

# Day of Pentecost

May 18, 2025



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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# **Day of Pentecost**

## **May 18, 2025, 10:00 a.m. Service**

### **WELCOME TO FPC**

We are so glad you are with us on this day where we celebrate the gift of hope for ourselves and for our world. We invite you to follow us on Facebook, sign up for our weekly emails or check the website regularly to see the new things God is doing among us at FPC Findlay!

### **CHILDREN IN WORSHIP**

**Little Ones:** Infants and toddlers are welcome to join trained caregivers in Room 333 on the third floor during worship.

**Children's Worship Bulletins:** These are available along with activity packets in the Narthex. Ask a Greeter for one.

**Godly Play:** Children in preschool through elementary school-age are invited to attend Godly Play worship in Room 340 following the Blessing of the Children.

### **WORSHIP VIA FACEBOOK LIVE**

As the prelude begins, we invite you to share your prayer requests in the comments section beneath the Facebook Live video.

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### **LITURGICAL ART**

**First Presbyterian Church** follows the liturgical calendar to mark the seasons of our life together as Christians. The DAY OF PENTECOST is 50 days after Easter Day. RED is the color of fire and symbolizes the presence of God in the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the first disciples as depicted in both pulpit and lectern paraments and banners created by liturgical artist Jenia Rimov of Camas, Washington. The mobile in the Chancel "Come Creator Spirit" represents the flames poured down upon the disciples, as well as the presence of the Holy Spirit in the dove. The mobile was created in 2016 by Don Beck. The color RED is also used for Reformation Sunday, the last Sunday of October, representing the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the 16th century renewal movement, as well as the blood shed by the martyrs of that period. The pulpit and lectern paraments, as well as the banners above the doors, depict the fractured Protestant churches which resulted from that movement 500 years ago. They were created in 2017 by Don Beck, whose artistic vision continues to shape worship at First Presbyterian Church in all seasons of the liturgical year.

***Honoring our heritage, we are a dynamic body  
welcoming all to Christ's spacious table, illumined  
to serve God with imagination and love.***

**Belong. Be Challenged. Be Love.**

*Please turn off all mobile and electronic devices while in the Sanctuary.*

*\*Indicates to rise in body or spirit.*

## GATHERING

*We gather as a community and prepare our hearts to worship God.*

*At the  
sound of the  
bells, please  
prepare your  
hearts and  
minds for  
worship.*

Tolling of the Bells

Prelude

God Moves in a Mysterious Way

Dan Locklair

Choral Introit

Holy Spirit, Come to Us

Jacques Berthier

*Holy Spirit, come to us; kindle in us the fire of your love. Holy Spirit, come to us.*

\*Call to Worship

The God of the whirlwind and fire  
sweeps into our presence in this hour.

**Glory be to God, who strengthens us  
and blesses all people with peace.**

God, who called all the world into being,  
calls forth new life in us today.

**Glory be to God, in whose creative  
purpose we are claimed and empowered.**

God, whose Spirit unites all people in a common language of love,  
confirms God's gifts in us as we gather here.

**Glory be to God, who created light in which  
we can walk in confident expectation.**

\*Hymn 280

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

*See page 8*

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

Spirit of God,  
you are the breath of creation,  
the wind of change that blows through our lives,  
opening us up to new dreams and new hopes,  
new life in Jesus Christ.  
Forgive us our closed minds,  
which barricade themselves against new ideas,  
preferring the past  
to what you might want to do through us tomorrow.  
Forgive our closed eyes,  
which fail to see the needs of your world,  
blind to opportunities of service and love.  
Forgive our closed hands,  
which clutch our gifts and our wealth for our own use alone.

Forgive us our closed hearts,  
which limit our affections to ourselves and our own.  
Spirit of new life,  
forgive us and break down the prison walls of our selfishness,  
that we might be open to your love  
and open for service in your world.

*(Silent Confession)*

We pray this all in the name of Christ. **Amen.**

\*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

\*Passing of the Peace

Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

\*Grateful Response 251      Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia. Re-joice and praise him, al - le - lu - ia.

