

*Welcome to this service of worship. As Jesus Christ welcomes each one of us, we hope you sense the friendly welcome of this congregation of God's people. We light the Peace Candle to stand as a beacon of hope, calling us and all the world from darkness to light, from violence to peace.*

[\*]If you are comfortable doing so, it is appropriate to stand.  
**Bold type** signifies congregational response.

### WE GATHER IN JESUS' NAME

PRELUDE *Come Holy Ghost, Our Lord and God* Buxtehude

WELCOME

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Where can we go from your spirit, O God?  
**Even in the darkest depths, you are with us.**  
If I flee to the ends of the earth,  
**Your hand will hold me fast.**  
Search me, O God, and know my heart.  
**Lead me in your everlasting way.**

\* HYMN #478 *Praise, My Soul the King of Heaven*

\*PRAYER OF PRAISE

**Amazing God, you call us today, just as you called the disciples on that first day of Pentecost. You challenge us and support us, as we seek to build inclusive communities of faith. Transform us, O Lord, through the power of your holy spirit. Blow through our worship and our lives, that we might speak of your grace and work for your justice. Amen.**

\*PRAYER RESPONSE #576 *Gloria, Gloria*

**Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!  
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!**

### WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

(Children and teachers may be excused to their classes)

ANTHEM *To Know You More* Horness

To know you in all of your glory, to love you with all that I am. With all of my heart, Lord, this is my prayer:  
To know you more.

To know you in all of your power to trust you with all that I am. With all of my heart, Lord, this is my prayer:  
To know you more.

To know you in all of your mercy, to serve you with all that I am. With all of my heart, Lord, this is my prayer:  
To know you more.

SCRIPTURE Acts 2:1-21 Pew Bible NT p. 118

MESSAGE "Who ARE all these people?" Rev. Feroe

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\* HYMN # 319 *Spirit*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER  
*The Lord's Prayer is found on the top of page 16 of the Hymnal, traditional version using "debts" and "debtors"*

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Sing A New Song* Schutte

*Refrain: Sing a new song unto the Lord; let your song be sung from mountain high. Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing, "Alleluia."*

Yahweh's people dance for you. O come before the Lord. And play for him on glad tambourines, and let your trumpet sound. *Refrain.*

Rise, O children, from your sleep; your Savior now has come. He has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song. *Refrain.*

Glad my soul for I have seen the glory of the Lord. The trumpet sounds, the dead shall be raised. I know my Savior lives. *Refrain.*

RESPONSE #244 *Let Us With A Gladsome Mind*

**Let us with a gladsome mind praise the Lord who is so kind: For God's mercies shall endure, ever faithful, ever sure.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Mighty God of wind and flame, take our hearts and set them on fire. Take our lives and transform them with your presence. Take our church and resurrect it with your life-giving spirit. Take our gifts and use them to fulfill your vision of peace and unity. Amen.**

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*HYMN #131 *Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

The God who made this amazing world,  
**Is making us new each day.**  
The spirit that blew through that upper room,  
**Is blowing through our lives.**  
Go in peace, and be transformed,  
**That we might change the world! Amen.**

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CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #438  
*Blessed Be the Tie that Binds*

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love: the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

POSTLUDE *O Spirit Divine, Our God and Our Lord* Fischer

#### SERVICE

**Flowers:** The flowers are given today by Yaa, Frank and Nii Sykes in Loving Memory of Yaa's parents, Mr. & Mrs. Okoampa-Ahoofe.  
**Liturgist:** Keith Rhoden, Jr.  
**Greeters:** The Spears Family.  
**Ushers:** Rusty Spears, Michael Adzenyah, Sherry Marchant, Joan Grant.



Members, friends, and visitors are invited to join us as our guests for refreshments and fellowship in Hodge Hall immediately following worship. **Bill & Marian Cooke** are hosting today.

*This is a welcoming Church, embracing sisters and brothers without regard to age, race, ethnic background, sexual orientation, family status, economic situation or theological viewpoint. We want our visitors to feel a part of the family. "Following the risen Christ, and seeking to make the Church a true community of hospitality, the mission of More Light Presbyterians is to work for the full participation of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people of faith in the life, ministry and witness of the Presbyterian Church (USA)."*

There is a variety of materials near the entrance to acquaint you with the Church. We encourage you to sign the guest book in the entry and to use the yellow card in the pews to register your tendance and enable us to add you to our newsletter mailing list. Please place yellow cards in the offering plates.

All of our services and activities are open to non-members.

*Offering Envelopes* are available in the pews for the convenience of those who may have forgotten their assigned envelope or for those who wish to use an envelope for a cash gift. If you wish your contribution to be used for a specific cause, please indicate that on the envelope.

#### ASSISTED LISTENING SYSTEM AVAILABLE

Anyone who has difficulty in hearing and understanding the service is encouraged to use the assisted listening system. This is a wireless system so users can sit anywhere in the sanctuary. Receivers are available near the entrance to the sanctuary. Many of you have used a similar system at the Bushnell or Hartford Stage.



**During the service:** we provide Nursery Care in the Buchanan Room for children up to age 4. An usher will direct you to the location. Shannon Hopkins is the nursery director and Augusta Jara is the assistant. For safety's sake, please have a responsible adult drop off and pick up your child.

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Russell Feroe, Interim Pastor.  
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Office Hours: M – F 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM  
(Closed 12:00 – 1:00 PM).

We are a member church of the Presbyterian Church USA), Synod of the Northeast, Presbytery of Southern New England.



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**136 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT**  
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**10:30 AM**  
**Sunday, May 23, 2010**