00 am CDT

We are the newchurch – the *Chiesa Nuova* – who gather and are gathered as an intentional, Christian community seeking to follow in the Way of Jesus.

CHIMING THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP

Invocation

Words and music by Christopher Grundy

Hear us God for we are ... praying.
Hear us God for we are ... laughing in our joy.
Hear us God for we are ... crying out to you.
Wondering ... what will be, what will be?

Speak to us God for we are ... listening.
Speak to us God for we are ... waiting for Your voice.
Speak to us God ... in our hearts and all around.
Tell us ... what can be, what can be.

WELCOME

Rev. Monica Bradley

♦ PRAYER OF GATHERING

♦ SONG OF PRAISE

Rest on Us

Words and music by Brandon Lake, Elyssa Smith, Harvest Bashta, Jonathan Jay, Rebekah White and Tony Brown

VERSE 1

AS THE SPIRIT WAS MOVING OVER THE WATER,
IT AGAIN.

SPIRIT COME MOVE OVER US
IN.

COME REST ON US, COME REST ON US

VERSE 2

FIRE AND WIND COME AND DO

OPEN UP THE GATES LET HEAVEN ON

COME REST ON US, COME REST ON US.

CHORUS

COME DOWN SPIRIT WHEN YOU MOVE,
YOU MAKE MY HEART POUND.
WHEN YOU FILL THE ROOM,
YOU'RE HERE, AND WE KNOW YOU ARE MOVING.
WE'RE HERE, AND WE KNOW YOU WILL FILL US.

FIRST LESSON

Acts 2 1-21

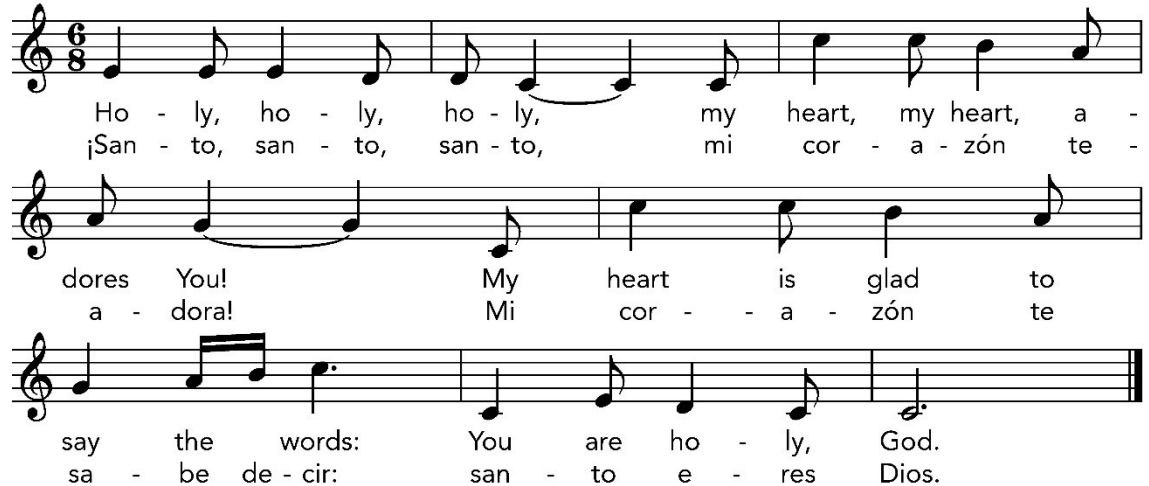
Rev. Dr. Jo Hudson

CONFESSION

SONG OF PRAYER

Santo, Santo, Santo

Words and Music Traditional



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart, a -
San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zón te -
dores You! My heart is glad to
a - dora! Mi cor - a - zón te
say the words: You are ho - ly, God.
sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Dios.

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INVITATION

Unison Prayer for Confession

One: Let us pray.

All: Risen Jesus, You send your Spirit to rattle our windows, and we call for repairs. You long to set us free from our hiding places, but we try our best to cling to the familiar. You want to create Your Beloved Community with all of us, but we hold tight to grudges and keep highlighting our difference. So, we humbly ask that you have mercy on us, show us your way of love and help us to walk in it, and come to us now, Eternal Holy Spirit and inhabit our lives and hearts. Amen.

The Silence is Kept

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Hear the Good News. Not with judgment, The Spirit comes to us with forgiveness. Not with angry words, the Spirit comes to us with grace. Not with a sentence of shame, the Spirit comes to us with sanctifying love.

All: The Advocate comes to remind us that we are forgiven, filled with new life, and sent out to share this Good News today and every day. Thanks be to God! Amen!

