



Providence Church

A Reformed Evangelical Congregation

THE LORD'S SERVICE

May 23rd, 2021

Pentecost Sunday

In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, we at Providence Church open wide our doors and welcome all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; all who mourn and long for comfort; all who struggle and desire victory; all who sin and need the Savior; all who are strangers and want fellowship; all who hunger and thirst for righteousness; all who are poor in spirit and desire the riches of the gospel; all who will come to Jesus Christ in living faith and repentance, looking to Him as both Liberator and Lord.

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From Heaven, O Praise the LORD

From Psalm 148

1. ¹From heav'n, O praise the LORD; Ye heights, His glo - ry raise. ²All an - gels, LORD;

2. ⁵Yea, let them glo - rious make Je - ho - vah's match - less name; For when the

3. ⁷*From earth, oh, praise the LORD, Ye deeps and all be - low,* ⁸*Wild winds that*

4. ¹¹Let all the peo - ple praise, And kings of ev - 'ry land; Let all their

5. Je - ho - vah's name be praised A - bove the earth and sky. ¹⁴For He His

praise ac - cord; Let all His host give praise. ³Praise Him on high, Sun, word He spake, They in - to be - ing came. ⁶And from that place Where *do His word, Ye clouds, fire, hail and snow;* ⁹*Ye moun - tains high, Ye* voic - es raise Who judge and give com - mand. ¹²By young and old, By saints has raised And set their pow'r on high. Him praise ac - cord, O

¹¹moon, and star, Sun, moon, and star, ⁴Ye heav'ns a - far, And cloud - y sky. fixed they be, Where fixed they be, By His de - cree They can - not pass. *ce - dars tall, Ye ce - dars tall,* ¹⁰*Beasts great and small, And birds that fly.* maid and youth, By maid and youth, ¹³His name in truth Should be ex - tolled. Is - rael's race, O Is - rael's race, Near to His grace. Praise ye the LORD!

Music: Horatio R. Palmer (1834–1907)

Text: *Trinity Psalter*, 1994 ©

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GOD IS RENEWING HIS COVENANT WITH HIS PEOPLE
GOD CALLS US AND CLEANSSES US

Prelude:

Mrs. Laura Scott

Exhortation

Being Present in Growth

Processional Psalm (Please Stand):

Psalm 148, From Heaven, O Praise the Lord

Call to Worship

Pastor: Let us worship God, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 18:20; 28:19

People: Amen

Salutation: The Lord be with you!

Ruth 2:4

People: And also with you!

Pastor: I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" *Psalm 122:1-2*

People: Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord!

People: Maker of Heaven and Earth!

Pastor: Dearly beloved brethren, if we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Therefore, I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of heavenly grace.

Pastor: Come, let us worship and bow down!

People: And kneel before the Lord our Maker. *(Let all who are able kneel)* *Psalm 95:6*

Pastor: Most merciful God,

All: In whom we live and move and have our being, our heavenly Father, your face is hidden from us because of our sins. Cleanse us, we pray, from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. Grant that we may, in lowliness and meekness, draw near to you. Confessing our faults and confiding in your grace, we look for your grace and mercy through Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

(Continue Kneeling for Silent Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

(Rise and Hear the Good News of God's Forgiveness)

Pastor: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. On this day know surely your sins are forgiven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Acts 13:38

