

Pentecost Sunday

May 23, 2021

Every Ester Vigil introduces the history of humanity in the The Story of Creation in Gen 1 [Gen 1:1f].

The words of this story speak the breath of God as God creates each day. The Hebrew word that expresses this creative breath is Tohu Wabohu. OUT of chaos God breathes Life.

Then in the second story of Creation, [the Yahwist writer] Gen 2: 4-25.

Here in vs 7:

Then the LORD God formed the man^a out of the dust of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.^d

Then in EZ 37, v 5 & 9,10

Then he said to me: Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, son of man! Say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: From the four winds come, O breath, and breathe into these slain that they may come to life.^{a b}

I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath entered them; they came to life and stood on their feet, a vast army.^c

I quote these passages to bring to your awareness the creative and pervasive presence of the Spirit of God in Creation and in our humanity.