

PENTECOST

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*Please join in reading
aloud those parts of the
service printed
in **bold**.*

*The congregation is
invited to reflect silently
during the Music for
Preparation as a time of
prayer and meditation.*

When this symbol ()
precedes an element of
the service, please rise
in body or spirit.*

*We lay before God our
own sins,
the sins and
brokenness of our
fellow worshipers,
the church universal,
and the world.*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us now prepare our hearts to worship God.

MUSIC FOR PREPARATION

Agincourt Hymn

John Dunstable (1390-1453)

(The tune and a text for reflection may be found at hymn 618, **Glory to God**.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

O Lord, our God, you are very great.

**You are clothed in glory and majesty,
wrapped in a robe of light.**

You set the earth on its foundations,
never to be shaken.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever.

Let us sing to the Lord as long as we live.

Let us sing praises to God our whole life long.

Let us worship God!

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN – NO. 280

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

EBENZER

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of fire and wind,
holy and powerful,
mighty and mysterious,
we are drawn by your Spirit to this place.

As we gather and behold your glory,
we become aware of our sin.

We have ignored your word.

We have rejected your gifts.

We have failed in your work.

Ignoring the truth of Pentecost,
we exclude those different from us.

We divide our loyalties,
and we divide our hearts.

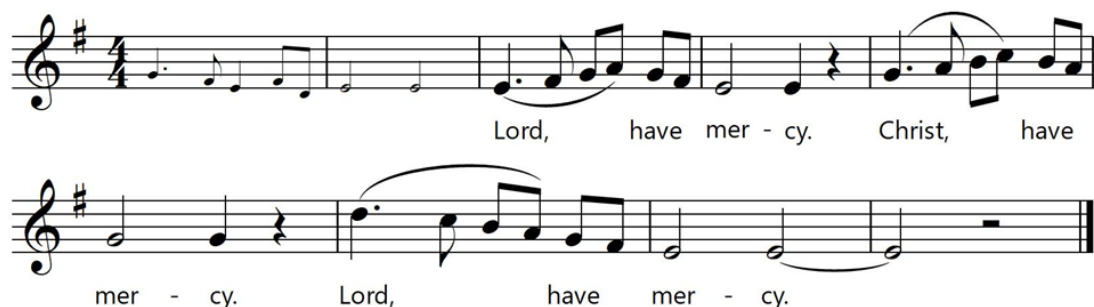
Renew us with your Spirit
that we might live into the promise of this day
and receive the fullness
of all that you have prepared for us
in Jesus Christ.

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Lord, Have Mercy (*Kyrie eleison*)

John Weaver (1937-2021)



*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Glory to God!

GELOBT SEI GOTT



Text: Michael Morgan

*PASSING THE PEACE, LOVE, AND JOY OF CHRIST TO OTHERS

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

LISTENING FOR THE WORD

STORY TELLING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON: Acts 2:1-13

Holy wisdom, holy word.
Thanks be to God.

Large Print Pew Bible, page 144
Pew Bible, page 119

The astoundingly good news of our reconciliation to God through Jesus Christ frees our tongues to sing mighty praise to God.

We exchange reconciling words and gestures among the people of God.

We listen for what God is saying to God's people through scripture, song, and sermon.

ANTHEM

I Will Sing with the Spirit
I will sing with the spirit, alleluia -
And I will sing with the understanding also, alleluia!
Liturgical dancers: Nora and Naomi Fisher

John Rutter (b. 1945)

SECOND READING: Acts 2:14-21

Large Print Pew Bible, pages 144-145
Pew Bible, page 119

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SERMON: Many Voices, One Uniting Spirit

Dr. Jim Lunde

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE – NO. 291

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

SPIRIT

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.20

God the Holy Spirit
fulfills the work of reconciliation in human life.
The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church
as the community in which people are reconciled
to God and to one another.
The Spirit enables people to receive forgiveness
as they forgive one another
and to enjoy the peace of God
as they make peace among themselves.
In spite of their sin,
the Spirit gives people power
to become representatives of Jesus Christ
and his gospel of reconciliation to all.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