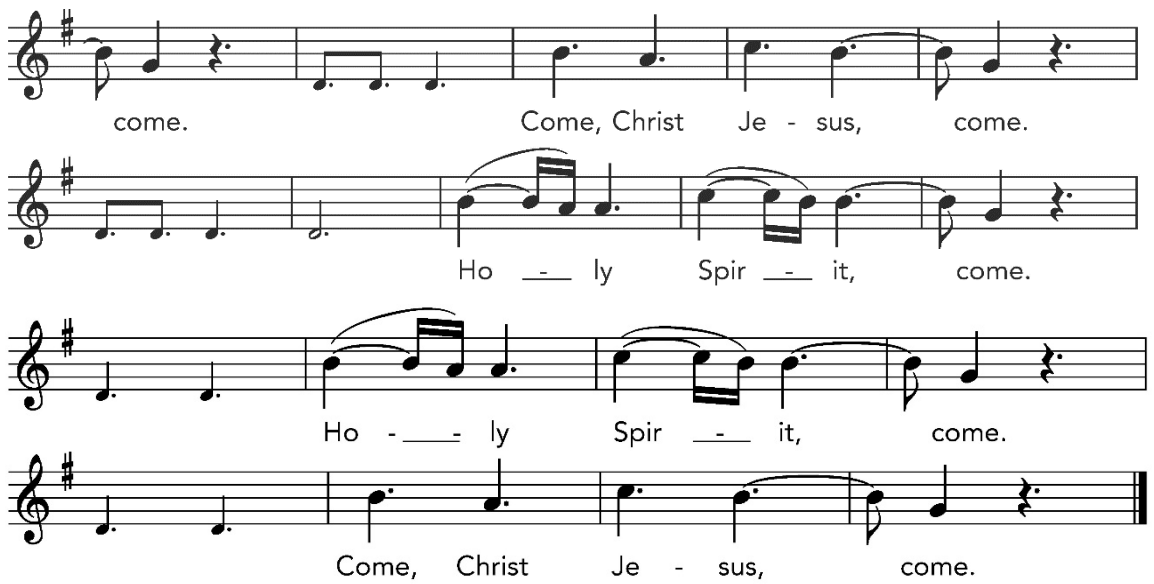
SONG OF PREPARATION

All Who Are Thirsty

Words and Music by Brenton Brown and Glenn Roberts

The musical score is written for a single voice part on a treble clef staff. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 6/8. The melody is simple and melodic, with many rests. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score consists of eight lines of music.

All who are thirst __ y, All who are __ weak,
come to the foun _ tain. Dip your heart in the stream of
life. Let all pain and all sor _ row, be washed a - way
in the waves of God's mer-cy as deep cries out to
deep. _ (We sing) Come, Christ Je - sus, come.
Come, Christ Je - sus, come. Come, Christ
Je - sus, come. Come, Christ Je - sus,



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✦Gospel John 15. 12-17

Rev. Betsy Stibbens

One: A reading from the Gospel According to John. Jesus continued praying, saying,

All: "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I have taught you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the teacher is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Abba, who is God in heaven. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that my Abba will give you whatever you ask for in my name. I am giving you these teachings so that you may love one another."

One: May God bless the reading and hearing of this ancient, holy word.

MESSAGE

Imagination to Realization

Revs. Jo Hudson & Monica Bradley

HOLY COMMUNION

The Story
The Blessing
The Invitation
The Sharing

The Song

Be Thou My Vision/Will You Guide Me

Words & Music Traditional Irish Hymn Additional Words & Music by Adam Lancaster

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Be thou my Vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all Rich - es I - heed not, nor life's emp - ty praise, thou my in - else to me, save that thou art: Thou my best - thought, by her - i - tance now and al - ways: Thou and thou - on - ly, day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pre - sence my first in my heart, great God of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou light. art. Will you guide me when I can't see? Please, Lord, lead me; You're all that I need. Will you guide me 1. when I can't see? Please, Lord, lead me; You're all that I

We serve communion by intinction – at the ushers' guidance, you are invited to come forward where you will be served a piece of bread. You are invited to then dip the bread in the cup, which contains grape juice, and receive the two elements together. Gluten-free bread is also available.

The musical score continues on a single staff in treble clef, with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "when I can't see? Please, Lord, lead me; You're all that I

The Lord's Prayer (using "kin-dom" and "sins")

Our God, in heaven, holy be Your name. Your kin-dom come. Your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kin-dom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

COMMUNITY REMINDERS

LITANY FOR THE NEW CHURCH SABBATICAL

Hebrew Scripture

Ecclesiastes 3.1-8

Declaration of Intent

Thanksgiving for the Ministry of New Church

Rite of Passage to New Forms of Ministry

Charge to the Congregation

A New Creed

One: As we come to the end, let us confess our faith together.

All: We are not alone. We live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

One: And let all the people of God say ... Amen!

✦ BLESSING

newchurch Guiding Scripture:

Seek first the realm of God and God's righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Matthew 6:33

✦ SONG OF PARTING

Goodness O God

Words and Music by Jenn Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Ben Fielding and Brian Johnson

The musical score is written on five staves in 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, using eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the notes.

All our lives You have been faith - ful.

All our lives you have been so, so good.

With ev-'ry breath that we are a - ble we will sing

of Your good - ness O God.

We will sing of Your good-ness O God.

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✦ SHARING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

Many: **And, also with you.**

One: Let us exchange words and gestures of peace as we
deport

✦ DISMISSAL

STAY INVOLVED

6/08

11:00am
12:15 pm

Pentecost Sunday

ON SITE & ONLINE WORSHIP
Let's Do Lunch — Velvet Taco, Greenville Avenue

6/11

6:33pm
link

Online Book Club

Email info@thenewchurch.com to confirm time and obtain

6/17

6:33pm
location

Theology on Tap

Email info@thenewchurch.com to confirm time and

6/29

9:00am

Sunday of Service

Email monica.bradley@tcu.edu to confirm meeting time and location



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SAVE THE DATE

New Church Re-Launch
Justice & Jazz Vespers
Sunday, September 21,
2025

5:00 pm CDT

Onsite in the Sanctuary
&
Online