

First United Methodist Church of Saginaw  
CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE IN THE STYLE OF TAIZÉ  
June 5, 2024 7:00 p.m.

-----The beginning of the service will be denoted by the ringing of a bell.-----

Song: "COME, O HOLY SPIRIT, COME"

-w/m Traditional Yoruba, translated by I-to Loh, c1995 General Board of Global Ministries

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The first system is marked 'All' and 'Leader'. The lyrics are: 'Come, O Ho - ly Spir - it, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.' The second system has the lyrics: 'Come, al - might - y Spir - it, come, al - might - y Spir - it, come.' The third system has the lyrics: 'Come, come, come, O Spir - it, come.'

Scripture: John 14: 26-27

The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you... Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

# Responsive Reading – by Judy Judd, from “Prayers and Readings For Worship”

Please read the lines in ALL CAPS.

L: Spirit, you are alive in me.

P: *AND SOMETIMES I'M AFRAID.*

L: Spirit, you nudge me. You whisper in my ear. You blow around me, urging me to action.

P: *AND SOMETIMES I'M AFRAID.*

L: Spirit, you are alive in me. You are always here, always moving, always calling. And I am unaware.

P: *AND SOMETIMES I'M AFRAID.*

L: Afraid of the task. Afraid of caring. Afraid of responsibility. Afraid of myself.

P: *SPIRIT, YOU ARE ALIVE IN ME.*

L: I will let you lead me. I will hear you call me, and I will journey with you, even when I'm afraid.

P: *SPIRIT, YOU ARE ALIVE IN ME, AND I AM ALIVE IN YOU.*

Silence (2 minutes)

## Song: “THE SPIRIT IS MOVING IN MY HEART” – w/m by Kathy Galloway, c 2003



The Spir - it is mov - ing in my heart; (my heart) The Spir - it is mov - ing in my

heart; It's mov - ing me to love and share, to

work for free - dom ev - ery - where; the Spir - it is mov - ing in my heart.

## Scripture: John 3:8

The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the spirit.

## Reading – *Wind*, by Steven Garnaas Holmes, [www.unfoldinglight.net](http://www.unfoldinglight.net)

Wind of God, blow me where you will. Fill my sails. Be my course.  
Raise my anchor, holding so fast. Cut the lines that tie me to the dock.  
Your deep breathing and laboring love birth me through this canal of life into life.  
Lead me to a place I can't name, can't control, can't choose first.  
Even if the strange place is within, the foreign land my neighbor.  
Spirit, my wind on the baptismal water, give me courage to be blown off course,  
with love, abandon my ego's maps. Breathe me into the New World,  
you, my ship, my captain, my natal sea, my breath, the only place I hope to go.

## Song: "HOLY SPIRIT, COME TO US"

-w/m by Jacques Berthier, c1998 Ateliers et Presses de Taïze, Taïze Community, France

Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us, kin - dle in us the fire of your love.—

Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us, Ho - ly Spir - it, come to us.

## Prayer – *Pastor Amy Terhune*

Silence (10 minutes)

# Song: "I'M GOIN' A SING WHEN THE SPIRIT SAYS SING"

-African American Spiritual, adapted by William Farley Smith, c1989 United Methodist Publishing House

1. I'm goin' - a sing\* when the Spir - it says sing, I'm goin' - a  
sing when the Spir - it says sing, I'm goin' - a sing when the Spir - it says  
sing, and o - bey the Spir - it of the Lord.

## Benediction — "Into the World Singing" by Dawn Skjei Cooley, [uua.org](http://uua.org)

Let us go out into the world singing.  
Let us go out into the world singing songs that proclaim liberty.  
Songs that turn ashes into garlands. Songs that bind up the afflicted and those who mourn.  
Songs that, like oaks, have roots that go deep and stand strong.  
Let us go out into the world singing. We know these songs.  
They vibrate through time, in our very souls. They are the songs that give us life.  
They are the songs that give us meaning. They are the songs that give us purpose.  
Now it is our turn, to take these life-giving songs out into the world.  
Let us go now — singing these songs with voices deep and strong.  
And may the world join us in praise and in celebration and in love. Amen.

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