For our re - deem - er burst from the tomb, e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.

Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy. Death's fear - ful sting he has come to de - stroy.

Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score is written on four staves in 3/4 time, key of B-flat major. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Welcome of New Members

*Kim Cosiano, Laura Hoffman, Greg and Shannon Phlegar,  
Mercer Phlegar, and Sarah Wagner.*

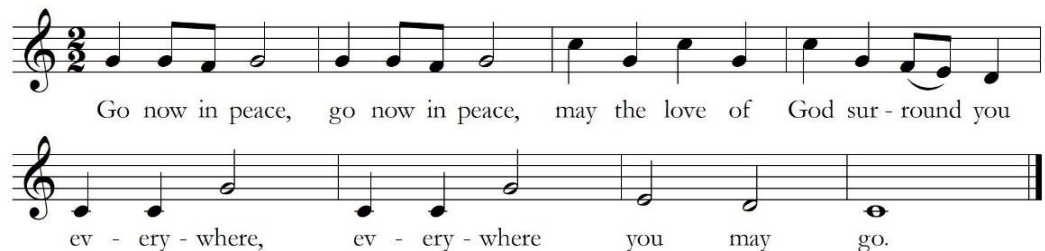
Congregational Response:

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you to the ministry of this church,  
as we worship, learn and serve together. Thanks be to God!**

*Children are  
invited to  
come to the  
Chancel  
steps for a  
brief  
blessing.*

*Following  
the Blessing  
of the  
Children,  
children 3<sup>rd</sup>  
grade and  
younger  
may go to  
Room 340  
for Godly  
Play.*

## Blessing of the Children



## BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

### Prayer for Illumination

#### First Lesson

- <sup>24</sup> O Lord, how manifold are your works!  
In wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.
- <sup>25</sup> **There is the sea, great and wide;  
creeping things innumerable are there,  
living things both small and great.**
- <sup>26</sup> There go the ships  
and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.
- <sup>27</sup> **These all look to you  
to give them their food in due season;**
- <sup>28</sup> **when you give to them, they gather it up;  
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.**
- <sup>29</sup> When you hide your face, they are dismayed;  
when you take away their breath, they die  
and return to their dust.
- <sup>30</sup> **When you send forth your spirit, they are created,  
and you renew the face of the ground.**
- <sup>31</sup> May the glory of the Lord endure forever;  
may the Lord rejoice in his works—
- <sup>32</sup> **who looks on the earth and it trembles,  
who touches the mountains and they smoke.**
- <sup>33</sup> I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
- <sup>34</sup> **May my meditation be pleasing to him,  
for I rejoice in the Lord.**
- <sup>35</sup> **Bless the Lord, O my soul.  
Praise the Lord!**



The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Jessica Commeret

## RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn 291

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

*See page 12*

Call for Offering

Offertory Anthem

Send Down the Fire

Marty Haugen

*Send down the fire of your justice, Send down the rains of your love; Come, send down the Spirit, breathe life in your people, and make us the people of God. Call us to be your compassion, Teach us the song of your love; Give us hearts that sing, Give us deeds that ring, Make us ring with the song of your love. Call us to learn of your mercy, Teach us the way of your peace; Give us hearts that feel, Give us hands that heal, Make us walk in the way of your peace. Call us to answer oppression, Teach us the fire of your truth; Give us righteous souls, 'Til your justice rolls, Make us burn with the fire of your truth. Call us to witness your Kingdom, Give us the presence of Christ; May your holy light Keep us shining bright, Ever shine with the presence of Christ.*

\*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise God, all crea - tures here be -  
low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly  
host; Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

