

Thought for Meditation: “Lectio Divina (literally divine reading) is a way of becoming immersed in the Scriptures very personally. It draws on the way Jews read the Haggadah, a text read during Passover that retells the Exodus story. Haggadah means ‘telling’ and along with being a physical text, the word captures the practice of telling and retelling a story. The Christian form of Lectio Divina was first introduced by St Gregory of Nyssa (c 330-395)...When we practice Lectio Divina, we can imagine we’re actually involved in the events of Scripture...”-Elizabeth Manneh

Prelude

Introspection by Carlos Salzedo

Linda-Rose Hembreiker**Welcome & Updates on Our Life Together****Pastor Phil Aijian****Moment with the Gideons****Frank Dambrosio****Call to Worship****Chisato Kanagi**

Elder: Jesus has risen!

People: And so shall we!

Elder: Today we remember Pentecost, the day the Church was born! Hallelujah! Let us worship God’s goodness, love, and mercy.

People: Let us worship our living, saving God! Let us sing praise to the Risen Messiah Jesus of Nazareth! Amen.**Praise Song**

Open My Eyes That I May See

Blue Hymnal #342**Call to Confession****Chisato Kanagi**

Elder: God, we need Your forgiveness. We need to confess to You our sins. Jesus, we pray that You help us grow.

People: Lord, may we grow in our vulnerability. May we be willing to praise You with our voices. May we more often see the new life You create amongst and in us daily!

Elder: As we are at Pentecost Sunday, fifty days after Easter, may we be filled by the Spirit with new gifts for sharing the love, mercy, and Good News of Jesus’ grace.

People: Jesus, may we be true witnesses to the Good News. May we remember and proclaim the Resurrection. Help us to be bold, brave, and humble.

Elder: Spirit, fill this place and fill our hearts. Help us proclaim on Pentecost! May we remember the new life that You give us.

Prayer of Confession**Chisato Kanagi****People: Jesus, help us to be moved by Your Spirit authentically. May we be vulnerable in worship, while we praise Jesus! May You help us to understand where we need to change and grow. Bring us back, closer to You and each other. Cast away all shame, resentment, and isolation from us, dear Lord. Jesus, we now share our silent, personal confessions with You.***(Silent personal confession)*

Assurance of Pardon**Chisato Kanagi**

Elder: Jesus has mercifully gifted us all with unending grace, love, and forgiveness of our sins.

People: Hallelujah! Let us sing the Good News! We are witnesses and followers of Jesus!

Elder: We are free, forgiven, transformed, and called because of Jesus! Let us praise God!!!

People: Jesus deserves all of our praise and songs! Let us share the Good News! Amen!

Gloria Patri - Glory Be to the Father***Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer*****Pastor Phil Aijian*****Anthem*****If Ye Love Me by Thomas Tallis****Chancel Choir*****Children's Message*****Youth Director Bryce Morrow*****Passing of the Peace***

Pastor Mary: May the peace of Christ be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Lectio Divina Lesson & Prayer Before Scripture**Pastor Mary****Scripture****Portions of Acts 2:1-36****Message****Proclaim on Pentecost****Presentation of Tithes and Offerings:**

Praise & Offering Song Contemplation by Mario Ruiz Armengol Linda-Rose Hembreiker

Doxology**Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow****Prayer of Dedication****Chisato Kanagi**

People: Dear God, may the sharing of our time, treasure, and talent be used for the Kin-dom of God. May we support justice, peace, and loving all of our neighbors.

May we give and serve to create and help foster the Kin-dom of God. Help us love You, ourselves, and each other. May Your Spirit fill us, our community, and our world. Let Your will be done. Amen.

Charge & Benediction**Pastor Mary****Postlude****Church Bells by Marcel Tournier****Linda-Rose Hembreiker**