

And they were all filled with the

HOLY SPIRIT.

ACTS 2:4



THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pentecost Sunday

May 19, 2024

10:50 a.m.

✠ We Gather in God's Name ✠

Welcome

Rev. Bill Pollack

Prelude

Max Jackson

Come Holy Ghost, Lord God

Diderik Buxtehude

Call to Worship

Geri Willis

Leader: On this day of Pentecost, we come to worship.

People: May God pour out His great Spirit upon us.

Leader: May the power and promise of that day long ago fall on us!

People: Renew us and our church on this Pentecost day.

Leader: In our worship, may our hearts be set afire with enthusiasm!

People: And may our lives glow with energy and courage as we live the good news of new life.

All: Come, Holy Spirit, work in and through us for the glory of God. Amen.

† **Hymn of Praise**

#279

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all Thy quickening powers;
kindle a flame of sacred love in these cold hearts of ours.

In vain we tune our formal songs; in vain we strive to rise;
hosannas languish on our tongues, and our devotion dies.

Dear Lord, and shall we ever live at this poor dying rate?
Our love so faint, so cold to Thee, and thine to us so great!

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all Thy quickening powers;
come, shed abroad a Savior's love, and that shall kindle ours.

† **Call to Confession**

† **Prayer of Confession**

Creating God, in love You moved over the waters of chaos and separated sea from dry land. And yet, we cling tightly to rigid boundaries of our own making. You claim us in the waters of baptism and declare us dead to sin and alive in Christ. But too often we deny that call, conforming ourselves to the whims of culture. At Pentecost You released your wild and transforming Spirit to flow through Your church and world. But we want to tame that wildness, channeling Your Spirit through banks of ordered safety. Transform us, we pray. Soften the unyielding edges of our hearts. Help us to be Your people, consumed by the flame of Your Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

† **Assurance of Pardon**

† **Response**

#288

Spirit of the 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.

✠ **We Listen to God's Word** ✠

Service of Confirmation and Membership

Pastor Bill

Lilly Grace Wheeler

Sophie Elizabeth Wheeler

All children/youth are invited to help plant Zinnias immediately following the Service of Confirmation. Please meet in the foyer outside the Bethesda Community Hall.

Anthem

Chancel Choir

Creator Spirit, By Whose Aid

Vernon Hoyle

Creator Spirit, by whose aid the worlds foundations first were laid, Come visit every pious mind; Come, pour Thy joys on human kind; From sin and sorrow set us free, and make Thy temples worship Thee. O source of uncreated light, the Father's promised Paraclete, Thrice holy fount, thrice holy fire, our hearts with heavenly love inspire; Come, and Thy sacred unction bring to

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sanctify us while we sing. Thou strength of His almighty hand,
whose power does earth and heaven command,
Refine and charge our earthly parts; But, O inflame and fire our
hearts! And lest our feet should go astray, protect and guide us in
the way. Plenteous of grace, descend from high rich in Thy
sevenfold energy; Make us eternal truths receive, and practice all
that new believe. Give us Thyself, that we may see the Father
and the Son by Thee. Immortal honor, endless flame, attend the
almighty Father's name; The Savior Son be glorified, who for
man's redemption died; And equal adoration be, eternal Spirit
unto Thee.

Prayer for Illumination

The Epistle Lesson

Acts 2:1–4 (NRSV)

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in
one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like
the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where
they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among
them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were
filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages,
as the Spirit gave them ability.

Psalm 117

#327

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let the Redeemer's name be sung through every land, in every tongue.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

In every land begin the song; to every land the strains belong:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

In cheerful sound all voices raise and fill the world with joyful praise.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Eternal are Thy mercies, Lord; eternal truth attends Thy word:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,

till suns shall rise and set no more.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

† **The Gospel Lesson**

John 14:15–18, 25–27 (NRSV)

“If you love Me, you will keep My commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. You know Him because He abides with you, and He will be in you. ¹⁸ “I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ²⁵ “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

L: This is the Word of the Lord! **P: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Rev. Bill Pollack

A Pentecostal Promise

✦ **We Respond to God’s Word** ✦

† **Hymn of Response**

#286

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,
that I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
until with Thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly Thine,
until this earthly part of me glows with Thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
but live with Thee the perfect life of Thine eternity.

† **Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again; He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the

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Father, and He will come again to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Acknowledgement

Special Offering: Clean Start

† Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

† Prayer of Dedication

✠ WE ARE SENT IN GOD'S NAME ✠

† Hymn of Sending

#694

Great God of Every Blessing

Great God of every blessing, of faithful, loving care.
You are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank You? Our praise is but a start.
sincerely and completely I offer You my heart.

Your Word is our salvation, the source of endless grace.
In death and life extending Your covenant embrace.
In Christ we are one body; each member has a part.
sincerely and completely I offer You my heart.

Your Spirit is our Teacher, the light that guides our search.
Transforming broken people into the holy church.

For feeding us with mercy, for wisdom You impart:
sincerely and completely I offer You my heart.