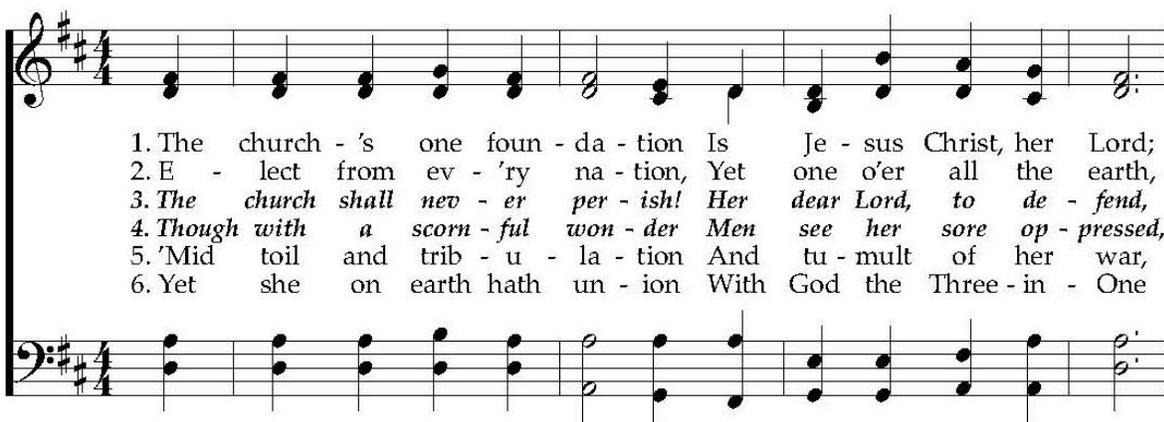
**All: Thanks be to God. Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name.
Amen!**

