

**Welcome to Pentecost worship!**  
**Today we celebrate God forming the church and pouring out the Holy Spirit upon us. May we sense the Spirit's fire and breath directing us always.**

This worship service can be watched live on YouTube, as it happens, from anywhere with an internet connection. Additionally, past services will be archived, allowing you to stay up-to-date or relive your favorite Sunday morning moments. You can find the link on our website or check it out at <https://bit.ly/FPCLive>

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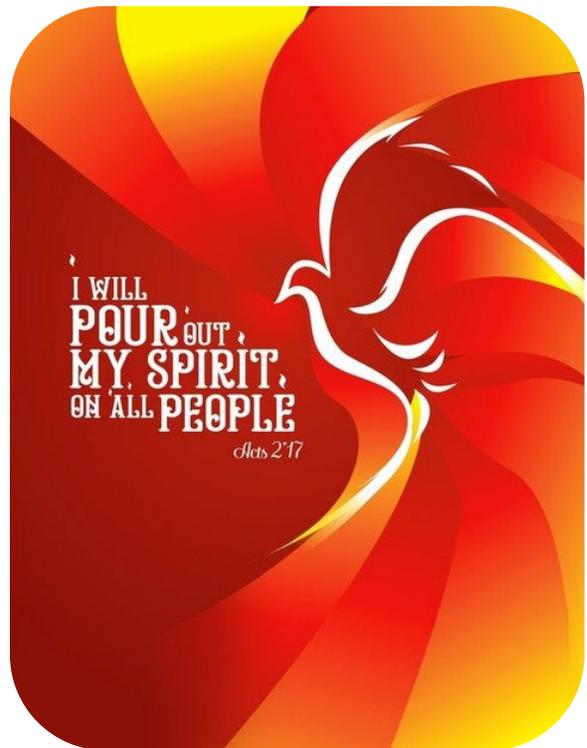
**NOTE: Sheet music for the hymns can be found on the next page or pages.**



***Order of Worship***  
***June 8, 2025***

***Faith Presbyterian Church of Emmaus***

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**THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP  
PENTECOST**

**10:00 AM**

**JUNE 8, 2025**



THE FIRST NOTE OF THE PRELUDE begins our worship.

Please use the prelude time to turn your attention to God's presence and help. Nurturing our relationships and friendships in fellowship is essential to our life as a congregation, so please continue to do so following our time of worship.

*\* Those who are able are invited to stand.*

**FOCUSING UPON GOD'S PRESENCE AND VOICE**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*"Prelude on 'Veni Creator Spiritus'"*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit,

**People: The wind of God, the breath of Life.**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit,

**People: Our Advocate, our Counselor.**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit,

**People: Teacher of Wisdom, Reminder of Christ.**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit,

**People: Granter of forgiveness, giver of peace.**

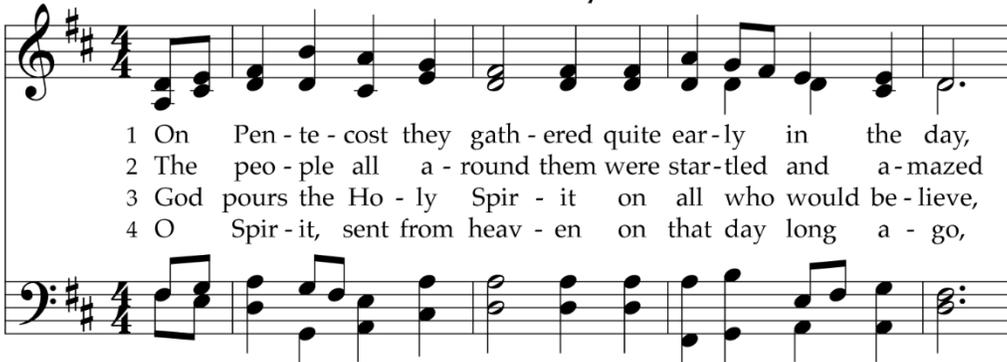
Leader: Come, Holy Spirit.