\*Prayer of Dedication

Concerns and Celebrations

Prayers of the People

## 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.

### Prayer Response

Amen



## SENDING FORTH IN MISSION

### Messages for Our Life in Community

\*Closing Hymn 315

In the Midst of New Dimensions

*See page 14*

\*Benediction

Postlude

Carillon de Longpont, 24 Pièces en style libre, Op. 31

Louis Vierne

## WORSHIP LEADERS

**Pastor:**

Rev. Jessica Commeret

**Director of Music:**

Clinton Miller

**Lay Reader:**

Dave Healy, Matt Croy, Char Ebersole

**Musicians:**

Chancel Choir; Desra Dabney, flute  
FPC Choral Scholars: Joicy Carvalho, BK Riha,  
Zach Sanford, Cassie Wilson

**A/V Technician:**

Robbie Riffle

# HYMNS FOR WORSHIP

Hymn #280

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

EBENEZER

Stanzas 1: Parts; Stanzas 2 & 3: Melody only

1 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; come with  
 2 We would raise our al - le - lu - ias for the  
 3 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; give us

Pen - te - cos - tal power; give the church a  
 grace of yes - ter - years; for to - mor - row's  
 words of fire and flame. Help our fee - ble

strong - er vi - sion; help us face each cru - cial hour.  
 un - known path - way, hear, O Lord, our hum - ble prayers.  
 lips to praise you, glo - ri - fy your ho - ly name.

Built up - on a firm foun - da - tion, Je - sus Christ, the  
 In the church - 's pil - grim jour - ney you have led us  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One: what



Cor - ner - stone, still the church is called to  
all the way; still in pres - ence move be -  
mys - ter - y! We would sing our loud ho -

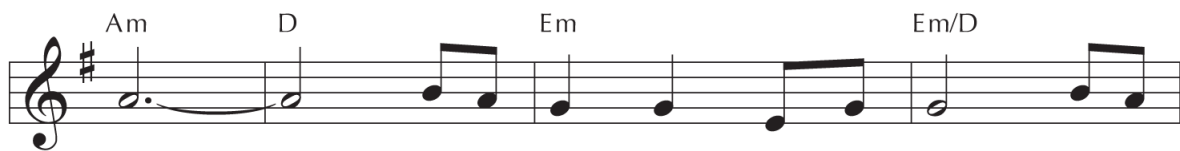
mis - sion that God's love shall be made known.  
fore us, fire by night and cloud by day.  
san - nas now and through e - ter - ni - ty.



1 As the wind song through the trees, as the  
 2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the  
 1 風 之 頌, 林 中 吹 送, 輕 風  
 2 彩 之 虹, 雨 後 高 懸, 生 之



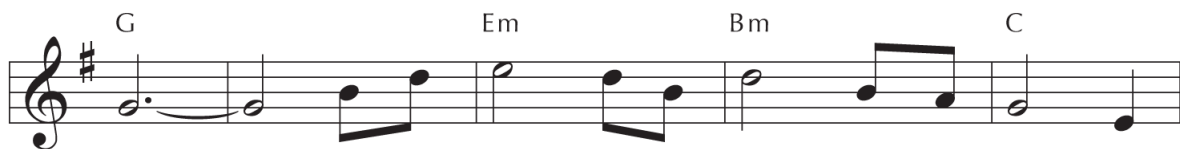
stir - ring of the breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 hope that's born a - gain, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 送, 心 中 振 動, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹  
 盼, 人 間 再 現, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹



God, as the heart made strange-ly warm, as the  
 God, as the green in the spring, as a  
 送; 心 溫 暖, 奇 異 難 明, 風 浪  
 送; 春 天 裡, 青 山 綠 水, 線 上



voice with - in the storm, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 kite on a string, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 中, 靜 聽 主 聲, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹  
 繫 飛 揚 風 箏, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹



God. Nev - er seen, ev - er known where this wind has  
 God, mak - ing worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come  
 送; 眼 不 見, 心 未 明, 風 來 去 何  
 送; 大 地 萬 象 更 新, 和 平 終 實



blown bring-ing life, bring-ing power to the world,  
 true, bring-ing gifts, bring-ing love to the world,  
 蹤, 給 世 人 賜 生 命 加 力 量;  
 現, 給 世 人 帶 來 愛 和 禮 物;



as the danc - ing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de -  
 as the ris - ing of the yeast, as the wine at the  
 火 之 舌, 跳 動 飛 舞, 心 深 處, 朝 思 暮  
 麵 之 酵, 悄 然 膨 升, 盛 宴 上, 醇 香 美



sire, so it is with the Spir - it of God.  
 feast, so it is with the Spir - it of God.  
 想, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。  
 酒, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。

