

**Balzac Pastoral Charge
of the United Church of Canada
Sunday May 19, 2024 Pentecost Sunday
Minister: Rev. Kelly Grittner
Music Ministry: Dr. Alex Shawn and Lee Downan**

Prelude *The Light of the World Is Jesus* arr. M. Hayes

Welcoming and Land Acknowledgement

“As we gather together, let us pause to remember that we live, work and worship on lands that are, by law, the unceded territories of the nations of Treaty 7. As Christ’s people, may we be people of love, of truth, and of reconciliation. May we live with respect on this land, and in peace and friendship with its people.”

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The Holy Spirit present with us here today is the same Spirit that motivated the disciples 2000 years ago...

Let the light of this candle ignite the Spirit within us.

Invocation

Spirit of Life

VU 381

Call To Worship

Come and see, the Holy Spirit is here:
the wild wind
who blows away our doubts and fears;
the warm fire
who sets our hearts ablaze;
the one who remains with us forever.

**Come and worship God our maker,
who has sent the Spirit to guide us
and give us comfort.**

**Come let us worship God,
Parent, Son and Spirit.**

Opening Prayer

**Amazing God,
you call us today,
just as you called the disciples**

**on the Day of Pentecost.
You challenge and support us,
...revealing the brokenness of our communities;
giving us the peace that our world needs.
You point us to the pain of the cross,
and remind us of the joy of the resurrection.
Transform us, O God,
through the power of your Holy Spirit.
Help us breathe deeply of the Breath of Life.
Blow through our worship
and change our lives forever.
Amen.**

Hymn *Though I May Speak* VU 372

Sharing Of Our Story – Acts 2 : 1-21

Reflection "Getting Our Second Wind"

Hymn *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* VU 575

Presentation Of The Offering

Offertory Response *What Can I Do? MV 191 Verse 1*

Dedication Of The Offering

**Loving God, we express our thanksgiving through these offerings.
May they further the work in the church, the community, and
beyond.
Amen**

Prayers Of The People & The Lords Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven.
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we
forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen**

Hymn *I Feel the Winds of God* VU 625

Words Of Blessing

Spirit of wind and fire,
Spirit of mystery and promise,
Spirit of God, our Helper,

**blow at our backs,
breathe in our hearts,
be the energy for all we do
to spread love and justice.**

The blessing of God the Father,
God the Son and God the Holy Spirit,
the One who Mothers us all
be with you always.
Amen.

Postlude ***Hallelujah, What a Savior*** *arr. M. Hayes*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Quilt** - Fundraiser – Each ticket for the BUC Quilt fundraiser will be \$5, and all proceeds go to BUC. The winning ticket will be chosen within a raffle. **Tickets are available.** For individual purchase or a 10 pack to sell. Please see Victoria Walkes with any questions. Draw is October 6th 2024.
- **Snacks for Coffee Time** – Snacks wanted for our time for visiting after church! If you have a chance to bring some treats of any kind to donate to the church, please do! Many thanks!
- **BUC Information** - For BUC activities and information, check out our website at <https://balzacunitedchurch.com/>
- **Minister Contact Information** - If you want to talk to Kelly Grittner, call him at 403-219-3535.

First Third Ministry Corner 
Everything for our kids, youth & young adults
Led by Angela Wigglesworth

The email address for all Sunday school, youth and young adult programming for Balzac United Church is BUCfirstthirdministry@gmail.com. Please send all Sunday school and youth group correspondence to Angela through this new address. She is also available to chat on her cell number (587)229-3878.

- **There will be no Sunday school on Pentecost Sunday.** You can still enjoy the Holy Spirit's presence by flying kites, airplanes and other flying things with your family, or enjoying the flames of a campfire.

Upcoming events for Sunday school and youth group:

Thursday, June 6: last youth group for the year. 7-10 pm at the church.

Sunday, June 16: Happy Father's Day

Friday, June 21: National Indigenous Peoples Day, Kids-led service rehearsal 7-8:30 pm at the church. *Bring any costume pieces you need.

Sunday, June 23: Kids-led service, last day of Sunday school until September.