Hymn of Faith

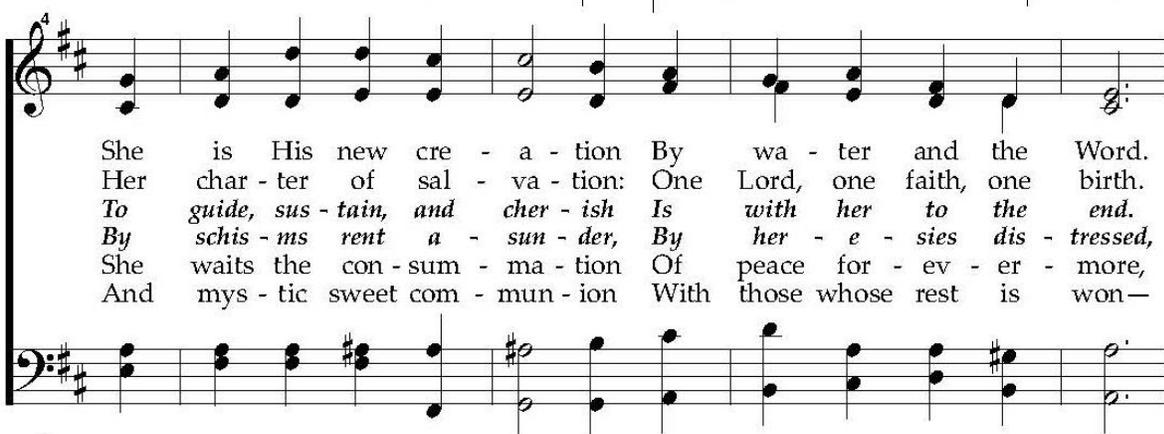
People: Amen

The Church's One Foundation

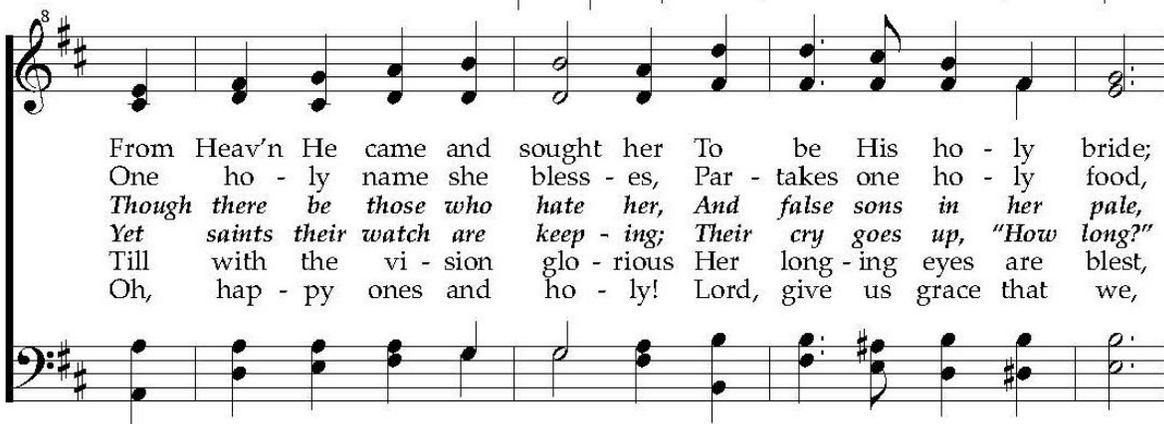
The Church's One Foundation



1. The church - 's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
 2. E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth,
 3. *The church shall nev - er per - ish! Her dear Lord, to de - fend,*
 4. *Though with a scorn - ful won - der Men see her sore op - pressed,*
 5. 'Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war,
 6. Yet she on earth hath un - ion With God the Three - in - One



She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.
 Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
To guide, sus - tain, and cher - ish Is with her to the end.
By schis - ms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis - tressed,
 She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more,
 And mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion With those whose rest is won -



From Heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,
Though there be those who hate her, And false sons in her pale,
Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"
 Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,
 Oh, hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we,



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
 And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
A - gainst the foe or trai - tor She ev - er shall pre - vail.
And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song!
 And the great church vic - to - rious Shall be the church at rest.
 Like them, the meek and low - ly, On high may dwell with Thee.

GOD CONSECRATES AND RAISES US UP TO HEAVEN

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

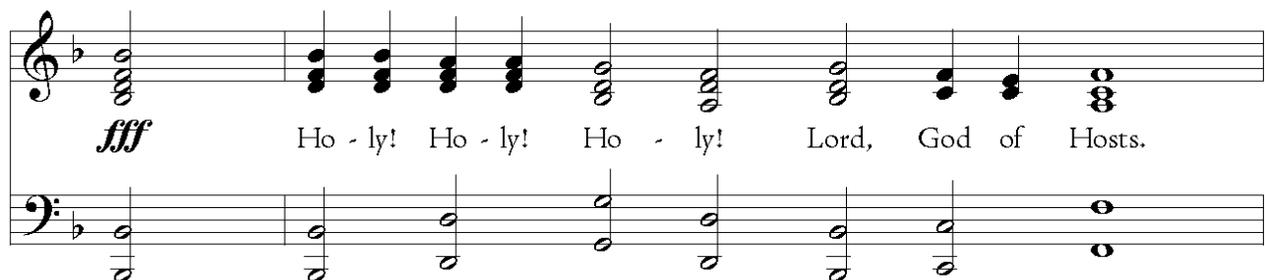
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

People: It is proper and right to do so.

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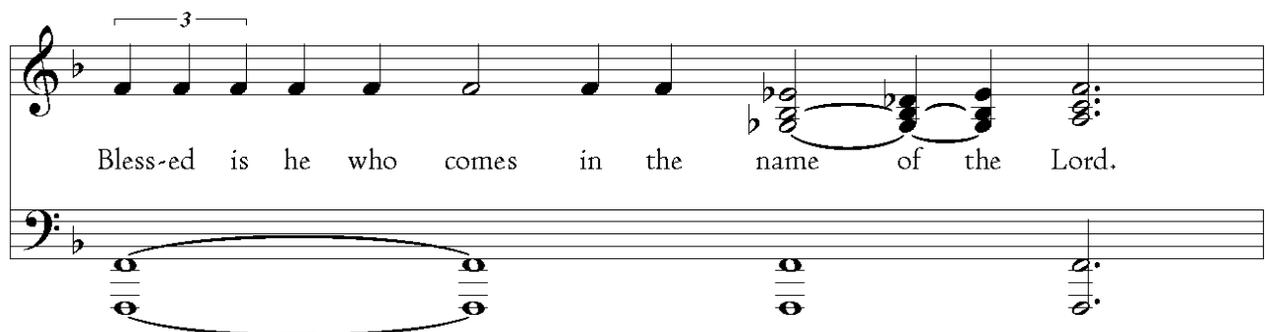
Pastor: Truly it is fitting, right, wholesome and beneficial that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to You O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, with all the company of heaven, and with all the Church on earth, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



fff Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Lord, God of Hosts.



