

**May 19, 2024; 9:00 am**  
Day of Pentecost

## **We Gather Together**

*Welcome to today's Service of Worship. Whether you are with us in person, joining us live on zoom, watching on our YouTube channel, or listening on KFIZ, we are glad you are here. For those in person, please use the time before worship to fill in the Friendship Pad in your pew. We extend a special welcome to our visitors, and if you have not already received your welcome gift, please pick one up as you leave the sanctuary after worship.*

*Copies of the Glory to God hymnal and Common English Bibles are available at the back of the sanctuary for your use during worship.*

**Prelude: "We Gather Together"**

Kristina A.

*Dutch Hymn Tune, Arranged by Jan Sanborn*

**Welcome & Announcements**

*Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin*

**Ringling of the Bell and entrance of the Light of Christ**

**Opening Scripture: Acts 2:1-21 (Common English Bible)**

(page 119 in the pew Bible, page 1324 Common English Bible)

When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak.

There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. They were surprised and amazed, saying, "Look, aren't all the people who are speaking Galileans, every one of them? How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language? Parthians, Medes, and

Elamites; as well as residents of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the regions of Libya bordering Cyrene; and visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the mighty works of God in our own languages!” They were all surprised and bewildered. Some asked each other, “What does this mean?” Others jeered at them, saying, “They’re full of new wine!”

Peter stood with the other eleven apostles. He raised his voice and declared, “Judeans and everyone living in Jerusalem! Know this! Listen carefully to my words! These people aren’t drunk, as you suspect; after all, it’s only nine o’clock in the morning! Rather, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

*In the last days, God says,  
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.  
Your sons and daughters will prophesy.  
Your young will see visions.  
Your elders will dream dreams.  
Even upon my servants, men and women,  
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,  
and they will prophesy.  
I will cause wonders to occur in the heavens above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood and fire and a cloud of smoke.  
The sun will be changed into darkness,  
and the moon will be changed into blood,  
before the great and spectacular day of the Lord comes.  
And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.*

### **\*Call to Worship**

*Carol W.*

With tongues of flame, the Holy Spirit descends  
to burn in our hearts anew.

#### **Unite us, Holy Spirit!**

Like the rush of wind, we sense God’s presence  
blowing afresh throughout the world.

#### **Unite us, Holy Spirit!**

Across the barriers of language and culture,  
Christ’s message of love and grace is heard.

#### **Unite us, Holy Spirit!**

Divine Advocate, we seek your guidance  
as we search for the Spirit of Truth.  
**Unite us, Holy Spirit! Amen.**

**\* Opening Prayer**

Holy One, ignite within us a fiery passion to become your mission in the world today. Warm us by the Spirit's dancing tongues of flame, that we may feel your kindling blaze within, urging us to be your people. Make us wholly present to experience a new birth, and awaken possibilities within us to embrace your love in the world. In this love and abundance, we come to celebrate your harvest—a harvest bearing the first fruits of the Spirit within us. Show us how to use these gifts, as we listen for your truth in the gentle breeze of your Spirit.  
**AMEN.**

**\* Opening Hymn: GTG 409 "God Is Here!"**

*Nancy P., Cantor*

**\*Call to Confession**

*Carol W.*

Feel the Spirit of God moving in your soul. Listen to the Spirit speaking to you of hope and wholeness. Trust the promises God has made that new life is our inheritance. Join me as we open ourselves to God's healing Spirit, as we pray, saying,

**\*Prayer of Confession**

*Carol W.*

**We aren't ready, Lord. It is easier for us to hide in the upper rooms of our lives, to let the world go by and not acknowledge your presence. But you have challenged us to come alive again with your love and words of healing mercy. Forgive our hesitant witness and our complacent spirits. Heal our fears and our wounds. Help us to be agents of healing and hope for others.**

*Silent Confession*

*(In the silence of our hearts we confess our sins to God.)*

God of grace and power, **challenge and inspire us to overcome our feelings of inadequacy and remind us that you have called us beloved and have given us what we need to proclaim your Good News. In Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.**

### **\*Assurance of Pardon**

Don't be afraid! God's Holy Spirit brings you healing comfort and hope. You are being prepared to serve God in some mighty ways. Rejoice!

**God's Holy Spirit is always with us. AMEN.**

### **\*Sharing God's Peace**

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!**

*(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you using the ancient formula 'The Peace of Christ.' 'And also, with you.' Please be mindful of those who do not wish to shake hands or be too close. **We encourage you to use this time to send a text or emoji to someone who cannot be here.**)*

**\*Sung Response:** PH 577 "Glory be to the Father"

*arr. Richard K. Avery & Donald S. Marsh*

## **Graduate and Scholarship Recognition**

### **God's Word Is Proclaimed**

**Psalm Reading: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (Common English Bible)**

(page 555 in the pew Bible, page 746 Common English Bible)

Lord, you have done so many things!

You made them all so wisely!

