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Praise Song: “Freedom”

Verse 1

Step out of the shadows
Step out of the grave
Break into the wild
And don't be afraid

Pre-chorus

Run into the wide open spaces
Grace is waiting for you
Dance like the weight has been lifted
Grace is waiting

Chorus 1

Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is
freedom
There is freedom
Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is
freedom
There is freedom
Come out of the dark just as you are
Into the fullness of His love
For the Spirit is here let there be freedom

Let there be freedom

Verse 2

Bring all of your burdens
Bring all of your scars
Come back to communion
Come back to the start

Bridge

Chains will fall prisons shake
At the sound of Jesus' name
Lives made whole hearts awake
At the sound of Jesus' name (yeah)

Interlude

Let there be freedom

Pre Chorus

Dance like the weight has been lifted
Grace is waiting

Ending

Let there be freedom
Let there be freedom

Invocation

Ministry In Music: “Be Not Afraid”

Melissa Metcalf

Psalms Reading: Psalm 104:24-35

²⁴ How many are your works, LORD!

In wisdom you made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵ There is the sea, vast and spacious,
teeming with creatures beyond number—
living things both large and small.

²⁶ There the ships go to and fro,
and Leviathan, which you formed to frolic there.

²⁷ All creatures look to you
to give them their food at the proper time.

²⁸ When you give it to them,
they gather it up;

when you open your hand,
they are satisfied with good things.

²⁹ When you hide your face,
they are terrified;

when you take away their breath,
they die and return to the dust.

³⁰ When you send your Spirit,
they are created,
and you renew the face of the ground.

³¹ May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works—

³² he who looks at the earth, and it trembles,
who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

³³ I will sing to the LORD all my life;
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

³⁴ May my meditation be pleasing to him,

as I rejoice in the LORD.

³⁵ But may sinners vanish from the earth
and the wicked be no more.

Praise the LORD, my soul.

Praise the LORD. [a]

Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

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.

Amen. Amen.

Hymn: "For A Thousand Tongues To Sing"

Verse 1

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise!
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of His grace!

Verse 3

Jesus the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.

Verse 4

He speaks, and listening to His voice,
New life the dead receive!
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe!

Verse 5

Hear Him ye deaf His praise ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ,
Ye blind behold your Savior come,
And leap ye lame for joy!

Graduate Recognition

Announcements

The Lord's Prayer in Many Languages

Praise Song: "King of Kings"

Verse 1

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets

To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Chorus

Praise the Father
Praise the son

Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings

Verse 2

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross

For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Verse 3

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death

And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

Verse 4

And the church of Christ was born
Then the spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint

By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

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Scripture Reading: Acts 2:1-13

2 When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. **2** Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. **3** They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. **4** All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

5 Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. **6** When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. **7** Utterly

amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?" **8** Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? **9** Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, **10** Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome **11** (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" **12** Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

13 Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

Message: "Gift of the Holy Spirit"

Pastor Richard Thompson

God's _____ of the Holy Spirit makes us one in the resurrected life.

"...if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of His Spirit who lives in you," Romans 8:11.

"Have you the witness of God's Spirit with your spirit that you are a _____?"
(Rules of the Band Societies, 1738)

The Holy Spirit is also given to believers to lead them into all _____.

"I will ask the Father and he will give you another advocate – the Spirit of Truth – the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you," John 14:16-17, 26.

We must not forget our utter _____ on God.

We must rely on the Word of the only One who is truly _____ - God Himself.

"...you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth," Acts 1:8

"If you love me," he said, *"you will obey my command,"* John 14:15

Always be ready to tell of the _____ you have in Christ Jesus. For He is risen!

Ministry in Music: "Come Alive (Dry Bones)"

Invitation to Give: Jay Rosenlieb

Praise Song: "Holy Spirit (Living Breath of God)"

Verse 1

Holy Spirit living Breath of God
Breathe new life into my willing soul
Let the presence of the risen Lord
Come renew my heart and make me whole
Cause Your Word to come alive in me
Give me faith for what I cannot see
Give me passion for Your purity
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
In ach thought and deed and attitude

Kindness to the greatest and the least
Gentleness that sows the path of peace
Turn my strivings into works of grace
Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Verse 2

Holy Spirit come abide within
May Your joy be seen in all I do

Verse 3

Holy Spirit from creation's birth
Giving life to all that God has made
Show Your power once again on earth

Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways
Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise
Lead us on the road of sacrifice

That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the Source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose pow'r uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

Benediction

Participating in today's live stream service:

Dr. Richard Thompson, Senior Pastor
Andrew Irvin, Director of Worship and Music
Darrell Arnold, Family Ministries Director

Scripture: Kathleen Schaffer

Offering: Jay Rosenlieb

Vocalists: Michael Canlas, Sizakele Irvin, Beren
Canlas, Andrew Irvin

Instrumentalists: Organ: Rebecca Spickler; Keys:
Aaron Thompson; Drums: Dumisani Irvin; Bass:
Evan Koehler; Guitars: Beren Canlas, Emma
Koehler; Piano: Andrew Irvin

Tech: Sound: James Dethlefsen; Live Stream
Camera: Ed French; Projection and Lights: Lucas
Metcalf

Announcements & Info:

Congratulations to our Graduates!

Re-Opening Our Church: We are in the process of making plans to re-open our church for worship services and are busy with understanding and implementing the requirements of our UMC conference, local, state and federal governments, as well as the CDC. It is a process we want to get right for the sake of our congregation! Please fill out and return the survey found in the June *Spirit* as quickly as you can. This will help us to understand everyone's interest in, and tolerance of, opening up our church.

Click, Click, Who's There? Thank you to all who are filling out the online communication card! It helps us know which of our members are able to join us online and who is not, and gives you an opportunity to communicate with us as well. By **clicking "add an online attendee"** you can register anyone watching with you (husband, wife, children, grandparents, neighbors, etc.) Please register your "attendance" anytime you view the worship service, especially before the following Tuesday morning when the office staff takes the final count.

VBS is NOT canceled! – Jesus' power will pull us through the "*Rocky Railway!*" Due to the fact that Vacation Bible School will be an "at home" event this year, stay tuned for an orientation video from our very own Darrell Arnold! contact darrell.arnold@fumcbakersfield.org or visit the VBS page at fumcbakersfield.org to register your child(ren) for VBS @home.

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Church is not the building, it's the people. One of the ways that we can be the church is through volunteering to serve in our community especially during this COVID crisis. Please visit cityservesocal.com/bakersfield and see opportunities to volunteer for deliveries to senior adults, food distribution both on the street and organizing at the CityServe warehouse.

Have you been connecting to your small group? We would love to include you, and – thanks to technology like Zoom – participating in a small group from wherever you happen to be is easy! If you're not in a small group, we have several to choose from, and we are willing to launch new ones as well, so come join us! Contact the church office by phone or email at office@fumcbakersfield.org.

Your ministry staff members love and care about you and everyone in our First Church family! Feel free to chat with us on the live chat on YouTube, comment on and share our social media posts, or call/email us, 661.325.1267/ office@fumcbakersfield.org. Our office is staffed during this time, and hours remain 9 am – 4 pm Monday through Thursday, and 9 am to 1 pm on Fridays.