Hea-ven and earth are full of Your glo-ry! Ho-san-na in the High - est!



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the High - - - est!

Pastor: Praise Yah!

People: Hállelu-Yah!

Praise Yahweh from the heavens:

Praise Him in the heights!

Praise Him, all His angels!

Praise Him, all His hosts!

Praise Him, sun and moon!

Praise Him, all shining stars!

Praise Him, heavens of heavens,

And the waters that are above the heavens!

Let them praise Yahweh's name,

For He commanded and they were created.

He has also established them forever, everlastingly.

He gave a decree and it will not pass away.

Praise Yahweh from the earth:

Sea monsters and all deeps,

Fire and hail,

Snow and clouds,

Stormy wind,

Fulfilling His word;

Mountains and all hills,

Fruit trees and all cedars;

Beasts and all cattle,

Swarming things and winged birds;

Kings of the earth and all peoples,

Princes and all judges of the earth,

Both young men and virgins,

Old men and children.

Let them praise Yahweh's name,

For exalted is His name alone.

His majesty is above earth and heaven,

And He has lifted up a horn for His people,

Praise for all His beloved ones,

For the sons of Israel, a people near to Him.

Praise Yah!

All: Hállelu-Yah!

CONFESSION OF THE NICENE CREED

(Please Remain Standing)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND SUNG LORD'S PRAYER

Please respond at the end of each section:

Pastor: Father, hear our prayer!

People: For Your steadfast love endures forever!

The Lord's Prayer

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal-low-ed be Thy name, Thy king - dom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread,

and for - give us our debts, as we for - give our debt - ors,

and lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

For thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er, and the glo - ry for - ev - er. A - men!

READING OF GOD'S WORD

(Please Stand)

New Covenant Reading:

Exodus 31:1-11

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Covenant Reading:

Acts 2:1-13; 42-47

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading in the Midst of the People:

John 16:1-15

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Faith:

Immortal, Invisible, God-Only Wise

People: Amen

SERMON

Pastor: Dr. Uri Brito

Title: What Pentecost Produced in God's People (Outline on last page)

Text: Acts 2:1-13; 42-47

OFFERTORY

(Ex. 23:15; 34:20; Dt. 16:16)

Pastor: Let us worship God with our tithes and offerings.

Hymn of Response:

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

People: Amen

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3. To all, life Thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
 In all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;

Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 Thy just - ice, like moun - tains, high soar - ing a - bove
 We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; oh, help us to see

Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
 Thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 And with - er and per - ish— but naught chang - eth Thee.
 'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee!

Music: John Roberts, *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839
 Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867

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Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
 3 Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King;
 4 Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh.
 5 Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love,

wean it from earth; through all its puls - es move;
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
 all, all thine own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
 Teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear,
 one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;

stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as thou art,
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no o - pening skies;
 I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling.
 to check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el sigh.
 the bap - tism of the heaven - de - scend - ed Dove,

and make me love thee as I ought to love.
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 O let me seek thee, and O let me find!
 Teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
 my heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame.

This reflection on Galatians 5:25 was written by a literary Anglican clergyman whose preaching drew people of many social classes to one of the formerly poorer London churches. The tune was created for "Abide with Me" (no. 836) but more often appears with the present text.

Offertory Prayer:

Pastor: Christians, how do you respond to our Lord?

People: We give only what the Lord has first given to us.

We present ourselves as living sacrifices,

And we offer the sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving.

We cheerfully give these tithes and offerings

In obedience to the Lord, for the glory of His Name,

The health of the Church, and for the sake of the world. Amen.

GOD COMMUNES WITH US

The Lord's Supper is observed every Sunday as the climax of covenant renewal worship. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to the Session of this local church that you are in covenant with God as an active member of a congregation in which the Gospel is faithfully confessed. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to one of the pastors before or after the service.

