



# The First Presbyterian Church

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## The Celebration of Worship Confirmation and Pentecost Sunday

May 31, 2009

10:00 AM

Worship is broadcast at 11 AM on WCHS-580AM

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.

Large print hymnals, Bibles and hearing devices, as well as information about child care and other church programs are available from any usher.

All children are welcome and encouraged to participate in worship.

Clipboards, children's Bibles and books to borrow during worship are located at the entrances.

### We Gather

#### TIME FOR PREPARATION

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Acts 2:1-4

#### VOLUNTARY

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us  
Capella Bell Choir; Sarah Lynch, director

*Williams, arr. McKlveen*

#### MARKING OF THE HOUR

### We Praise God

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Lauren Pearcy

Leader: When God's people gather for worship,  
All: Surely the Spirit of God is in this place.  
Leader: When every voice is heard and everyone made welcome,  
All: Surely the Spirit of God is in this place.  
Leader: When every age and all colors are welcome,  
All: Surely the Spirit of God is in this place. Let us worship God.

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 120 Hail Thee, Festival Day! SALVE FESTA DIES

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION Anna Chambers

\*RESPONSE 322 Spirit of the Living God LIVING GOD

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Kate Webster

Holy Spirit, Lord, Giver of Life, we remember and celebrate Your power this day, but not too much, for we are afraid of Your power. You blow where You choose. We cannot control You. We often act as if You do not exist, or fail to see Your work among those unlike ourselves. Spirit of God, forgive our fear. Blow through us this day! Give our young new visions and our old new dreams, enlivening Your church again.

Please continue to pray silently.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Jennifer Stilwell

WELCOME AND CELEBRATION OF FRIENDSHIP Bill McCoy

Please sign the friendship pad placed at pew's end, and greet each other by name.  
Visitors are invited to wear the button found in the friendship pad.

MINUTE FOR MISSION Lynda Strickland

\*PASSING THE PEACE

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

\*HYMN 128 On Pentecost They Gathered MUNICH

We Declare our Faith

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

The Presentation of the Confirmands

Michael Basile	Maggie Graney	Jake St. Jean
Michael Case	Liza Johnson	Jennifer Stilwell
Anna Chambers	Parker Kuyk	Caroline Walker
Alex Couch	Tripp Nelson	Kate Webster
Jack Crockett	Lauren Percy	Kris Webster
David Fluharty	Kaitlyn Richardson	Blair Wessels

Profession of Faith of the Confirmands

Congregational Prayer for Discipleship

Almighty God, as You bind these young people to Yourself through faith, renew in every worshiper a commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Send forth these young people in the power of Your Spirit to perform the service You have set before them through Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*Congregational response

HYMN 579

*Glory 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, Amen.*

Laying on of Hands

Charge to the Confirmands

We Give Thanks to God

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

Jake St. Jean

Offertory

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship  
Capella Bell Choir; Sarah Lynch, director

Moore, arr. Littleton

\*Doxology (Please stand and sing)

HYMN 591

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

Kris Webster

Armed with the truth of Your love, O God, You send us into the world to radiate the joy of new life. Accept our efforts, and make them productive in fulfilling Your will. Enhance our gifts with the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. In all that we do, challenge us to be obedient to the call of Jesus Christ, to walk in faithfulness, and to respond to the tasks You assign us. Amen.

The Word is Proclaimed

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:1-21

Pew Bible, NT. p. 119

SERMON

Jack Crockett

PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Come Just As You Are  
(See insert)

words and music: Joseph Sabolick

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Salutation: The Lord be with you.  
And also with you.

Sursum Corda:

Lift up your hearts.  
We lift them up to the Lord.  
Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.  
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Sanctus: *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory.  
Glory be to Thee, O Lord most high.*

Eucharistic Prayer and the Lord's Prayer Jim Roberts

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

Distribution of the Elements (Gluten-free wafers are located in the center of each bread plate.)

Anthem for Communion Canticle for Pentecost Erik Routley

*I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh.*

*Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy. Your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.*

*I will pray the Father and He will give you another Counselor to be with you forever.*

*When the Spirit of Truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth.*

*The Counselor, the Holy Spirit Whom the Father will send in My name,  
He will teach you all things, bring to remembrance all that I have said to you.*

*And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind,  
and it filled the house where they were sitting and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.*

*Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought,  
but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words.*

The Geneva Choir; Carole Carter, soloist

\*CONCLUDING HYMN Shine, Jesus, Shine Kendrick  
(See insert)

\*INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND BENEDICTION Claire Butler

\*HYMN OF PARTING Let Every Christian Pray LAUDES DOMINI

*Let every Christian pray, this day and every day: Come, Holy Spirit, Come!  
Instruct, inspire, unite, and help us see Your light: Come, Holy Spirit, Come!*

\*VOLUNTARY A Mighty Fortress Is Our God Johann Pachelbel  
Fred Gaul, organist

The asterisks (\*) invite you to stand if it is comfortable for you to do so.

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: *Restrooms and water fountains* are found through the double doors to the left of the chancel; please  
: accompany children.  
: *Childcare:* Nursery and Rooms 113 and 114; Kathy Bruner, Helen Liu and Cindy Wilson  
: *Elder Visitation:* Bob McEldowney, Suzanne Meyer, Okey Moffatt, Nikki Moses  
: *The Flowers in the Sanctuary* are given for the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert M. Steptoe,  
: father of Sally Hazard, by Sprague and Sally Hazard; and by the Holbrook family for the glory of God and in  
: loving memory of George Holbrook, Nancy Holbrook, Frances Holbrook, Dell W. and Nita Orth.  
: *Greeters today are:* Mary Craig, Barbara Gessner, Mark Holmes, Naomi Krieg

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THANK YOU!

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