*Our response to
hearing God's Word
includes singing and
saying what we
believe.*

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS/PENTECOST OFFERING

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

arr., K. Lee Scott (b. 1950)

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;
And, with actions bold and meek, For Christ, my Savior, speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions lovingly, speak Christ's sincerity.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
Show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee;
Separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be give him who gave me thee.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
Help me now thy power to see, I would be like thee;
'Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

The musical notation is written on four staves in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here be - low; Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

BEARING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL HYMN – No. 282

Come Down, O Love Divine

DOWN AMPNEY

*God blesses and
sends us in mission
to the world.*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Toccata

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

James Lunde, D. Min., Senior Pastor and Head of Staff

Lisa Mullen, M. Div., Parish Associate

Charlotte Nance-Allbright, M.A, C.C.E., Director of Christian Formation and Education

Dove Bearer, Griffin Inman



A Moment's Meditation

In the stillness of the quiet, if we listen, we can hear the whisper of the heart giving strength to weakness, courage to fear, hope to despair.

Howard Thurman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WARM AND CORDIAL WELCOME is extended to all who worship with us. . We hope in this service you will encounter the living Christ and experience the warmth of our caring family of faith. If you are not receiving the weekly e-newsletter, please feel free to pick up a copy today in the narthex and then contact the church office to be added to the weekly email list. If you are visiting with us and in search of a church home, we invite you to become a part of our church family here at First Presbyterian Church. Please let us know of your interest by way of the friendship register, or by speaking to a minister. The Church Office phone number is 336-228-1703.

MUSIC NOTES: Music texts and impressions, along with streaming music, are provided with permission from One License, License #A-715495. All rights reserved.

LIVE VIDEO STREAMING SERVICE: *Boxcast* will stream to our website and Facebook page each Sunday morning.

LARGE PRINT HYMNS: Copies of today's hymns are available in the Narthex.

CHANCEL FLOWERS: are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joyce Harkey and W.B. (Bob) Harkey by Tori and John Geraghty.

PASTOR ON-CALL INFORMATION: If you have a personal emergency, hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call the church office. If it is after office hours or on the weekend, you may contact the pastor on call by calling the church at 336-228-1703 and pressing 9. You will then be connected to the pastor on call.

PENTECOST OFFERING 2025: "I Will Pour Out My Spirit"

This morning we receive our annual gifts to the Pentecost offering. Through these gifts, we join together to support the faith of young people all around the world who enrich the Church with their creativity and vibrancy. We are there to work to correct the lack of access to education for children-at-risk, nurture the faith and vocation of youth and create space for young adults to explore and grow as leaders in Christ's church.

This Offering helps our young people begin life with a strong start in the years from childhood through young adulthood that will last a lifetime.

The Pentecost Offering is allocated: 40% stays with our congregation; 25% supports Young Adult Volunteers serving in communities throughout the world; 25% supports ministries with youth, including the Presbyterian Youth Triennium; and 10% is devoted to children-at-risk. For more information visit this website: <https://pcusa.org/special-offerings/pentecost-offering>

PENTECOST PARTY: Join us for a Pentecost Celebration after worship today in Shive Hall.

On the festival day of Pentecost God poured out God's Spirit upon disciples gathered from many nations. Wind rushed through the house and flames rested upon their heads. Then the believers were filled with the Holy Spirit, and they were able to speak in other languages which the Spirit gave to them. A crowd, drawn by the sound, was astonished because they were able to understand the believers in their own native language. We call this the Birthday of the Church. You are invited to join us for pizza and salad, and, of course, birthday cake. We will explore kid and adult-friendly games and crafts of wind, flame and languages!