Choral Postlude

Chancel Choir

Descend, O Heavenly Dove

Mark Schweizer

Lord God, the Holy Ghost, in this accepted hour, As on the day of Pentecost, descend in all Thy power; We meet with one accord in our appointed place, And wait the promise of our Lord, by all adored, the Spirit of Grace. Descend, O heavenly Dove, abide with us always; And in the fullness of Thy Love, come from above, and cleanse us as we pray. Like mighty rushing wind upon the waves beneath, Move with one impulse every mind, one soul, one feeling breathe; The young, the old inspire, with wisdom from above; O grant us gifts, and tongues of fire, hearts of desire, to pray, praise, and love. Descend O heavenly Dove, . . .

† **Benediction**

† *Standing if you are able.*

SERVING TODAY

Head Usher: *Mitch Hall*

Liturgist: *Geri Willis*

LAST WEEK'S RECAP

Attendance: 95

General Offering: \$1,236.00

Backpack Ministry: \$20.00

Organ Repair Fund: \$5.00

Online Offering: \$548.40

Total Offering: \$1,809.40

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

► **Sunday, May 19**

Sunday Morning Study, 9:18 a.m. resumes 6/9

Armchair Theologians, 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship, 10:50 a.m.

Adkins Baby Shower, following morning worship.

► **Monday, May 20**

Sew Blessed, 6 p.m.

► **Tuesday, May 21**

Finance Ministry Team, 5:30 p.m.

► **Wednesday, May 22**

Men's Bible Study, 7 a.m./Bob Evans

Bells Rehearsal, 6 p.m.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 p.m.

► **Thursday, May 23**

Men's Lunch Bunch, 11:30 a.m.

Dames + Dinner, 5:30 p.m.

Baby Bottle Blessings

There are baby bottles available in the Narthex to raise funds for *Two Hearts Pregnancy Care Center*. The center provides free and confidential services to pregnant women in our area. Please help support this ministry by picking up a baby bottle in the Narthex, filling it with a donation, and **returning the bottle to the church office by Father's Day on Sunday, June 16.**



Let's Celebrate!!



The McClelland Family, Holli,
Keith & Drew,
have a new baby girl!

Arden Rochelle

Let's shower them with love
and gifts,

Sunday, June 2

following morning worship in
the Narthex.

Registered at Amazon
(Holli McClelland)

We hope you can join us!



You are Invited

TO JOIN US

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2024

10:50 a.m.

Anniversary Celebration

205 Years of Spreading God's Word

1819-2024

Luncheon to follow: BBQ & Fixings

RSVP: fpcaky.org by May 24.

Volunteers Needed

In conjunction with our 205th celebration on Sunday, June 9, the church will host an Open House on First Friday, **June 7 from 5–9 p.m.** Volunteers are needed to help with security next to the elevator on all three floors. Also, as a greeter on the first floor and in the choir balcony on the second floor. Please contact Jane Justice (606.923.1860) or Kelly Hanni (606.923.7826) if you would like to volunteer.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Week ending May 16, 2024

Dr. Roger Potter (KDMC)
Annette Ryan (Don & Judy Lilly)
Sharon Slusher (Steve Jackson's sister-in-law)

Week ending May 9, 2024

Family of Terry Cowles (Pastor Bill)
Amy Ferguson (Rebecca Ferguson)
Bob Miller (Cabell Huntington Hospital #3353)

Week ending May 2, 2024

Haylee Adkins (Heather Shay)
Larry & Linda Barker (Don & Judy Lilly)
Don and Rebecca Ballard DiLoreto (Bettie George Frye)
John Edlin (Pastor Bill)
Jerry Hall (Geri Willis' brother)
Joe & Linda Iaccio (Don & Judy Lilly's brother-in-law)
Jane Justice

Prayer requests will rotate off after three weeks. If you have an ongoing concern, please contact the church office.

Ongoing: Gretchen Dillon; Charlie Holbrook; Kenny McGill, Derek Payne; Nancy Payne, Bonnie Pettijohn, Tim Shephard, Jan Winans, Kim Whitman, Ann Wiseman

The Lantern: Barry Barbour, Carolyn Graber

Military: Erik Adkins (USAF Reserves, son of Kris Adkins)
Cadet Katie Brown
(West Point, granddaughter of Kim & Mike Whitman)
Greg Weston (Kentucky National Guard)
Major Kaitlin Whitmore (US Army, niece of Don & Judy Lilly)

STAFF

Minister: *Rev. William Pollack*
Choirmaster/Organist: *Max Jackson*
Administrative Assistant: *Nanette Pollack*
Facilities Manager: *Glen Thomas*
Nursery Attendant: *Kara Adkins*

SESSION MEMBERS

President of Congregation: *Mitch Hall*
Secretary of Congregation/Clerk of Session: *Kelly Hanni*
Treasurer: *Cathy Wilson*

2024	2025	2026
<i>Lee McCloud</i>	<i>Kelly Hanni</i>	<i>Mitch Hall*</i>
<i>J.T. Norris</i>	<i>Kim Whitman</i>	<i>Jan Holbrook</i>
<i>Cathy Wilson*</i>	<i>Geri Willis</i>	<i>Ryan Whitman*</i>
		*2nd term of service

MINISTRY TEAMS

Building & Grounds: <i>TBD</i>	Membership: <i>Kim Whitman</i>
Christian Education: <i>Lee McCloud</i>	Mission: <i>Geri Willis</i>
Congregational Life: <i>Cathy Wilson</i>	Personnel: <i>Janet Holbrook</i>
Finance: <i>Trish Hall</i>	Worship: <i>Ryan Whitman</i>

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