**The earth is full of your creations!**

And then there's the sea, wide and deep,

with its countless creatures—

**living things both small and large.**

There go the ships on it,

and Leviathan, which you made, plays in it!

**All your creations wait for you**

**to give them their food on time.**

When you give it to them, they gather it up;

when you open your hand, they are filled completely full!

**But when you hide your face, they are terrified;**

**when you take away their breath,**

**they die and return to dust.**

When you let loose your breath, they are created,  
and you make the surface of the ground brand-new again.

**Let the Lord's glory last forever!**

**Let the Lord rejoice in all he has made!**

He has only to look at the earth, and it shakes.

God just touches the mountains, and they erupt in smoke.

**I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;**

**I will sing praises to my God while I'm still alive.**

**Let my praise be pleasing to him;**

**I'm rejoicing in the Lord!**

Let sinners be wiped clean from the earth;

let the wicked be no more.

**But let my whole being bless the Lord!**

**Praise the Lord!**

**Children's Time**

*Jennifer Zander*

**Sermon: "All Together in One Place"**

*Rev. Dr. Craig Alwin*

**Sung response: GTG 66 "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"**

## **We Respond to God's Word**

### **The Practice of Gratitude**

*In response to God's Word and remembering all things come from God, we offer with thanks a portion of that which God has entrusted to us. The ushers will collect God's tithes and our offerings. For those who have given in other forms, there are cards in the pew racks that you may use as a tangible action of gratitude to God. No matter what we return to God in material forms, may we spiritually place our hearts, and our very lives, in God's hands, to be re-shaped for ministry in Christ, furthering God's kingdom here on earth.*

**Offering Music: "Songs of America"**

*Arr. Douglas Wagner  
Handbell Choir*

**\* Offertory: GTG 609 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

*(TUNE: Lasst Uns Erfreuen)*

**\* Offertory Prayer**

**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.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned 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.**

**\* Sending Hymn:** GTG 300 "We Are One in the Spirit"

**\* Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude:** "Simple Gifts"

*Shaker Melody, Arranged by Cindy Berry*

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Gail Kamphuis

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## **This Week at Church**

### **Sunday May 19 Pentecost Sunday Graduate/Scholarship Sunday**

9:00-10:00am Worship  
10:15-11:15am Fellowship Time  
10:15-11:15am Growing Connections

- Adults Immigration Presentation (Parlor)
- 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Room 6 Pentecost Celebration (Fellowship Hall)
- 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Room 3
- Preschool – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Room 8

1:00-2:00pm PYA (Woodlands)

**Monday May 20**  
10:00-11:30am Staff Meeting  
6:30-8:00pm Session (Hybrid)

**Wednesday May 22**  
8:00-9:00am Men's Breakfast (Pump 'n Pantry)  
4:30-5:30pm Bell Choir  
5:30-7:00pm Finance Team  
6:30-7:30pm Buildings & Grounds

**Saturday May 25**  
Salute the Troops Half Marathon (Water Station)  
9:00-12:00pm Table Tennis

**Sunday May 26 Memorial Weekend**  
9:00-10:00am Worship  
10:15-11:15am Fellowship Time  
10:15-11:15am Growing Connections

- Adults Fond du Lac Co-Response Team
- 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Room 6
- 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Room 3
- Preschool – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Room 8

} No Growing Connections for Children & Youth

**Monday May 27 Memorial Day Church office is closed.**

PRAYERS

Brian C.  
 Pat D.  
 Gib D.  
 Arnold L.  
 Jesse F.  
 Liam A.  
 Burt M.  
 Marie L.

Chastity G. & Joan S.  
 Wendy W.  
 Andy L.  
 Phyllis M.  
 Sally S.  
 Dave E.  
 Bob & Olive B.

\*LynnK.  
 \*Ashley K.  
 \*Cathie  
 \*Mike S.  
 \*Dale F.  
 \*Karen & David H.  
 \*Lorele C.  
 \*Jim & Laura C.

The names with an asterisk (\*) are not church members. However, a church member has received permission to ask that they be lifted in prayer. If you or someone you know would like to be added to our prayer list, please contact a Deacon or the church staff.

If you have a pastoral concern, that happens before or after office hours, please call the office (920.922.0425), press #2 for Pastoral Care.

**Financial Giving and Gratitude**

You can give online at [www.fdlpresbyterian.org](http://www.fdlpresbyterian.org). (Click on 'Giving'.) You can also give by cash or check on Sunday morning, or by mail. We are so very thankful for your contributions that help us do God's work in our church and in our community.

**Weekly Statistics for May 12, 2024**

Individuals in Person: 90  
 Zoom Households: 3

<u>DATE</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>NOTES</u>
05/12/2024	\$6796.00	Tithes/Offerings
	1600.00	Pave the Way
05/06-		
05/10	\$481.00	Vanco Online "Tithes/Offerings"
	10.00	Vanco Online "Pave the Way"
	<u>\$8887.00</u>	<b>TOTAL INCOME FOR THE WEEK</b>