

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
That All May Know God's Love

Welcome! We are honored and glad you have come to worship with FPC today. If you are a visitor and have any questions, feel free to ask members of our Hospitality Team stationed at the doors at the back and side of the Sanctuary.

Summer Casual Worship begins May 26. During the heat of summertime, we encourage you to come dressed for comfort and coolness!

Pentecost Offering: Please see insert to learn more about the Pentecost Offering benefitting children at risk, youth, & young adults.

First Coffee Men's Group is talking AI! Well, sort of. On the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 am in the Small Dining Room, First Coffee will be discussing Samuel James' book *Digital Liturgies*. What does faith in a technology-driven world look like? How might conversations about AI and the internet incorporate the precepts of Christian theology? Come find out, beginning Monday, May 20!!! The conversation will be led by Todd Simpson and Rob Polk.



May 19, 2024
Day of Pentecost
10:00 am

A crowd gathers at the ruckus and hears these simple Galileans speaking in many languages – not ecstatic non-sense, but languages, in each of these, talking excitedly about God. They are moving, not out of their grief but with their grief, into a world they know is filled with the grandeur of God. They cannot know what is to come; they do not know where they must go. They are cartographers on an unknown landscape... but they know in some new way, that God is beside them. Within them. Beyond them. Beneath them, O everlasting arms. They know in some new way how amazing grace really is. They may have been wobbly, but there came a time when, grief and all, the wind freshened, the banked fires in them leaped up – and they were off. From “And They Were Off,” by Joseph Gilmore

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Christians, We Have Met to Worship* arr. David Ashley White

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Acts 2: 17, 21

God declares: “I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh.
Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.
 The young shall see visions.
The elders shall dream dreams.
 Both men and women shall prophesy.
And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

***HYMN 280** *Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us* EBENEZER

***CALL TO CONFESSION** Jim Harrelson, liturgist

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**
Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples, creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us! By your purifying fire, transform our lives. Guide us into honesty and compassion so that, filled with your peace, our dreams and visions may be one with yours; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. (Silent Confession)

***HYMN 288** *Spirit of the Living God* LIVING GOD
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.



THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 19 Pentecost	
Sunday Worship.....	10:00 am
Session.....	11:15 am
Camp Viola Meeting.....	2:00 pm
Youth Group Orientation.....	4:00 pm
Parent Mtg. for HS & MS Montreat.....	5:00 pm
Evensong.....	6:00 pm
Monday, May 20	
First Coffee.....	7:00 am
Mission Council.....	5:30 pm
Tuesday, May 21	
Staff Meeting.....	10:00 am
Craft Group.....	1:00 pm

Montessori Board.....	2:30 pm
Friends with Bill.....	5:30 pm
Wednesday, May 22	
DeCelle Morning Ministry.....	8:30 am
Formation Staff meeting.....	9:00 am
Thursday, May 23	
Community Lunch Program.....	9:00 am
College Lunch Club.....	12:00 pm
Friday, May 24	
Friends with Bill.....	8:00 pm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Jessica Ledford, May 17 Greta Angstadt, May 20
Spencer Hutchinson, May 18 Mary Ellen Hudson, May 22
Savannah Jackson, May 18 Dave Allen, May 23
Carter Westmoreland, May 18 Kyle Crawford, May 23
Katelyn Hardie, May 19 Lee Richter, May 24
Steve Teaver, May 19 Paul West, May 24



***ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

John 20: 21-22

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.
As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

The Spirit of Forgiveness. The Spirit of Redemption. The Spirit of Peace.

Believe the Good News of the Gospel!

Through Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON pg. 129

Acts 10: 34-48

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S LESSON

****HYMN 188**

Jesus Loves Me!

JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

***There will be no children's worship today as it is a communion Sunday.*

SERMON

The 'Other' Pentecost

Rev. James Goodlet

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY

On Pentecost They Gathered

MUNICH

First Presbyterian Church accepts both cash and cashless offering. For instructions on how to support our ministry digitally, please see the giving cards in the back of each pew. Thank you for your generosity.

***HYMN 609**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

These are the gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Op. 13, Adagio cantabile

Ludwig van Beethoven

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN 634**

To God Be the Glory

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***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Hungarian Rhapsody

David Popper
Dillon Harry, cello

**The congregation may stand. Bold print is spoken by the congregation.
Bold italicized is sung by the congregation.*

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PRAYERS FOR GOD'S PEOPLE

Members: John Long, Lynda Brock, Betty Drinkard, Emma Allen, Jake Duraski, Jessica Brown, Ruth Ellen & Oron Trotter, Eddie Yearta, Kenneth Yearta, Betty Wallace, Sharon Teaver, Sheila White, Joyce Jordan, Jonnie Jackson

Friends & Family: Sara Liebrock (Pat Priebe's niece), Willie Cooks (Principal of Berta Weathersbee), Janet Maddox (cousin of Paula Thurman), Logan Parrott (Marilyn Mayer's grandson), Judy Barlow (Beth Evans' Aunt), Randy Sargent (John Sargent's brother), Charles Campbell (Susan Cashwell's brother), Sally Estes (Anne Seay's daughter), Emily Sciarone (Happy & Lawrence Blakely's granddaughter), Beth Duttera Newman (Sue Duttera's daughter), Outland/Bryant family, Tessa Long (friends of Ellen Butts & family), Cindy Skipworth, Jenny Goodrow (Janis Kish's niece), Larry Floyd, Paul McWhirter, Kate Kirby (friends of Susan Martin), Ray Henderson (Dana Countess' father), Phyllis Bentley (Elise Musick's cousin), Marshall Morton III (son of Emily Morton), Beth Etheridge, Gary Shriver Sr., Gary Shriver Jr. (family of Sheila White), Connie Lunsford (friend of Sheila White), Gwen Lukemire (Brenda Lukemire's daughter), men & women in our armed services, first responders.