**People: May we feel God breathing through our worship.**

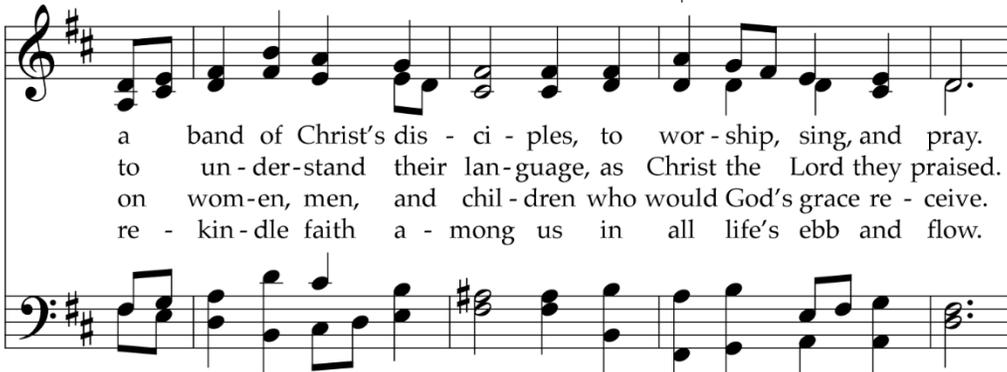
*All: May we receive the Holy Spirit in this place. Amen.*

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

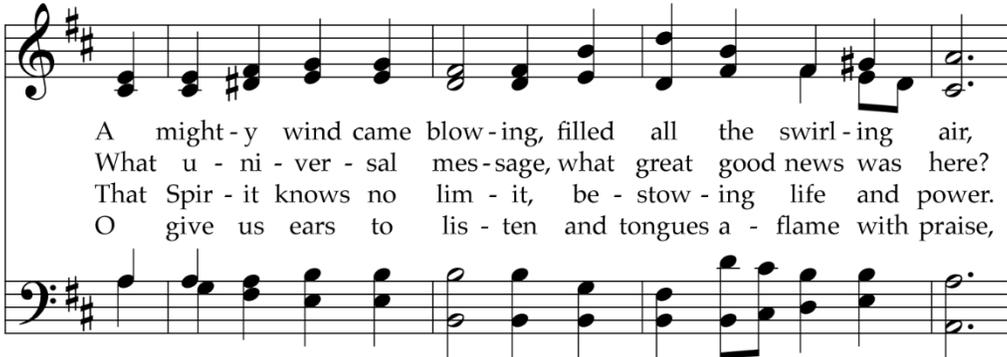
## 289 On Pentecost They Gathered



1 On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered quite ear - ly in the day,  
 2 The peo - ple all a - round them were star - tled and a - mazed  
 3 God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it on all who would be - lieve,  
 4 O Spir - it, sent from heav - en on that day long a - go,



a band of Christ's dis - ci - ples, to wor - ship, sing, and pray.  
 to un - der - stand their lan - guage, as Christ the Lord they praised.  
 on wom - en, men, and chil - dren who would God's grace re - ceive.  
 re - kin - dle faith a - mong us in all life's ebb and flow.



A might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,  
 What u - ni - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?  
 That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.  
 O give us ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,



and tongues of fire a - glow - ing in - spired each per - son there.  
 That Christ, once dead, is ris - en to van - quish all our fear.  
 The church, formed and re - form - ing, re - sponds in ev - ery hour.  
 so folk of ev - ery na - tion glad songs of joy shall raise.

This narrative and interpretive text was written to fill what the author perceived as an unfortunate gap in available hymns concerning the Holy Spirit in general and Pentecost in particular. The setting of a 17th-century German tune is from Mendelssohn's oratorio *Elijah*.

## LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

**Leader:** We gather on this Day of Pentecost with Christians around the world celebrating the gift of God's Spirit poured out on each one of us. But, truth be told, we aren't always good about listening and watching for God's Spirit in our lives. At times we are even fearful of what the Spirit will ask of us or lead us to do. In those moments we would prefer to keep our heads down and hope that God's Spirit will visit someone else and leave us alone. On this Day of Pentecost, let us confess our sin that separates us from God and God's way with us.

**People:** Lord God, you know us too well. You know that we would be like the disciples following the crucifixion and even the resurrection. We would rather hide and mutter and weep, than proclaim the power of your love. The world is a difficult place. We fear so much. We want people to like us, and so we hold back on our proclamation of our faith. We don't want to offend anyone. But your love and presence are not offensive. They are empowering and healing. Bring your holy fire upon us this day to ignite a spark of joy in our hearts and our voices. Bring the power of your rushing wind through our spirits that we may be turned in new directions for service and witness. We pray this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

**Leader:** Lord in your mercy

**People:** hear our prayers.

*(A moment is given for silent confession to God.)*

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

### \*SHARING THE PEACE

**Leader:** Since God has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People:** And also with you.

**Leader:** Let us share our forgiven joy with one another.

## THE WORD OF GOD TO THE CHURCH

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

EZEKIEL 37:1-14

**37** The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup> He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. <sup>3</sup> He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord God, you know.” <sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, “Prophecy to these bones and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. <sup>5</sup> Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath<sup>[a]</sup> to enter you, and you shall live. <sup>6</sup> I will lay sinews on you and will cause flesh to come upon you and cover you with skin and put breath<sup>[b]</sup> in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord.”

<sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I had been commanded, and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. <sup>8</sup> I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them, but there was no breath in them. <sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath:<sup>[c]</sup> Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath,<sup>[d]</sup> and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” <sup>10</sup> I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

<sup>11</sup> Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ <sup>12</sup> Therefore prophecy and say to them: Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people, and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup> And you shall know that I am the Lord when I open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people. <sup>14</sup> I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.”

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>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. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

<sup>18</sup> Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup> Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

MESSAGE

*“Bone-Rattling Power”*

\*HYMN

# Breathe on Me, Breath of God 286

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life a - new,  
 2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,  
 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,  
 4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,

that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.  
 un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.  
 un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.  
 but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

In both Hebrew and Greek, the words for “spirit” can equally well be translated as “breath” or “wind,” so it is very appropriate to address the Holy Spirit as the “Breath of God.” This tune by an English organist has become the customary one in North American hymnals.

TEXT: Edwin Hatch, 1878  
MUSIC: Robert Jackson, 1888

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SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS  
INTERCESSIONS AND PETITIONS  
THE LORD’S PRAYER

*Glory to God Hymnal – Pg. 35*  
*(Please use “debts & debtors”.)*

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY

*“Devotional Moments #2”*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN

# 291 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

## Spirit

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.



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

### \*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

### *“O Worship the King”*

*Please feel free to sit and reflect during the postlude or depart and join us in Fellowship Hall.*



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# Faith Life

June 8, 2025

We hope you'll join us following worship for beverages, snacks, and fellowship.

## Our Guest Pastor

Since January 2023, the Rev. Stephen Emick is an honorably retired minister member of Lehigh Presbytery and pastor emeritus of First Presbyterian Church in Allentown where he served for 28 years. In retirement Stephen enjoys gardening, woodworking, researching family history, volunteering at Lehigh Valley Hospital and Steamtown National Historic Site in Scranton, and organizing a staff alumni association for Goose Pond Scout Reservation in the Poconos. Stephen is co-moderator of the Merger Team bringing together Lehigh and Lackawanna Presbyteries into one presbytery, Mountain Laurel Presbytery. Stephen and his wife, Barbara, are originally from Scranton and are sixth generation Presbyterians. They have two young adult daughters - Allison is married and a nurse and Emily is a PhD student in economics at Brown University. **Please make Pastor Emick welcome this morning!**

## Daybreak Dinner—Tomorrow

Faith Church cooks and serves a meal at Daybreak on the second Monday of each month, from 1:30 to 4:30 pm. Over the past couple of years, we've lost many of our cookie bakers. Can you find the time to bake a batch or two and drop them off by noon tomorrow?

