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Pentecost Sunday June 8, 2025

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#### United Presbyterian Church June 8, 2025 Pentecost Sunday



**Welcome** The Reverend Carol Barrett

**Announcements** Elder Allen Pease

**Prelude** Benjamin Watkins, piano

Call to Worship Elder Alejandra Haddad, liturgist

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who appoints fire and flame as messengers!

People: Come, let us bless our great and glorious maker, the giver of all good gifts!

\*Opening Hymn All Creatures of Our God and King #455

#### **Prayer of Confession** (in unison with Liturgist)

Lord of fire and wind, we confess we have missed the movement of Your Spirit in our lives and in Your world. We have not always sought the Spirit's leading as a church. Forgive us when we resist Your desire to do something new within us, through us or for us. We confess our reluctance to allow Your Spirit to work as You desire. Hear now our silent confessions.................... Amen.

### Declaration of Forgiveness - Rev. Carol Barrett

\*Gloria Patri #579



## **Passing of the Peace**

Liturgist: God sends this message of joy to all people, preaching peace by Jesus Christ, the Lord of all. Let us share this holy peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also, with you.

#### **Music for Celebration**

# **Prayer of Illumination** – Liturgist

God of all power, open our ears, our eyes, and our hearts with a spirit of wisdom and revelation. Help us to hear Your voice, to see Your ways, and to receive with joy Your truth. In Jesus' name, amen.

**The Gospel Lesson** Acts 1:1-9, 12-14 – Liturgist **The Epistle Lesson** Acts 2:1-21 – Pastor

**Pastor**: The word of the Lord **People: Thanks be to God** 

**Sermon** Deeper and Farther Reverend Carol Barrett

\*Sermon Hymn:

Spirit of the Living God

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**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**— From A Brief Statement of Faith led by Rev. Barrett

"We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and me to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace."

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer – Elder Alejandra Haddad 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.

Call for the Offering – Elder Alejandra Haddad

PC(USA) Pentecost Offering
Offertory

\*Doxology #592 Prayer of Dedication

\*Closing Hymn: Lord, You Give the Great Commission #429

**Charge and Benediction** Reverend Carol Barrett

Postlude Benjamin Watkins, piano

\*Please stand if you are able

UPC Prayer List - Email requests to: <a href="mailto:upcbloomington@gmail.com">upcbloomington@gmail.com</a>.

Bob Hammel Kevin Jones Roby Lorimer Virginia McCartney

Kathleen Olds Anita Steverson

His Eyes Mission in Honduras Nyaka Global in Uganda

The people of Georgia, Lebanon, Nigeria, Middle East, Sudan, Syria and Ukraine **Princeton Presbyterian Church** is active internally and externally. We have monthly committee meetings to discuss church services, generate ideas and plan improvements. Our

Deacons send cards to church members, provide "prayer blankets" for people in need, which we pray over before being delivered and have fifth Sunday themed congregational meals. The Church has written grants for new entry doors, adding an ADA closer for the entry door at our ramp, and for a new roof on the sanctuary and chapel. We added equipment to stream our services on Facebook. The Women's Association meets at River Oaks to provide spiritual support for the members that live there. The Church stocks a Blessing Box which is heavily used in our downtown area. We are encouraged in this ministry because community individuals help us by faithfully filling the Box. We provide rooms for True Hope to use as a warehouse; they maintain inventory for babies and young mothers. Last Christmas the Church hosted the Gibson County Christmas Choir. We support the North Gibson Education Foundation's Treasure Trove. It's a store that provides educational supplies for North Gibson staff. Next month will be our first congregational collection of supplies to build its inventory. 'Faith Link' is our newsletter to inform members of church events and news of members.

Churches Searching for Pastoral Leadership. At any given time, several POV congregations are in search of installed pastoral leadership through the work of a PNC (pastor nominating committee). Other sessions are searching for part-time stated supply pastors. Still others are exploring the type of pastoral leadership that will best help them be in ministry to one another and their communities. Please pray for discernment for all involved in the search for pastoral leadership, for those pastors searching for a new call, and for the committee on ministry and presbytery staff that help guide congregations and pastors through times of transition.



# The Pentecost Offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start – a solid foundation of faith formed in adulthood.

UPC receives this Special Offering today, Pentecost Sunday, June 8

#### **QUICK FACTS:**

- Congregations keep 40% of receipts to initiate or support programs for youth.
- The first Presbyterian Youth Triennium was in 1980. Visit presbyterianyouthtriennium.org
- The Young Adult Volunteer program sends young adults to serve in partner sites worldwide since 1994.
- Pentecost is usually represented with the color red, which symbolizes the fire of the Holy Spirit.

In keeping with a tradition at UPC – wear red today!

# Class of 2025



### WE CELEBRATE LOGAN WORDEN TODAY!

Edgewood High School

Please join Logan and his family immediately after worship service for fellowship, cake and other refreshments hosted by the Christian Education Team in Fellowship Hall.