

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ
Pentecost & the Sacrament of Communion
Sunday, June 4, 2017 @ 10 AM – Rev. Paul Grenier

For Prayer & Contemplation

“The soul’s safety is in its heat. Truth without enthusiasm, morality without emotion, ritual without soul, make for a church without power. Destitute of the Fire of God, nothing else counts; possessing that Fire, nothing else matters.” -*Samuel Chadwick*

“Just as a candle cannot burn without a flame, a person cannot truly live without a spiritual life.” -*Buddha*

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude “Come Down, O Love Divine” - arr. Biery

Call to Worship

One: In the beginning there was darkness, but God spoke and there was light.

All: May God’s spirit of wisdom shine through us to illuminate our path.

One: God appeared to Moses as a burning bush and commanded him to set his people free.

All: May God’s spirit of compassion burn within us so we continue to fight for justice.

One: God’s spirit came like tongues of flame and united the church.

All: May God’s spirit of love unite us in our diversity as one loving church. Amen.

***Hymn No. 282** "Come Down, O Love Divine"

Prayer of Renewal (*adapted from Collect and St. Augustine*)

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit; descend plentifully into our hearts. Enlighten the dark corners of our dwelling and scatter there your cheerful beams, so that we may have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in your holy comfort. Amen.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of Forgiveness

***Hymn No. 581** “Glory Be to the Father”

“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.”

Passing of Peace

Anthem *Sanctuary Choir* – “Let Us Come to the Table” - Marroli

Time with Children (Dismissal to Sunday School)

Pastor: It is time for you to depart.

Adults: God be with you there.

Children: God be with you here.

Scripture *Acts 2:1-21* (NT 119 | LP 144)

Sermon “Standing in God’s Holy Fire” –*Rev. Paul Grenier*

Presentation of Tithes/Offering

Offertory “Thee We Adore” - arr. Johnson

***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**

O’ Lord, as a church we offer our gifts to you. Here is our gratitude in treasure. Here is our treasure in gratitude. Lord God, send your spirit to bless our gifts with power. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to Communion

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise to God.

Great Communal Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings around us.

All: For the earth and sky, for the sun and the rain, for life and love, we thank you, O’ God, Creator of the Universe.

One: We thank you Lord for your son Jesus Christ, in whom we have received salvation.

All: For your holy word, for your infinite love, and for your ultimate sacrifice, we thank you, O’ Jesus Christ, our Lord who lives and reigns now and forever.

One: We thank you Lord for your holy spirit that surrounds us in times of joy and comforts us in times of trouble.

All: For your presence in our lives, for your guidance and wisdom, and for your manifestation as the church, we thank you O’ Holy Spirit, who lives and breathes in our being.

Pastoral Prayer

One: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

All: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

The Prayers of the People

Please contact the church office for a copy of the prayer list.

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.

Words of Institution *Rev. Paul Grenier*

Blessing of Bread:

ברוך אתה ה' א-לוהינו, מלך העולם, המוציא
לחם מן הארץ

Translation: “Blessed are You, LORD our God, King of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.”

Blessing of Wine:

ברוך אתה ה' א-לוהינו, מלך העולם, בורא
פרי העץ

Translation: “Blessed are You, LORD our God, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.”

***Communion Hymn No. 525** “Let Us Break Bread Together”

(Communion Servers, please come forward.)

Ushers will direct the congregation to come forward by pews, forming two lines to receive communion through intinction.

The Sharing of the Supper

Unison Prayer After Communion

We have come to the table as the family of God. We have shared in the sacrifice and resurrection of Christ Jesus through the sharing of bread and juice. We have felt the Holy Spirit burn within us as we worship. May creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit continue to be with us as we go out into the world. Amen.

***Hymn No. 298** “Lord, You Give the Great Commission”

Benediction

Benediction Hymn No. 295 “Go to the World!”

“Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am with you till the age shall end, when all the hosts of glory cry ‘Amen!’ Alleluia. Alleluia.”

Postlude “Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord” - arr. Powell

**Please stand as you are able.*

Please be advised that our worship service is filmed from the balcony. Though the camera’s focus is primarily on the chancel, there are wide shots that may include parts of the congregation sitting near the front.

Please promptly pick your children up from Sunday School at the conclusion of our worship service, and join us for coffee and fellowship in the Social Hall – all are welcome!

June 4 | *Olivia Weng*
 June 5 | *Beverly Donofrio*
 June 7 | *Wendy Keehn*
 June 11 | *Judee Tamaska*



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This Week | June 4-11

Sunday 4	<i>Pentecost</i> 8:30 AM Deacons – Memorial Lounge 10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Sunshine Singers 12 PM Annual Church Picnic – Social Hall 3 PM Piano Recital – Sanctuary/Choir Room Reception
Monday 5	7 PM Session – Upstairs Kitchen
Tuesday 6	9 AM Packing Summer Lunch Boxes – ML 1:30 PM Packing Summer Lunch Boxes – ML 6 PM Invitation & Outreach – Up Kitchen
Wednesday 7	
Thursday 8	7 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Friday 9	9 AM Setting Up for Book Sale – Church Library
Saturday 10	<i>Church Library Closed</i> 8 AM Bob Riccio Memorial Tour de Pitman 9:30 AM PW Core Board – Upstairs Kitchen
Sunday 11	10 AM Worship 11:15 AM Annual Book Sale – Church Library

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

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Thank you to our Worship Servers

Communion Servers	Jennifer Grenier, Dave Nicastro, Connie Bradley, Karen Daly
Liturgists	Sunday School Students, Vicki Downing
Greeter	Doris Ducat
Ushers	Bobbi Wilkins, Margaret Ginter, Ed Mitchell, Ginny Mitchell
Tellers	Jean Brod, Bobbi Wilkins, Bob Webb

Music Notes

Today’s special music is chosen especially in celebration of Pentecost. The prelude is Marilyn Biery’s setting of a hymntune by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), “Down Ampney.” The postlude is Robert Powell’s 2013 arrangement of a 16th century German chorale, “Komm, Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott.” The 2015 anthem by Karen Marrolli contains a hidden Latin plainsong, “Adore te devote.” This is also the melody of the offertory, arranged by David Johnson. We thank the Sanctuary Choir for sharing this communion text and tune with us this morning.

This Week’s Birthdays

June 4 | *Derrick Musselman*