Passing of the Bread: (**"The Lord be with you" "The Lord bless you"**)

Passing of the Wine: (**"The Peace of Christ be with you" "And also with you"**)

Congregational Response: **Gloria Patri**

(Please Stand with Hands Raised)

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end,

A-men, A-men.

GOD COMMISSIONS US

The Lord's Commission:

Matthew 28:18-20

Pastor: Our mouths will speak the praise of the Lord!

People: Let all flesh bless His holy name forever and ever. AMEN!

Psalm 145:21

Closing Hymn:

Rise Again, Ye Lion Hearted

People: Amen!

Benediction:

Numbers 6:24-26

Threefold Amen

Pastor: Go in peace to love and to serve our Risen Lord!

All: Amen!

Rise Again, Ye Lion-Hearted

1. Rise a - gain ye li - on heart - ed Saints of ear - ly Chris - ten - dom.
 2. These the men by fear un - shak - en, Fac - ing dan - ger daunt - less - ly;
 3. Great of heart, they know no turn - ing, Hon - or, gold, they laugh to scorn;
 4. Would to God that I might e - ven As the mar - tyred saints of old,

Whith - er is your strength de - part - ed, Whith - er gone your mar - tyr - dom?
 These no witch - ing lust hath tak - en, Lust that lures to van - i - ty.
 Quench de - sires with - in them burn - ing, By no earth - ly pas - sion torn.
 With the help - ing hand of Heav - en, Stead - fast stand in bat - tle bold!

Lo, love's light is on them, Glo - ry's flame up - on them,
 'Mid the roar and rat - tle Of tu - mul - tuous bat - tle
 'Mid the li - on's roar - ing Songs of praise out - pour - ing,
 O my God, I pray Thee, In the com - bat stay me.

And their will to die doth quell E'en the lord and prince of hell.
 In de - sire they soar a - bove All that earth would have them love.
 Joy - ous - ly they take their stand On th'a - re - na's blood - y sand.
 Grant that I may ev - er be Loy - al, staunch, and true to Thee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events

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| Today | Pentecost Picnic | Join us after worship for food and fellowship |
| 02 June | Vespers | 5:30pm Pizza and Salad following Word and Prayer |
| 5 Jun | Baby Shower | For Lydia Slaughter. She is having her first boy. Event at the home of Brenda Stout from 1- 3pm |
| 5 Jun | Mother/Daughter Shower | Mother/Daughter Bridal Shower for Allison Funches. This will be a brunch. 10-12 at the Heifners'. Look for details in your e-mail. |
| 26 Jun | Ladies' Bridal Shower | Annamarie McCurdy, Gavin Franzone's fiancé. 10am at Pauline Smith's home. 4113 Snapper Ave Milton, FL. |

Text: Acts 2:1-13; 42-47

Outline:

The Ascension of Jesus was a very public announcement, but it was given to a particular group of people, his disciples. But Pentecost is a worldwide event, we could say. Pentecost took place in the midst of people from every nation and tongue. Galileans, Parthians, and Elamites, Oh my! The resurrection was grand, but Pentecost takes this to a whole new level of publicity. Pentecost would have made front-page news in the whole world. Fire, the mighty rushing wind, divided tongues, people filled with the Spirit, different people from different tongues hearing everyone else speak in their own language: talk about the news! And to top it off, 3,000 souls were baptized. This is a kind of earth-shattering event!

Today, we will consider not the performative nature of Pentecost (wind, fire, tongues) but the productivity of Pentecost, namely through gifts of the Word, Fellowship, and Table.

I. The Lord and the Giver of Life

II. The Holy Spirit as Person

III. An Important Distinction: The Performance of Pentecost and the Productivity of Pentecost

- a. Pentecost's Spectacle and Pentecost's Fruit
- b. Pentecost's Fire indicates New Creation

IV. Pentecost Produces Christians Devoted to Preaching, to Fellowship, and to the Table

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Providence Church is a member of the Communion of Reformed Evangelical Churches (CREC),
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