

CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Litany for Pentecost*)

L: Come, Spark of justice:

P: enliven our passion for those who are imprisoned behind bars and fears; those held captive by prejudices and poverty.

L: Come, Shelter for life:

P: calm us when our worries toss and turn us in the night; comfort us when hurtful words silence all around us.

L: Come, Advocate of the oppressed:

P: tear down the walls of acquiescing silence which keep us from hearing our neighbors; build bridges across the widening chasms of our rampant isolationism.

L: Come, Shimmer of mystery:

P: open our eyes to the sign language of love share by all creation; teach us the dance steps you gave to the dolphins and whales.

L: Come, Quencher of thirst souls; come, Word known in every language; come, Baker of the bread of hope.

HYMN "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" #259

CALL TO RECONCILIATION **

L: In a cult of the individual, we forget we are created to be in community. In a world which tells us it is all up to us, we overlook Jesus' promise that we are not left alone, but gifted with the Spirit of hope, peace, and joy. Let us confess our lives to our God, who will make us one in grace and wonder. Join together, as we pray saying,

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

ALL: Spirit of life, we confess that our fears drive us into the shadowed places of our lives. We pull the shutters of sin tight, to close out the light of your love. We slide the deadbolt crafted out of our doubts, turn the key to lock us away from your searching grace. We fall silent as we hear the footfalls of your hope just outside the door of our hearts.

But you will not remain at arm's length from us, Spirit of cleansing. You rush in to sweep away our worries, replacing them with wonder. You dance in our cold hearts until they

ignite in love for everyone around us. You offer oldsters visions of hope, and youngsters dreams of peace for a broken world. May we be as faithful in our believing, and in our living, as was Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: You fill the universes with wonder, populate the seas with great creatures, and you whisper the words of mercy for which your children yearn.

P: In our own hearts, we hear the words of grace, forgiveness, and hope which we need in every moment.

L: Friends, Believe the Good News

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen

GLORIA PATRI #623

CHURCH NEWS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Please greet your neighbor by saying, "The Peace of Christ be With You.")

REDEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

Offertory

Doxology

#625

Prayer of Dedication**

We find it so easy to keep our resources locked away in the rooms of our worries about the future. So rush in with your Spirit of gratitude, Holy God, and anoint us with visions of communities where the hungry are fed, the lonely are loved, and brokenness is healed by the gifts we offer in this moment. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

First Lesson Acts 2:1-21 p.948

Second Lesson Romans 8:14-17 p. 983

Gospel Lesson John 14:8-17(25-27) p.938

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

L: We believe in God:

P: Creator of all that has been made. The Parent of the whole creation.

L: We believe in God:

P: Savior of all that has fallen. The Restorer of our broken world.

L: We believe in God:

P: The Life of all that lives. The Love that binds all things together in the family of God. Amen.

HYMN "Open My Eyes That I May See" #381

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Hear our prayers, O Lord. **P: And let our cry come unto Thee.**

L: Let us bless the Lord! **P: Thanks be to God.**

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN "Spirit of the Living God" (sing twice) #247

BENEDICTION/SENDING**

L: Gathered in this place, let us now scatter,

P: to go into the world with a rush to share God's grace with everyone we meet.

L: Having heard the prayer uttered for us, let us go to live it out,

P: believing that Jesus is with us, as we bring the fresh breath of hope to others.

L: Having been touched with the Spirit's peace, let us go to bring it into our communities,

P: to bring calm to every trembling heart, to offer light to those in life's shadows.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Bless Be The Tie" #286

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Offering: 06/01
Attendance: 10
Local 625.00
Benev. 43.35
Improv. 36.65
Total 705.00

Sunday June 8th
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Sunday June 15th
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Father's Day

Be Sure to stay after today's service for our Pentecost Luncheon in the back of the sanctuary. If you ordered geraniums, be sure to take yours home as well.

The First Presbyterian Church Women's Association will hold their annual tea party on Monday June 23rd at noon. Those interested in attending should RSVP by calling their church office by Monday June 16th.

Church Directories are available on the back table. Be sure to pick one up today. If you know of someone who needs a copy mailed or emailed to them, let Ed Sheets know.

Sign Ups for 2025 Lay Leaders are still being accepted. If you are interested in helping out, please sign up on the back bulletin board.

Orders are being taken for 2025 Flower and Bulletin Sponsorships. Order forms and more information can be found on the back bulletin board and can be placed in the offering plate. Orders can also be placed on the church website.



Concerns: Keep the following people in your prayers...	
Dawna Sheets	Bobbie Johnson
Jeanne Lehman	Nancy Thomas
Marie Whorl	Barry Ross
Bev Holbay	Dave & Karen Vivis
Mark Todero	Joshua Holbay Family
Carl Newfield	Dominic Serratore
Beverly Rager	Irene Barefoot Bischof
Mikey Ferante	Tammy & Louie Noss
Jill Sheets	All Shut- Ins
Frank Cassat	All in Nursing Homes
Nancy Kahl	All First Responders
Linda Hayes	All Service Men & Women
Matt Molnar	All Healthcare Professionals

To Place Announcements Or Concerns List Names in the bulletin please email bethanyjtown@hotmail.com.

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Donations of non-perishable foods and cleaning products for the West End Food Pantry can be placed in the bins by the Blaine St. entrance. Monetary donations can be placed in the offering plate. Thank you for your support.

Pentecost Geraniums

In Memory Of:

My Father- Thomas J. Nosko
Grandparents
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Loved Ones

Given By:

Tomi Nosko
Ed & Zach Sheets
Linda Orlidge
Jessie Rager
Beverly Smith Holbay

In Honor Of:

Ray & Dawna Sheets
Our Parents

Given By:

Ed & Zach Sheets
Ray & Dawna Sheets

