



First Presbyterian Church

Day of Pentecost

May 19, 2024, 11:00 AM

* Indicates that those who are able may stand

Bold type is spoken by the people.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY: Come Holy Spirit, God and Lord *Andreas Armsdorf*

*CALL TO WORSHIP *Dave Pelren, Liturgist*

ONE: Come! Let us speak plainly and boldly of our faith.

ALL: The Spirit of God descends upon us, and Christ's promise to us is fulfilled.

ONE: The expression of the Spirit's power in our community is a wonder to behold.

ALL: We each have a different voice, yet we witness God's joy together! Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling **#366**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ONE: The Spirit of God helps us in our weakness, interceding with sighs too deep for words. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin, saying...

ALL: O God, as your Spirit filled the church on the first Pentecost day, so fill this house of worship with your presence, and fill us with your passion. You are doing a new thing, actively moving in the world. Forgive us when we act as if your stories have all been written. You hear the prayers of every language and call us to hear each other. Forgive us when we act as if your Spirit only spoke our native tongue. Wash us in your grace, O God, and illumine us with your fire. Send us out to follow your spirit and teach us to hear the prayers of all your people. Amen.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

*RESPONSE HYMN: Lord Have Mercy Upon Us **#575**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ONE: Hear the good news of God's promise: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

ALL: Thanks be to God.

*GLORIA PATRI

#581

**Glorify 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!**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Katie Ory

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Ezekiel 37:1-14

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SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Acts 2:1-21

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ONE: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me

K. Lee Scott

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;
And, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.
Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions brotherly, speak Christ's sincerity.
Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
Show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee;
Separate from sin I would, and cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be give him who gave me thee.
Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
Help me now thy pow'r to see, I would be like thee;
'Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, thine the victory.

THIRD SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

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SERMON:

Rev. Michael McLaughlin

SERMON HYMN: Let Us Build a House

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*COMMUNAL AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Confession of 1967, 9.20

God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation in human life. The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in which people are reconciled to God and to one another. The Spirit enables people to receive forgiveness as they forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of God as they make peace among themselves. In spite of their sin, the Spirit gives people power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and his gospel of reconciliation to all. Amen.

*GREETINGS

After an exchange of Peace between the Pastor and the Congregation, we encourage you to greet one another. The Greetings will conclude with the first verse of *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*.

ONE: ...The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;

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The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ONE: ... By your grace, O God,

ALL: raise us from death to life.

ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERTORY: Spirit Song

John Purifoy

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

#606

ALL: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING: Spirit of the Living God

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We will sing the hymn twice.

*BENEDICTION

ONE: ...Alleluia!

ALL: Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: Fugue in D Minor

Johann Pachelbel

REGULAR WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY CALENDAR

- **Religion and Culture Class** – 9:30am-10:30am, in Room 6 and on Zoom.
- **Higher Grounds Café** – 9:30am-11am, in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Adult Morning Bible Study**. 10am-10:45am, in the Library.
- **Nursery** - 10:45am-12:15pm - Ages 5 and under.
- **Children’s Church** - 11:15am, in Room 16
- **Youth Group** – 5-7pm in the Fellowship Hall.

WEDNESDAY CALENDAR

- **Wednesday Night Gathering**– 5:15pm dinner, 6pm lesson/activities begin.
- **Choir Rehearsal** – 7:30pm, in the Sanctuary.

BIRTHDAYS:

HOLLAND, Kadence	05/06	VANATTA, Jacquelyn	05/14
MCCORMICK, Rachel	05/08	SMITH, Dina	05/18
NEIL, Mary Ann	05/09	HARRISON, Nathaniel	05/24
THURMOND, Emily	05/11	WILEY, Shelley	05/25
SCOTT III, James	05/12	CARDINAL, Beverly	05/27
RUDICH DURYEE, Sylvia	05/14		

STAFF:

The Rev. Michael D. McLaughlin.....	Lead Pastor
The Rev. Katie Ory.....	Dir. TTU PSA, Dir. Children & Youth Ministry
Paul Thurmond.....	Director of Music
Virginia Fillers.....	SoulSong Coordinator
Amy Ainsley.....	Administrative Assistant

ELDERS:

2024: Beverly Cardinal, Pat Wilhelm
2025: Dina Smith, Rick Woods
2026: Cade Arnold, Josh Doré

DEACONS:

2024: Sam Glasgow, Sidonie Sansom, Diana Dugle
2025: Ginny Butler, Chris McCormick, Erica Scott
2026: Michelle Doré, Michelle Fields, Stacey Trent

AUDIO/VISUAL TECHNICIAN: True McLaughlin