- Helpers are also needed, especially cooks, from approx. 1:30 to 4:30pm. (Meet at the church @ 1:30 p.m. The carpool leaves from the church!)
- Drop cookies or other baked goods off in the kitchen by noon tomorrow. Because of possible nut allergies, please mark cookies that have nuts in them. Sugar-free cookies are also appreciated.
- If you are making cookies/brownies/treats for Daybreak, there are bags for individual wrapping in a container in the church kitchen. You can find it between the refrigerator and the freezer, and it is clearly marked. Please feel free to help yourself until they are gone.
- The clients at Daybreak very much enjoy all the choices of home baked goodies that we are able to provide! The number we are serving is running between 80 to 100. Many thanks to all for baking and bringing individual servings ready to go.

For more information, speak with Carolyn Baittinger or Zona Farmer. Don't pass up this very easy opportunity to "do unto others."

## Pentecost Offering "I will pour out my spirit on every kind of people" ACTS 2:17



A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. 40% of the Pentecost offering can be retained by individual congregations wanting to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own community. The remaining 60% is used to support ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency:

- The **Young Adult Volunteer** program (25%) is a one year service opportunity for young adults from 19 to 30 years. YAVs live in intentional Christian community, deepening and developing their faith while serving alongside partners across the United States and around the world. YAVs serve for one academic year, August - July, as they explore God's calling in their lives.
- The **Ministries for Youth** (25%) program provides many online resources for youth and youth leaders such as: Presbyterian Youth Book Club, Quick Sheets and d365.org., an online youth devotional. It also helps fund the Youth Triennium.
- The **Child Advocacy** program (10%) is working to improve the quality of education for over 1 million children, focusing on reducing the rate of dropouts and strengthening early childhood education.

Faith Presbyterian Church will use the 40% that we receive to support East Penn School District ANGEL NETWORKS. Angel Networks help children at risk by providing basic assistance to students in need on an immediate, short term basis; supporting students' ability to focus on learning in school; and giving anonymously in the true spirit of community. They provide students with basic necessities such as EMERGENCY groceries, clothing on an individual basis, curriculum-based field trips, academic expenses, and personal need products.

**We are dedicating the PENTECOST Offering today, Pentecost Sunday.** In 2024 we received **\$2,220.00** with **\$888.00** going to the **ANGEL NETWORKS**. The Ministry to the Community Committee added an additional \$1,112.00 to allow us to send \$1,000.00 to the Angel Networks at Lincoln Elementary and Jefferson Elementary.

Please prayerfully consider participating in this offering and BUILDING UP THE BODY of CHRIST!!

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## Summer Church Office Hours

Tuesday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to Noon  
Closed Mondays and Fridays

# VOLUNTEER TODAY!

ARE YOU WILLING TO SERVE?

## The Nursery Needs You!



We are seeking volunteers to assist in the nursery during worship time. If you haven't obtained your clearances yet, we can help you with the process. Here are the dates when volunteers are needed:

- June 22
- Please check the board for July dates.

To sign up, please write your name on the whiteboard in the narthex or reach out to Sally Heimbach. Remember, helpers will need their clearances. Thank you!

## Worship Assistants Needed



Assisting during worship is easier than you might think! We provide clear, step-by-step instructions along with all necessary materials. Everything is prepped for you! However, we still need volunteers.

- Please check the board for July dates when a worship assistant is needed.

To sign up, write your name on the whiteboard in the narthex or contact Sally Heimbach. Thank you!

