

## Scripture Readings – May 23, 2021

### Zoom Worship Service

#### **Acts 2:1-11**

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!”

#### **Hechos 2:1-11**

Cuando llegó el día de Pentecostés, todos estaban reunidos en un mismo lugar. De repente, vino del cielo un ruido como de un viento muy fuerte, que llenó toda la casa. Vieron algo parecido a llamas de fuego que se separaron y se colocaron sobre cada uno de los que estaban allí. Todos quedaron llenos del Espíritu Santo y empezaron a hablar en diferentes idiomas por el poder que les daba el Espíritu. En Jerusalén estaban viviendo fieles judíos que habían venido de todas partes de diferentes naciones. Al oír el ruido, se reunió una multitud y estaban confundidos porque cada uno los oía hablar en su propio idioma. Muy sorprendidos y llenos de asombro, decían: «¿No son todos estos de Galilea? ¿Cómo es posible que cada uno de nosotros los oiga hablar en nuestro propio idioma? Somos de diferentes partes del mundo: Partia, Media, Elam, Mesopotamia, Judea, Capadocia, Ponto, Asia, Frigia, Panfilia, Egipto, el área de Libia cerca de la ciudad de Cirene, visitantes de Roma, Creta y Arabia. Algunos de nosotros somos judíos y otros nos hemos convertido al judaísmo. Venimos de todos esos países, ¡pero los escuchamos hablar las maravillas de Dios en nuestro propio idioma!»

### **John 15:26-27 and 16:4-15**

“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father — the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father — he will testify about me. And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

I have told you this, so that when their time comes you will remember that I warned you about them. I did not tell you this from the beginning because I was with you, but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things. But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because people do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned. “I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you.”

### **Romans 8:22-27**

We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God’s people in accordance with the will of God.