The Institution Narrative: The Lord's Prayer: Invitation To The Table: (leader) Distribution Of The Elements: Prayer Following Communion:

Hymn: Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

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#### Commissioning:

- L: Companions on the journey, leave now and go to other places where Christ's love and joy are equally near. Receive the bread of life that is offered to you and be the broken bread of life to others.
- P: We will go out in simplicity, joy and compassion, carrying the peace of Christ to all we meet.

Choral Benediction: The Lord Bless You

**Organ Postlude:** 



Servers:

Head Usher: Greeters:

Sheilah Beckett

Barbara Butt

Ushers:

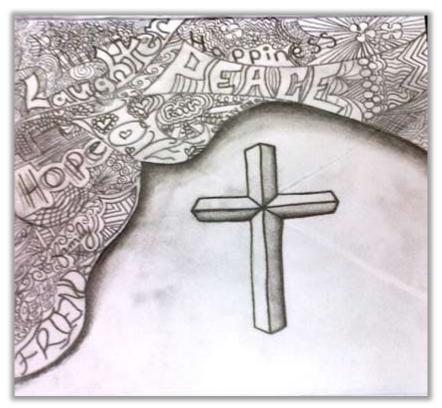
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May 27, 2011 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Sunday

Minister:	Rev. Bill Bartlett
C.E. Lay Minister:	Susan Sheppard
Minister of Visitation:	Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
Organist/Sr. Choir Director:	Dr. Philip Roberts
Assistant Organist:	Allan Morgan

#### **Organ Prelude:**

Welcome:

Introit: Love the Lord Your God

Call To Worship: (responsive)

- L: The breath of the Pentecost Spirit flows through our church
- P: and calls us to worship with joy and enthusiasm.
- L: The tongues of Pentecostal fire anoint us as we praise and pray,
- P: and call us to give from the depth of our being for the way of Jesus Christ.
- L: The fellowship spirit of the first Christian church inspires us as we worship, and join with the confirmands in the renewal of our Baptismal faith,
- P: and we rejoice that we can find friendship in our faith community and support one another.
- L: The willing spirit of the new Christians to work and share touches us in our gathering,
- P: and the Spirit in action will be our Holy Companion when we return to the life of the world.
- L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Profession Of Faith and Promises: Congregational Commitment: Let us pledge to these persons our continued support and care:

We will continue to support you, walk with you, and grow with you. With God's help, we will live out our baptism as a loving community in Jesus Christ: nurturing one another in faith, upholding one another in prayer, encouraging one another in God's work.

Affirmation Of Faith: A New Creed

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Blessing and Pouring of Water Laying on of Hands Presentation of Bibles and Certificates

#### Prayer for the Candidates: (unison)

Gracious God, we thank you because you give us life, call us by our name, and hold us in your faithful love. We pray today for these young people who have made a public profession of their faith in you. Bless them with strength and wisdom in every area of their lives and watch over them and guide them as they continue to grow and mature. Remind all of us of the promises of our own baptism. Give us the power and guidance of your Spirit to serve you with joy and hope. Refresh our trust in you, and renew our commitment to minister to others through the life and work of the Church, the Body of Christ. Amen!

### Sacrament Of Holy Communion

Communion Hymn: One Brea

One Bread, One Body

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#### Call To Give Thanks:

- L: The risen Lord be with you.
- P: And also with you.
- L: Lift up your hearts in praise.
- P: We lift them up to the Lord.

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#### Prayer Of Approach: (unison)

O God of creation, whose Spirit stilled the waters of chaos, whose breath filled all creatures with life, we praise you. O God of inspiration, whose Spirit anointed kings and priests, whose power emboldened the prophets of old, we praise you. O God of Jesus Christ, whose Spirit descended dove-like on the man of Galilee, whose glory shone in words of wisdom and deeds of love, we praise you. O God of Pentecost, whose Spirit came to the faithful waiting at Jerusalem, whose gifts empowered the church for service and witness, we praise you. Blessed are you, O God, forever. Amen.

Hymn:	I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry	644
Time With	Our Children And Youth:	
Hymn:	Go, Make a Diff'rence	MV 209

#### Go make a diff'rence. We can make a diff'rence. Go make a diff'rence in the world. Go make a diff'rence. We can make a diff'rence. Go make a diff'rence in the world.

We are the salt of the earth, called to let the people see the love of God for you and me. We are the light of the world, not to be hidden but be seen. Go make a diff'rence in the world.

We are the hands of Christ reaching out to those in need, the face of God for all to see. We are the spirit of hope; we are the voice of peace. Go make a diff'rence in the world.

So let your love shine on, let it shine for all to see. Go make a diff'rence in the world. And the spirit of Christ will be with us as we go. Go make a diff'rence in the world.

#### **Offertory Invitation:**

L: When our gifts are linked to the gifts of others, we can do so much more together. Let us now offer what we have so that God's grace can multiply our gifts for the mission and ministry of Christ's church.

Offertory:	My God Loves Me	
Offertory Hymn:	Spirit of Life	381

#### **Offertory Prayer:** (unison)

Giver of life, in the same way that Christ is revealed in the breaking of the Bread which is shared for the benefit of all, so might our offerings of treasure, time and talents declare the Risen Lord and bless the lives of others. Amen!

#### Life and Work of St. James:

Epistle Lesson:Acts 2: 1-21The coming of the Holy Spirit.

Anthem: We Are the Children

**Gospel:** John 15: 26-27; 16: 4b-15 Jesus will send the Advocate, the Spirit of Truth.

Hymn:	Breathe on Me, Breath of God	382
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#### Meditation:

Anthem: Wind in the Willows Emily Nolan, Hannah Sheppard and Katelyn Mayo

#### Confirmation

#### Introduction

#### Presentation of Candidates

Alan Andrews Karen Giannou Liam Nichols Hannah Sheppard Christian Winsor Heber Blackmore Brenda Kelleher-Flight Emily Nolan Maggie Skinner Gregory Butt Katelyn Mayo John Parker Michelle Skinner