## Fellowship Hosts Needed



Everyone enjoys the fellowship time after worship, as it's a great opportunity to connect with your church family! Hosting is simple, and instructions are provided, but we still need volunteers. Here are the dates when hosts are needed:

- June 22
- Please check the board for July dates.

To sign up, write your name on the whiteboard in the narthex or contact Tim Bagnull or Andy Ingram. Thank you!

## Ushers Needed



We are in search of volunteers to serve as ushers on Sunday mornings. It's a straightforward role, with reminders and instructions at hand. Please check the sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. If you would like more information, feel free to speak with Anne Laubach.

- Please consult the sheet for various summer dates!

# WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**June 15** - "The Call of Wisdom"  
Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

**June 22** - "By Faith Alone"  
Galatians 3:23-29



Messages to be shared via the Prayer Chain may be emailed directly to [prayers@faithchurchemmaus.org](mailto:prayers@faithchurchemmaus.org). Messages can also be sent through a form on the Prayer Requests page of the church website.

## Pastoral Care Needs

For medical emergencies or death, contact Pastor Rebecca, or contact the Moderator of Deacons, Yvonne Stauffer. Contact information is in the directory.



**Daybreak – June 9**  
**Flyer deadline—August 17**  
**2025 Per Capita—\$50.00**

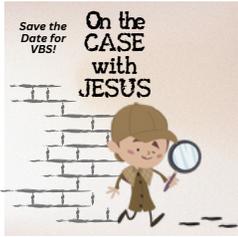
## Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Scan this QR code to donate to aid disaster relief, or send a check with PDA in the memo line, mail to:

Presbyterian Disaster c/o  
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
P.O. Box 643700  
Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700



There are several specific disasters on the PDA website. You can give directly to any one of them, or let PDA determine where best to use your donation.



## Join us for Vacation Bible School

July 21-24

6-8:00 p.m.

### Detectives Wanted

The Ministry to the Congregation is looking for helpers for this year's VBS program On the CASE with JESUS.

- Pastor Becki and her furry friend TURQ will lead the story time.
- John Shilankas will be the music man.
- The Schreck's will again be the craft masters.
- Kellee Brown and Pastor Jo Marchetto will lead the kids in the science lab.
- Heather Davis will be whipping up some tasty snacks.
- Our mission project will be the Teachers' Closet.

Along with our partner church, The BARN, we are looking for a leader for the games portion of the VBS program. We are also looking for folks to be group leaders, game helpers, photographers and snack helpers. If you do not have your clearances, we will assist you in getting them.

If you are interested or want additional information, please contact Pam Mongi or Sally Heimbach. Registration forms can be found at church, or you can use the one in the summer issue of The Faith Flyer.

### Concert at 1:30 p.m. Today!

Join us for a delightful performance by the **Emmaus Chorale**, which includes many members from Faith Church. They will be presenting **SING AS ONE! Tales of Lore, Love, and Memories** in our sanctuary.



*Volunteers Needed on Sundays!  
Please see the 2<sup>nd</sup> page for details.*



Our High School youth will be heading off to work camp again this summer. Each of our work campers will be seeking three dog tag sponsors. We hope you will consider becoming a sponsor for one of them. With a suggested donation of \$75, you will be supporting them and the important work they do.

As a sponsor, you will receive a set of dog tags that symbolize your bond with your camper. These tags will serve as a constant reminder of the impact you are making in their lives. You'll also receive a devotion booklet for keeping them and all of our work campers and their mission in your daily prayers.

All work camp dog tag sponsors can send their support by writing a check to "Faith Presbyterian Church" and include "workcamp" on the memo line.



### Faith Feeds Garden !!!It's Time to Play in the Dirt!

All of our crops are planted. Let Sally Heimbach know if you are able to help going forward.

- Waterers:** people to water the garden when needed,
- Weeders:** people to keep the weeds under control, and
- Harvesters:** people to pick, clean, and package the produce for distribution



Faithful Musical Moments are coming this summer. These are opportunities for everyone to share their musical talents during the Prelude, Offertory, and/or Postlude moments of the service.

