

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ
Day of Pentecost, Confirmation & Baptism
Sunday, June 9, 2019 • 10 AM • Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation (Leo the Great)

A people consecrated to the heavens is here born from a fruitful seed established by waters made fertile by the Spirit.
Plunge in, O sinner, and be cleansed by the sacred flow.
Whom it receives old, the wave returns new.
No differences remain among the reborn,
whom one font, one spirit, and one faith make one.

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude "Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading" - arr. Culli

Call to Worship

One: Many voices are speaking to us today
in the movie theaters,
on the concert stages,
on the television.

All: Today, Lord, we choose to listen to Your voice,
to respond to Your desires,
to follow Your highest path for us.

One: Many voices are speaking to us today
in our homes,
in our friendships,
and in our community.

All: Today, Lord, we choose to listen to Your voice,
to respond to Your desires,
to follow Your highest path for us.

One: Many voices are speaking to us today
through celebrities, commercials
and through media.

All: Today, Lord, we choose to listen to Your voice,
to respond to Your desires,
to follow Your highest path for us.
As many voices ring in our ears,
we say that we choose to listen for Your voice,
to do what pleases you,
and to stay true to the path You have lovingly set before us.
Strengthen each of us to choose the high road,
to live up to the greatness you placed within us,
and to honor You in all our ways.
Lord, we will listen for Your voice. Amen.

Blessing Over the Water

***Hymn No. 286** "Breathe On Me, Breath of God"

Prayer of Confession (The Worship Sourcebook)

Merciful God,
you made us in your image,
with a mind to know you,
a heart to love you,
and a will to serve you.
But our knowledge is imperfect,
our love inconstant,
our obedience incomplete.
Day by day; we fail to grow into your likeness.
In your tender love, forgive us
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters.
In the waters of baptism, we are cleansed from sin
and welcomed to new life in Jesus Christ.

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

***Hymn No. 584** "Glory, Glory, Glory"

"Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God on high! Glory, glory, glory, glory
be to God on high! And on earth peace to all people in whom God is
well pleased. And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well
pleased."

***Passing of Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Anthem "Shout to the Lord" - Zschech, arr. Sherman
Tyler Bell Choir & Sanctuary Choir

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

(Children will return during final hymn.)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Baptism of Maeve Murphy & Sadie Murphy

Scripture

➤ 1 st Reading:	Joel 2:25-32	OT 848	LP 1039
➤ 2 nd Reading:	John 14:8-17	NT 108-9	LP 133

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "Voices" — Rev. Drew Harrison

Confirmation

***Affirmation of Faith**

(The Affirmation of Faith for today was made from parts of all the statements of faith made by students from our confirmation class. The questions they were asked to respond to were, "Who is God, who is Jesus, and what are you going to do about it?" Remembering that their faith is formed and shaped by the congregation, but that it will form and shape the future of Christ's church, we join together in proclaiming our faith.)

I do believe in God and that he is the maker of all. He made me, he made all of you. I believe that He cares about people. He does not discriminate in that – He loves everyone equally. I believe that God is good.

I believe that God takes part in our world today, and that He is actively doing things that impact our lives. I believe that God's love for us is far more than we can imagine. He cares about everyone and everything.

God has a son, his name is Jesus. Jesus was on Earth with us. Because Jesus was human, I feel like he understands what we go through and knows when we are really having a difficult time. I believe he was sent to Earth to spread God's word and to help show us what we needed to fix.

I believe that the Holy Spirit is with us always, at our sides at all times, no matter what, and it like a guide to us all and guides us in the right direction.

Church is a place where everyone feels safe and welcome and everyone is wanted. People in the church help each other. I will do anything to help the people around me. This means living with my eyes open to the world around me. I will love and accept everybody for who they are.

***Hymn No. 288** "Spirit of the Living God" (sung 2x)

Invitation to Offering

Offertory "Breathe On Me, Breath of God" - arr. Moore

***Doxology No. 606**

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.

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

Lord, we give you thanks for all your gifts. Accept these gifts, and teach us to be as generous as you are with what we have.

The 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 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.

*Hymn No. 408 "There's A Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

*Benediction

*Benediction Hymn No. 539 "We Will Go Out With Joy"

"We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God. We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God. Alleluia! We will go out with joy. Alleluia! Alleluia! We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God. We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God."

Postlude "O Day Full of Grace" - arr. Hobby

***** *Please stand as you are able.* *****

<i>Thank you to our Worship Servers</i>	
Acolyte	Jillian Lai
Liturgist	Connie Bradley
Greeter	Doris Ducat
Ushers	Bev Donofrio, Renee Sheridan, Mike Ballard, Linda Waller
Tellers	Jean Brod, Mike Ballard, Bobbi Wilkins
Coffee Hour Host	Church Picnic



Sanctuary Flowers

Today's Sanctuary Flowers are in celebration of Maeve & Sadie Murphy's baptism and the confirmation class being confirmed.

Music Notes 

Today's prelude is Benjamin Culli's 2012 setting of the tune "Njoo Kwetu, Roho Mwema," originally written by Tanzanian-born theologian Wilson Niwagila. The anthem combines the forces of bells and voices in an arrangement of Darlene Zschech's "Shout to the Lord," a popular worship song which came out of Australia's Hillsong Church and was first recorded in 1993. The postlude is Robert Hobby's interpretation of a Danish hymn tune commonly associated with a Pentecost text, "Den signede dag" (O Day Full of Grace). We thank the Tyler Bell Choir and the Sanctuary Choir for their special music this morning, and throughout our liturgical year!

Bring your appetite to the Church Lawn and join us for a BBQ for our Annual Church Picnic after today's worship service!

<i>This Week's Calendar • June 9-16</i>	
<i>Sunday</i> June 9	<i>Pentecost</i> 10 AM Worship/Confirmation/Baptism 11:15 AM Annual Church Picnic
<i>Monday</i> June 10	7 PM Property Committee – New Church Library
<i>Tuesday</i> June 11	7 PM Invitation & Outreach – New Church Library
<i>Wednesday</i> June 12	1 PM Summer Lunch Program Lunch Box Packing – Memorial Lounge
<i>Thursday</i> June 13	8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
<i>Friday</i> June 14	7 PM Theology on Tap – Sanctuary/Human Village Brewing Company, Pitman
<i>Saturday</i> June 15	9 AM Church Officer Training – Social Hall 9:30 AM Grace Circle
<i>Sunday</i> June 16	<i>Trinity Sunday</i> <i>Father's Day</i> <i>Cole-Lacy Scholarship Award Ceremony</i> 10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Christian Ed. Committee – Up Kitchen



<i>This Week's Birthdays</i>	
June 9	Jane Harrison
June 11	Judee Tamaska
June 12	Charles Knoebel
June 15	Christopher Shannon
June 16	Connie Bradley
June 16	Michael Wichart

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Sunday Worship Service @ 10 AM

-  Communion on the first Sunday of the month
-  Sunday School each week from 10:20-11:05 AM