*Refrain*

Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the  
 wil - der-ness, call - ing and free. Spir - it,  
 spir - it of rest - less - ness, stir me from plac - id-ness,  
 wind, wind on the sea. *Fine*

1 You moved on the wa - ters; you called to the  
 2 You swept through the des - ert; you stung with the  
 3 You sang in a sta - ble; you cried from a  
 4 You call from to - mor - row; you break an - cient

deep;  
 sand;  
 hill;  
 schemes;

then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the  
 and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a  
 then you whis-pered in si - lence when the  
 from the bond - age of sor - row the

As the author/composer reminds us in the refrain, the Spirit is both gentle and restless. The stanzas reinforce a sense of the Spirit's activity through a wide range of verbs, initially in the past tense; but they become more urgent in the present tense of the fourth stanza.

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 MUSIC: James K. Manley, 1976  
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SPIRIT  
 Irregular

E A D G

val - leys of sleep; and o - ver the e -  
 law and a land. When they were con - found -  
 whole world was still. And down in the cit -  
 cap - tives dream dreams. Our wom - en see vi -

A G D

ons you called to each thing, "A -  
 ed with i - dols and lies, then you  
 y, you called once a - gain when you  
 sions; our men clear their eyes. With

Bm G

wake from your slum - bers and  
 spoke through your proph - ets to  
 blew through your peo - ple on the  
 bold new de - ci - sions your

A D G/A D A to Refrain

rise on your wings."  
 o - pen their eyes.  
 rush of the wind.  
 peo - ple a - rise.

Verse 1 – All; Verse 2 – Higher voices

Verse 3 – Lower voices; Verses 4 &amp; 5 – All

1 In the midst of new di - men - sions, in the face of  
 2 Through the flood of starv - ing peo - ple, war - ring fac - tions,  
 3 As we stand, a world di - vid - ed by our own self -  
 4 We are man and we are wom - an, all per - sua - sions,  
 5 Should the threats of dire pre - dic - tions cause us to with -

chang - ing ways, who will lead the pil - grim peo - ples  
 and de - spair, who will lift the ol - ive branch - es?  
 seek - ing schemes, grant that we, your glob - al vil - lage,  
 old and young, each a gift in your cre - a - tion,  
 draw in pain, may your blaz - ing phoe - nix spir - it

*Refrain*

wan - dering in their sep - arate ways?  
 Who will light the flame of care?  
 might en - vi - sion wid - er dreams. God of rain - bow, fi - ery pil - lar,  
 each a love song to be sung.  
 res - ur - rect the church a - gain.

lead - ing where the ea - gles soar, we your peo - ple, ours the jour - ney



now and ev - er, now and ev - er, now and ev - er - more.

The image shows a musical score for a vocal melody and a bass accompaniment. The vocal line is written on a treble clef staff, and the bass line is on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are: "now and ev - er, now and ev - er, now and ev - er - more." The music is in a simple, homophonic style, likely for a hymn or a church song. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, while the bass line consists of chords and single notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 18, 2025

## TODAY

### Fellowship

We have coffee, snacks, and conversations starting at 9:30 a.m. and again following worship every Sunday in the Parlor.

### Following Worship

### New Member Reception

#### Following Worship, Fellowship Hall

We welcomed new and returning members this morning in worship! They are Kim Cosiano, Laura Hoffman, Greg and Shannon Phlegar, Mercer Phlegar, and Sarah Wagner. Come and meet our new members!

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## HIGHLIGHTS

### Worship on the Lawn

#### Sunday, May 25, 10:00 a.m., Church Lawn

Join us for our first outdoor worship of the summer season. Bring a blanket, a lawn chair, a hat, and sunscreen as we worship on our beautiful lawn and enjoy God's creation.