Please see John Shilankas if you need help selecting repertoire, need an accompanist on piano, organ, or tenor saxophone, or have any other questions.

#### **Summer Chime Time**

(pop-up Bell Choir) dates:  
6/29, 7/20, 8/17

#### **Summer Sing**

(pop-up Chancel Choir) dates:  
7/27, 8/10

## Two Weeks of Faith

This calendar is prepared days ahead of distribution.  
Please see the church [website](#) for the most up-to-date information.



**Key**  
BR Brick Room  
FH Fellowship Hall  
MR Music Room  
P Parlor  
PL Parking Lot  
S Sanctuary  
Z Zoom

### This Week

#### **Sunday, June 8: Pastor Vacation Week**

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service: Pentecost Offering  
1:30 p.m. - Emmaus Chorale Concert/Reception (S/FH)

#### **Monday, June 9: Church Office Closed**

8:00 a.m. - Outside Use  
1:30 p.m. - Daybreak Meal  
7:00 p.m. - Emmaus Chorale (FH)

#### **Tuesday, June 10**

3:00 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
7:00 p.m. - Session (BR)

#### **Wednesday, June 11**

8:00 a.m. - Rotary Food Program (FH)  
9:30 a.m. - Women of Faith (BR)  
7:00 p.m. - EPNHN (P)

#### **Thursday, June 12**

3:30 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
7:00 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

#### **Friday, June 13: Church Office Closed**

#### **Saturday, June 14**

### Next Week

#### **Sunday, June 15**

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service

#### **Monday, June 16: Church Office Closed**

7:00 p.m. - Ministry to the Community (P)

#### **Tuesday, June 17**

3:00 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
7:00 pm - Deacons' Meeting (BR)

#### **Wednesday, June 18**

8:00 a.m. - Rotary Food Program (FH)  
9:30 a.m. - Women of Faith (BR)

#### **Thursday, June 19: Juneteenth**

3:30 p.m. - Sound Sprouts (2)  
7:00 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous (FH)

#### **Friday, June 20: Church Office Closed**

#### **Saturday, June 21**

10:00 am - Quilters (FH)

### Have Your Paid Your Per Capita?

The per capita payment has portions sent to the presbytery, the synod, and General Assembly to help pay for the operation expenses of those organizations.

As of **6/4**, we have received **\$3,148** toward our yearly total due of \$9,450. The 2025 apportionment per member is \$50. You can pay your per capita online, or by check made payable to Faith Presbyterian Church.

### Are You Getting the Info You Need?

Faith Church has four email lists. Are you interested in being added to one or more of them? Please indicate your interest, add your email address, tear off this tab, and drop in the offering plate.

- Weekly Announcements     Quarterly Newsletter  
 Prayer Chain                 Emergency Alerts

Name & email: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### **Mark Your Calendars!**

#### **June 23..... Office Admin vacation week**

- Jul. 4..... Independence Day
- Jul. 5-13..... Work Camp: East Bank, WV
- Jul. 13..... Workcamp Sunday
- Jul. 14..... Daybreak
- Jul. 20..... Ripple
- Jul. 21-24..... Vacation Bible School
- Aug. 17..... Fall Newsletter Deadline
- Aug. 25-31..... Pastor's vacation
- Sep. 1..... Labor Day, church office closed
- Sep. 8..... Daybreak, Regular Office Hours resume
- Sep. 21-28..... Pastor's vacation/study leave
- Sep. 28..... Peace & Global Witness
- Oct. 5..... Joint Worship with The Barn
- Oct. 13..... Daybreak
- Oct. 19..... Crop Hunger Walk
- Nov. 8..... Presbytery Meeting @ Faith
- Nov. 16..... Winter Newsletter Deadline
- Nov. 30..... Advent Begins
- Dec. 6..... Craft Fair
- Dec. 8..... Daybreak
- Dec. 25..... Christmas
- Dec. 25-Jan 4..... Pastor's vacation



# PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERINGS

CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

APRIL 21-JUNE 8, 2025

## A FOUNDATION OF FAITH

established during  
childhood through  
young adulthood  
helps ensure lifelong  
faith and service.

