

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 24, 2026

" Without Pentecost the Christ-event - the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus - remains imprisoned in history as something to remember, think about and reflect on. The Spirit of Jesus comes to dwell within us, so that we can become living Christs here and now."
~ Henri Nouwen

TRINITY BELLS

*OPENING MUSIC

"Breathe On Us"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(based on Acts 2:1-4)

Leader: All together in one place;

People: they heard the rush of a violent wind;

Leader: it filled the entire house.

People: Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared and rested on each of them;

Leader: they were filled with the Holy Spirit.

People: and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

*#579 GLORIA PATRI

GATHERING HYMN

#128 "On Pentecost They Gathered"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Lord of patience and persistence, we live in a broken and shattered world. All around us we see great evidence of hatred and alienation. We cannot help but observe the alienation of people from each other. We create devices to separate rather than unite; to divide rather than come together in hope. Forgive us for our sins. These sins cause such division and hurt. Remind us today that the disciples, too, lived in a fearful world and that on the day you came to them, as they sat huddled in fear, and you empowered them. You gave them hearts of courage and faith. Please bring to us the same hearts that we may serve you well, bringing peace and hope to our world. In the name of Christ, we offer this prayer. Amen.

(now that we have confessed as a congregation, let us confess our own sins in the silence of our hearts)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Dear ones, fear no more! The power of God's Holy Spirit has set us free from the prison of doubt and fear! Now is the time to shine with the light of God's love, given to you by Jesus Christ.

People: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed.

OFFERING

Offering Song

"Holy Spirit, Rain Down"

*Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

HYMN OF PREPARATION

#126 "Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove"

SCRIPTURE READING

Numbers 11:24-30
Acts 2:1-21

SERMON

"Not For The Few"
Rev. Paul Masters

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things seen and unseen.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us men, and our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and on the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who together with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who spoke through the prophets. And we believe in one holy and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SONG OF REFLECTION

"Great Are You Lord"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

*SENDING MUSIC

Helpful Notes

- 1) We say "debts" and "debtors" in the Lord's Prayer
- 2) Asterisks (*) = Please stand as you are able
- 3) Offering – You can give electronically using the QR code found in the 'Stewardship News' section of this bulletin

Prayers for May 24th – 30th

Members of the Congregation:

Mike Waddell & Sue Scott

Friends of the Congregation:

Missy Nelson (Friend of the Moeller Family),
Alan Scott &
Neela Waddell (Mike & Judy's Granddaughter)

Prayer Families:

Scott Van Gundy
Henrietta Van Maanen
Steve Vance
Harlan & Brenda Vande Berg

Pray for:

 (a ministry in our Presbytery; a ministry in Fort Dodge)

Unity Presbyterian Church, Waterloo &
St. Olaf Lutheran Church

Stewardship News

Attendance on May 17th was 213 (184, 15 FB, 14 YT). The offering on 05/17/26 was \$5,325.00. The amount needed each week is \$10,655.56. The total contributions through 05/17/26 are \$188,458.11. The amount needed through 05/17/26 is \$213,111.15. Contributions are behind \$24,653.04 and we are over budget from Foundation by \$20,583.35. Total amount we are behind budget is \$45,236.39. Scan the QR code to give. Thank you for your generosity!



Thank you to our volunteers today

Ushers: Sid & Kim Bodholdt

Vocals: Joe & Teresa Jackson

Musicians: Greg Merritt, JB Kilpeck, Jake Merritt, Jan Moeller & Gabriel Alves

Bus Driver: Ted Huggins

Offering Pick-Up: Joe Jackson & Ruth Hancock

Elder: Ruth Hancock

Upcoming May Ministry Team Meeting Times

Worship & Music – May 26th @ 6:30 pm

Deacons Meal

The Deacons have compassion meals for anyone that could benefit from them. If you could use a compassion meal, please contact the office at (515) 576-2091 or a Deacon.

Exchange Student

There is an opportunity to have an exchange student next school year. Norton is a 17-year-old student from Sweden. He is interested in team sports and church activities. Norton's information is available on the bulletin board outside the office.