## OLDER ADULTS

### Onward and Upward

#### Thursday, June 12, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall.

*Program to be announced.*

Join us for an engaging program followed by a delicious lunch. Invite friends, come and learn, and of course, enjoy lunch!

Contact: Pastor Jessie

## MUSIC MINISTRY

### Pop-Up Choir

#### June 1 & July 6

Throughout the summer, you will have the opportunity to join the choir for a day! Anyone of any age is welcome! We will meet on Sunday morning, June 1, at 9:30 a.m. to rehearse then sing for the Worship Service.

Contact: Clint Miller

### Summer Musicians

Do you want to participate in worship somehow—such as play a prelude, sing a solo, play your instrument on a hymn?

Contact: Clint Miller

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### Women of Faith

#### Mondays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Parlor

This group is open to all women. The only requirement is a desire to continue your faith journey. We discuss a variety of spiritual studies.

Contact: Mary Alice Patrickson

## FELLOWSHIP

### Fellowship "Hour"

#### Sundays, 9:30 a.m. and following worship in the Parlor.

Join us for coffee, water, treats, and social time to gather with friends and greet one another.

Contact: Suzi Healy

### Men's Group

#### Sunday, June 8, 9:00 a.m., Room 211

This group is open to all men of our church and meets on the second Sunday of each month. Let's get to know each other better and share our work and faith stories. Hope to see all of you there.

Contact: Curt Hugunin at 419-957-2038

### Lunch Bunch

#### Thursdays, 12:00 p.m., Room 113

Bring your sack lunch and join the fellowship with one another for a casual lunch time every week! On the second Thursdays, this group joins Onward and Upward.

Contact: Beth Niemeyer

### Knit Wits

#### Fridays, 9:30 a.m., Room 113

Bring your needles, yarn, and great spirit to share time together knitting prayer shawls and other crafts.

Contact: Deb Watson

## WORSHIP

### Sanctuary Flowers for Summer 2025

A sign-up sheet to provide Sanctuary flowers is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. Please select the Sunday(s) you would like to provide Sanctuary flowers for worship.

### Lay Readers Needed for Worship

A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office for those who want to provide leadership in Sunday worship services.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

### Family Faith Formation

**Sunday, June 1, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Home of Pastor Jessie**

We begin with dinner at 5:00 p.m. following food and reflection, we divide up and enjoy a time of Christian Formation for ALL ages. Jessica Commeret will lead adults, Darcy Metcalfe will lead youth, and Meg Ramlow will lead children K-5<sup>th</sup> grade. Childcare will be provided for those 4 years old and younger following dinner.

Contact: Pastor Jessie

### GET CONNECTED

Scan the code to read our weekly E-News Connections.

You can also read in your email.



## MISSION

### Community Dinner

**Sunday, June 8, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Great Room**

The Community Dinner outreach provides a nutritious home-cooked meal on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month to the community. Volunteers meet at 9:00 a.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday to prep the meal. The Community Dinner is a great way to show God's love through the gift of food and fellowship. A sign up to help will be available outside the Church Office or contact Tracy Kennedy.

### Darrel the Barrel

**This month: pull-ups and diapers sizes 3, 4, and 5 for Martha's Home.**

City Mission asks for donations for specific items each month to help feed, house, and care for the unhoused in our community. As we go deeper into partnership with them, particularly Martha's Home, filling Darrel will enable them to use their resources more efficiently for all those who seek their help. The Barrel is located in the Narthex.

### Mobile Food Pantry

**Saturday, August 9, 8:30-10:30 a.m., Great Room**

FPC hosts four mobile food pantry distributions throughout the year in cooperation with Chopin Hall and other community service organizations to provide food for the hungry throughout our community.

Contact: Katie Abbott

### ONLINE GIVING

You can open the camera on your smartphone to scan the QR code and be connected to our Giving page via a link pop up. We encourage you to use this method to give as we pass the offering plate. Thank you!



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