



Veni Sancti Spiritus, ca. 1965. Artist: Kossowski, Adam*

Service for the Lord's Day

**June 8, 2025
Day of Pentecost**

Gathering Around the Word of Worship

Gathering Music

Mike Kanan

Striking of the Hour

Prelude *Veni Creator en taille à 5 (Plein jeu)*
Nicolas de Grigny

Welcome

We Rise in Spirit and in Body

Call to Worship (responsive)

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us; we dwell in him and he in us.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him, and speak of all his marvelous works.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was and is and is to come!

Opening Hymn 20

All Things Bright and Beautiful

ROYAL OAK

Call to Confession

Prayer of Adoration and Confession (unison)

Spirit of God, from the very beginning your glory has swept over the creation, filling all with freedom and life. You inspire the people with words that build up and create community. But in fear we build walls and barriers. We assume and stereotype. We devalue diversity and stick with what is comfortable and familiar. Forgive our lack of courage. Embolden us to cross borders and boundaries of difference. Fill us with your Holy Spirit that gathers us together and calls us to build beloved community. Amen.

Silence is observed for Personal Confession

Confessional Anthem

KYRIE

*Lord, have mercy upon us,
Christ, have mercy upon us,
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Declaration of Good News (responsive)

Peter proclaimed, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." Know that in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and set free. Alleluia!

Alleluia! Thanks be to God.

Passing the Peace of Christ (responsive)

The gift of the Spirit is the gift of wholeness, the Shalom of God. The peace of God be with you.

Shalom! Peace be with you.

A Time with Young Christians (children welcomed to the front of the sanctuary)

Hearing the Word

All Sit

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Spirit of God, on Pentecost you came upon the gathered disciples in wind and fire. Today, as your word is read and proclaimed, may your wind clear out the fog of our confusion and may your fire inspire our hearts, that we may share your good news with the world. Amen.

New Testament Reading

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "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.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Anthem

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

Michael Burkhardt

All Stand

Gospel Reading

John 14:14-17, 25-27

Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. 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.

'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 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. 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.

All Sit

Sermon

Wind, Fire, and Wine

Kyle Otterbein

Responding to the Word

All Stand

Response Hymn 289

On Pentecost They Gathered

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Affirmation of Faith (unison)

from *The Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church....In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace....With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

All Sit

Offering

Call to Offering

Offertory

We've Got the Spirit

Pepper Choplin

All Stand

Doxology

DOXOLOGY

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

Most Generous God, you have blessed us with gifts to serve and share. May the offerings we present today help us share good news and acts of love with all who long to be made whole. Amen.

All Sit

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

A Moment of Silence

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

Bearing and Following the Word into the Created World

All Stand

Closing Hymn 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

Benediction

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter C. Lutkin

Postlude

Komm, Gott Schöpfer, heiliger Geist, BWV 667

J. S. Bach

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LECTIONARY FOR SUNDAY JUNE 15: Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1–5; John 16:12–15.

TODAY

DEACON OF THE WEEK this week will be Fred Kernohan and Evan Goad. Deacons assist the Pastor in caring for our congregation. You may contact them through the church office: 270-843-4707.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES will meet today at 9:15 a.m. It will conclude an hour later in time for 10:30 a.m. church service.

BUCK IN A BASKET for today will go to support the Food Pantry. Buck in a Basket Offering is a twice a month opportunity to consider contributing during the offering for a particular mission not included in our regular budget.

SUGGESTED OFFICER NOMINATIONS 2025 This is a friendly reminder to turn in your Officer Nomination Form today with your suggested candidates for Deacons and Elders. Officer Nomination Forms are also available outside the office in the lobby.

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION You are cordially invited to the New Member Reception today at noon. We welcome all members to come and celebrate our newest members. We look forward to seeing you there.

THE AFTER CHURCH EATING OUT GROUP will **NOT** meet during the summer months. They will resume after Labor Day.

