

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES		
Today (05/24)	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service
Monday (05/25)	8:00a	Memorial Day Church Offices Closed
	9:00a	Bulletin Information Due
		Website Information Due
	6:30p	Triad A Capella Connection
Wednesday (05/27)	9:00a	WW Meeting
	7:00p	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday (05/31)	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service- <i>Trinity Sunday</i>

Pennies for Hunger: Don't forget to drop your pennies in the "Hunger" pail located in the Narthex.

Dollars for Missions: All loose dollar bills placed in the collection plates will be earmarked for mission work—divided between FPC Mission Team and a Salem Presbytery mission.



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May 24, 2026—Day of Pentecost

Financial Update can be found on the bulletin board.

The Gathering: Our next Gathering will be a cookout on Wednesday, June 10, beginning at 6:00p.m. We will again come together at Joy Budkey's home for a wonderful evening of fellowship and good food. **Please register on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board as soon as possible so the Fellowship Committee can have a more accurate head count.** Deadline for registering is 12:00 noon on Sunday, June 7, 2026.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The peace of God be with you today. Receive with joy the gift of the Holy Spirit.

All: We feel the winds of God blowing among us. We sense the tongues of fire empowering us.

One: How amazing is the power God gives us. How manifold are the works of our Creator.

All: The breath of God fills us with confidence. The Spirit creates new life within and among us.

One: God calls us to be dreamers and prophets. God gives us a vision for a world of peace.

All: May the glory of God endure forever. We will sing praise to God as long as we live. Let us worship God!

*HYMN NO. 289

"On Pentecost They Gathered"

MUNICH

*Those who are able, please stand.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we are frightened by strange tongues and people out of control. We want to manage our own lives and assure our own safety. We are afraid that you will ask more of us than we are willing to risk. We do not want others to consider us strange or fanatical. We are skeptical of dreams and visions. We cannot trust some people you ask us to love. We want to believe, but how can we know that you are more than our collective imagination, a hope we cling to in our despair? Help us, God.

(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession.)

Amen.

RESPONSE

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God comes unexpectedly to those willing to wait and listen and trust. The Spirit amazes and astonishes even those who wait expectantly. There is more to life than the things we can see — and more in the things we see than our eyes can discern. So, too, God is more than we can know or think. Even now, the Holy Spirit is resting on you and on this family of God's people. Do not be afraid. Friends, believe the good news...

All: *In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.*

*RESPONSE

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

(Please share a sign of peace with others.)

ANTHEM

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

“Catching the Wind”

Psalm 104:24-35

Acts 2:1-21

Rev. John Pruitt

SENDING

*HYMN NO. 286

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

TRENTHAM

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *“The Apostles’ Creed”*

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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; 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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

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

*HYMN NO. 291

“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

SPIRIT

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Serving Today (May 24)

Greeters/Ushers: Wanda Sampson, Ellen Watts

Serving Next Sunday (May 31)

Greeters/Ushers: Lynda Self, Linda Volcek

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