Bus Drivers and Church Openers

We are looking to add more drivers/openers to our rotation. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Ted Huggins at (515) 571-1061.

VBS – Rome

This year's VBS will be June 8th – 11th from 1-4 pm with a family fun day June 12th from 5-7pm. Registration forms are available outside the office. If you would like to volunteer, contact Abee at abigaik@firstpresfd.org or (515) 576-2091. Please register by June 1st.

Mark your Calendar for Bake Sale to Support Next Mission Trip

The Mission Team is planning a Bake Sale for the election primaries on June 2. We are reaching out to you, our church family, to support our next mission trip by baking your favorite baked goods to sell on June 2. Please bring the items to the commons kitchen on June 1. Please package the items ready for sale. We will take care of the pricing. If you are willing to work a shift selling items or if you have questions, please reach out to Kim Bodholdt 515-570-6653.



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Neuvermehrtes Meiningsches Gesangbuch, 1693
Adapt. Felix Mendelssohn, 1847

Jane Parker Huber, 1981

1. On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered Quite ear - ly in the day,
2. The peo - ple all a - round them Were star - tled and a - mazed
3. God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it On all who would be - lieve,
4. O Spir - it, sent from heav - en On that day long a - go,

A band of Christ's dis - ci - ples, To wor - ship, sing, and pray.
To un - der - stand their lan - guage, As Christ the Lord they praised.
On wom - en, men, and chil - dren Who would God's grace re - ceive.
Re - kin - dle faith a - mong us In all life's ebb and flow.

A might - y wind came blow - ing, Filled all the swirl - ing air,
What un - i - ver - sal mes - sage, What great good news was here?
That Spir - it knows no lim - it, Be - stow - ing life and power.
O give us ears to lis - ten And tongues a - flame with praise,

And tongues of fire a - glow - ing In - spired each per - son there.
That Christ, once dead, is ris - en To van - quish all our fear.
The church, formed and re - form - ing, Re - sponds in ev - ery hour.
So folk of ev - ery na - tion Glad songs of joy shall raise.

Holy Spirit Rain Down

Holy Spirit rain down rain down
O Comforter and Friend
How we need Your touch again
Holy Spirit rain down rain down
Let Your power fall let Your voice be heard
Come and change our hearts as we stand on Your Word
Holy Spirit rain down

No eye has seen no ear has heard
No mind can know what God has in store
So open up heaven open it wide
Over Your church and over our lives

Let Your power fall let Your voice be heard
Come and change our hearts as we stand on Your Word
Holy Spirit rain down

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove 126

Isaac Watts, 1707 ST. AGNES CM John Bacchus Dykes, 1866

1. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, heav - en - ly Dove, With all Thy quick - ening powers;
2. In vain we tune our for - mal songs, In vain we strive to rise;
3. Dear Lord, and shall we ev - er live At this poor dy - ing rate?
4. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, heav - en - ly Dove, With all Thy quick - ening powers;

Kin - dle a flame of sa - cred love In these cold hearts of ours.
Ho - san - nas lan - guish on our tongues, And our de - vo - tion dies.
Our love so faint, so cold to Thee, And Thine to us so great!
Come, shed a - broad a Sav - ior's love, And that shall kin - dle ours.

Great Are You Lord

You give life You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken
And great are You Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing
Great are You Lord
(REPEAT)

Breathe On Us

There is a shaking
Let hearts awaken
Our God is moving
Forever changing us
There is a trembling
There is revival
The sound of worship
So great and glorious
Holy Spirit hear us now

Breathe on us
Holy fire fall
Come and fill this place with Your presence
Like a rushing wind
Send Your Spirit here
Breath of Heaven breathe on us
(Breath of Heaven breathe on us)

Come breathe on us
Come breathe on us
Come breathe on us

Lift up your hands and shout
The Lord is with us now
Lift up your voice and sing
He is holy
(REPEAT 3X)