When you give to the  
Pentecost Offering,  
you are helping to  
provide opportunities  
for young people to  
grow and share in  
their faith in Christ.



### WAYS TO GIVE —



Through your congregation



Text PENTECOST  
to 91999 to support  
these vital ministries



Give online at  
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The Pentecost Offering is one of four annual special offerings. The church-wide Special Offerings of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) play an important role in defining what it means to be a connectional church in the twenty-first century, bringing together the diversity of the PC (USA) to focus and take faith-based action on shared concerns. The Offerings offer opportunities for partnership, learning and witness, and profoundly affect the life of the church as a collective witness to Jesus Christ's love for the whole church.



# PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERINGS

CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

# "I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT ON EVERY KIND OF PEOPLE."

— ACTS 2:17, THE MESSAGE

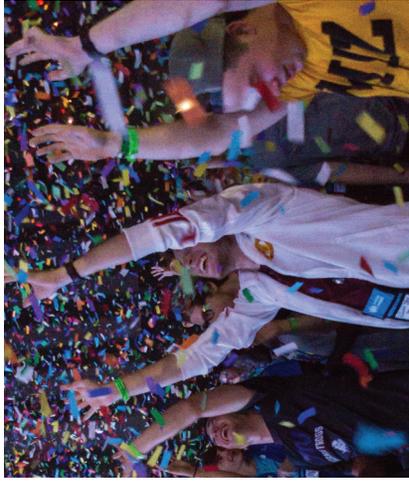


Uniting Presbyterians in support of young people sharing their faith, ideas and gifts with the Church and the world.

***“Please give generously to the Pentecost Offering because it’s important that young people like me are given the resources we need to thrive within the church.”***

— Grack Blackstock, Presbyterian Youth Triennium  
Worship Ministry Team Member, Denver, Colorado

Held every three years, the Presbyterian Youth Triennium is a gathering that draws over 3,000 high-school-age youth, youth leaders and young adults from the U.S. and internationally for four days of worship, recreation, bible study, outreach, and faith formation. The 2025 event will be held July 28-31 in Louisville.



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YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTEERS

The Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) program is a faith-based year of service in sites across the U.S. and around the world that has been changing the lives of young people ages 19-30 for nearly three decades. YAVs work with local agencies to address root causes of poverty and reconciliation while exploring the meaning of their Christian faith.

***“Our slogan, ‘A year of service for a lifetime of change,’ is really true. I love the way the young adults are ‘transformed’ through their service.”***

— Destini Hodges, coordinator of the YAV program

## **“I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT”**

Through our gifts to the Pentecost Offering, we join together to support the faith of young people all around the world who enrich the Church with their creativity and vibrancy. We are there to work to correct the lack of access to education for children-at-risk, nurture the faith and vocation of youth and create space for young adults to explore and grow as leaders in Christ’s church.

This Offering helps our young people begin life with a strong start in the years from childhood through young adulthood that will last a lifetime.

**40%**  
**STAYS WITH YOUR CONGREGATION**  
to support ministries with children, youth, and young adults.

**25%**  
**SUPPORTS YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTEERS (YAV),** serving in communities around the world, and growing as leaders through transformative Christian service.

**25%**  
**SUPPORTS MINISTRIES WITH YOUTH**  
including the Presbyterian Youth Triennium.

**10%**  
**IS DEVOTED TO CHILDREN AT-RISK**  
and supports to improve education and provide safe havens.

## **WON'T YOU JOIN US?**

Please give generously...  
for if we all do a little, it adds up to a lot.