COMING UP:

LIVING WATERS CLASS Want another way to experience growth in our resurrection life? Join Pastor Kyle in a special Bible Study this Wednesday, June 11. Living Water: Watershed Moments in the Scriptures will explore key passages in the Bible that help shape our central Christian understanding and life in Christ. You may choose to come at either 10:30 a.m. or 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

OTHER NEWS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be June 8-11 from 5:00-7:30 p.m. The theme is Wild Wonder. Children will be invited to delight in God as creator, redeemer, and sustainer of all living things by immersing them in the wonders of the created world. A registration form is now available online for participants. Please scan the QR code to visit link:



If you are interested in volunteering for the 2025 Vacation Bible School, please scan the QR code to visit the link to sign up:



NEW SCULPTURED PIECES We are pleased to announce new sculptured pieces in the Ladies Parlor. The Cock and Hen were sculpted by Grace Allan Smyth (GAS, Jr. 1907-1994), and were displayed at the Philadelphia School of Fine Arts in 1939. At the feet of the cock are coins symbolic of Judas' betrayal of Jesus. The key represents the Keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus told Peter before the cock crows today, you will betray me three times. The two pieces were gifted to the church by the niece of the Sculptor, Ruth Vardell Smyth Brown.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CIRCLES will **NOT** meet during the Summer months but will reconvene in September. The Tuesday Evening Circle will meet in June but **NOT** July (this is the only Circle that will reconvene in August).

SATURDAY MEALS On June 21 (Date Correction), we need the following volunteers to participate in the Saturday Meals at First Baptist Church:

- 11 Volunteers to deliver meals. Arrive at 8:30 a.m.
- 5 Volunteers to set up and sort donated foodstuffs 6:30 a.m.
- 4 Kitchen volunteers to assist with packaging the meal 8:15 a.m.

We are usually finished with deliveries and clean up by 9:45 a.m. Please contact Susan Thomison at Susan.thomison1@gmail.com or call 270-791-6950 if you would like to volunteer.

ART EXHIBIT We are pleased to announce a new exhibit of watercolors by seven local artists: Misha Ambrosia, Betsy Patel, Delare Rowe, Chandra Carter, Margaret Ann King, Sylvi Alexander and Belinda Settlemaier. Soft or bold, always vibrant, watercolor produces stunning artworks with an ethereal quality. The church exhibit space in the fellowship hall is greatly appreciated by artists and our privilege to enjoy. The art will be on display in the Fellowship Hall from May 23-Jul 17. Everyone is welcomed to come and enjoy this Exhibit.

LAY READERS NEEDED FOR JUNE/JULY A signup page is online for lay readers in the coming weeks. If you are willing to serve one Sunday, please scan the QR code to visit this link and sign up for a date. Lay reader information will be emailed on the Friday prior to the date. Thank you!



NEWSLETTER FOLDERS/SEALERS A signup page is online for upcoming months for Newsletter folders/sealers. If you are willing to volunteer to help in the office with this task, scan the QR code to visit this link and sign up for a date, contact Robin by phone at 270-843-4707, or email at info@bgpres.org.



WELCOME VISITORS!

We invite you to pick up visitor's information on your way out, either in the narthex or on the table on the right in the downstairs entrance hall. Ushers will be standing by to help you find them. Always know that a cordial greeting is extended by the minister, officers, and congregation.

Clerk of Session: Debbie Trickey **Treasurer:** Steve Moore

Elders: Class of 2025- Karol Kirby Ahmed, Buzz English, Pamela Napier, Julia Roberts, Julie Wedge; Class of 2026- Pam Bratcher, Rachel Crocker, J.B. Hines, Susan Howard, Mike Kanan; Class of 2027-Sam Evans, Nathan Love, Susan Thomison, Debbie Trickey, Larry Warden **Deacons:** Class of 2025- Barbara Brindle, Craig Long, Teri Polen, Ernie Small, Dan Stelling, Fred Trickey; Class of 2026- Phil Burkeen, Kim Ferguson, Kathy Higgins, Brianna Trickey; Class of 2027-Trudy Burkeen, Georgeanna Capito, Sally Calkins, Nancy Carwell, Evan Goad, Frederica Kernohan

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Calendar

Sunday, June 8

8:30 a.m. Fellowship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:15 a.m. Children's Music
9:45 a.m. Godly Play
10:30 a.m. Worship

Monday, June 9

9:00 a.m. GOD/DOG is Love
5:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday, June 10

9:30 a.m. Chair Yoga
11:00 a.m. Special Care
7:00 p.m. Sunny 16 Camera Club
7:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening Circle

Wednesday, June 11

7:00 a.m. Breakfast Group
10:30 a.m. Living Waters Class
5:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
5:30 p.m. Living Waters Class
6:30 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting

Friday, June 13

7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast Group

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