JUNE SUMMER CHOIR - 2025 EDITION: Did you enjoy singing in your high school chorus (no matter how long ago) ... and you miss it? Did you sing in college, while majoring in a non-music discipline ... and want to slide in and sing again? SUMMER CHOIR is for you! Rehearsals for easy, meaningful anthems are on Sunday mornings at 9:15am in the sanctuary. Many of our regular singers will be present to welcome and help you - and you'll add immeasurably to our worship. We guarantee a wonderful experience as we sing and worship together. (June 15 anthems include "Triune God, in Love Resplendent" and "O Most Merciful") Please come on Sundays at 9:15am! Questions? Call/text David Vaughan, 336-512-1115.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE is accepting recommendations for the office of Deacon and Elder for the Class of 2028. Additionally, nominations for the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee are being accepted. Please direct your recommendations in writing or email, by June 10, to the Church Office. Email address: reception@fpcburlington.org. The 2025 Nominating Committee: Eddie Gant, Betsy Reeves, Barry Bradberry, Willy Fisher, Reid Dusenberry, Libby Conde, and Karen Carrouth.

VBS MISSION PROJECT - Care Kits for our neighbors experiencing homelessness in coordination with Allied Churches of Alamance County.

Please bring any or all of these items in June. A collection bin will be located in the hallway across from Charlotte's office (Room 204) near the coffee station.

The kits will be gallon Ziplock-type bags with these items inside; therefore the items need to be small enough to fit in the gallon bag: Travel size dry shampoo, Travel size deodorant, Packets bathing towelettes, Toothbrush and toothpaste, Hand sanitizer Small bottles of water, Granola bars

ADULT MISSION TRIP: Would you like to join a local team to share in mission in the Burnsville area from 7/28 through 7/31 to participate in Hurricane Helene relief work.? The group will be working with the North Carolina Baptists on Mission relief program. The work will be light construction or some demolition as we help bring homes damaged during last year's Hurricane Helene back to a livable condition. Baptists on Mission has reserved 10 spaces for our team with housing and meals provided. Carpooling to the site will take place. To sign up, contact Henry Carrouth (336-213-6335).

VBS HELP WANTED: We need two people to stand/be at the VBS registration table each night of VBS (June 16-19) from around 4:45 pm until 5:45 pm. Your job is to warmly welcome all the folks who come in the door, remind them to sign in on the appropriate clipboard, and give them the daily take home / information sheet. If you can help, please contact Charlotte Nance-Allbright at 336-228-1703 x 223 or callbright@fpcburlington.org. Thank you!

THE DON'T TRASH IT! LINENS DRIVE — Our Annual Churchwide Opportunity to Serve

The linen drive is coming to an end. Please return your cleaned linens Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 9 am -12N at the Garrison-Joyner Building (Scout Hut)

Come and help volunteers sort and package linens any Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 9 am-12N at the Garrison-Joyner Building (Scout Hut).

Pick up oversized comforters and mattress pads and take them to the laundromat. We provide the quarters! A huge pile awaits in the Scout Hut.

Thank you so much for your help with this effort which enables us to provide a complete "bed-in-a-bag" with every mattress set we deliver —approximately 375 a year!

The next Furniture Ministry Workday is Saturday, June 14 from 8:45- Noon with coffee and donuts to get us going! We have several deliveries to needy families as well as donation pick-ups. Some of the excess "beds in bags" and plastic drawers need to be delivered to room 403 for storage.

Donations needed now:

- Upholstered furniture—sofas and chairs
- Pots and pans, especially frying pans, sauce pans and large soup/pasta pots
- Cooking utensils and Kitchen knives

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JUNE 8

- 9:15 a.m. Summer Choir — Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Pentecost Party — Shive Hall

Tuesday, June 10

- 8:00 a.m. Walk and Talk — Shive Hall or Outside
- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting — Room 122
- 10:00 a.m. PW Yearbook Meeting — Room 201

Thursday, June 12

- 8:00 a.m. Burlington Community Land Trust Meeting — Room 122
- 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry — Room 201

Saturday, June 14

- 8:30 a.m. VBS Decorating Workday
- 8:45 a.m. Furniture Ministry Workday