



Faith
UNITED CHURCH of Christ

Rev. Ted Brelsford | Pastor
Rev. Gary Burdick | Pastor Emeritus
Robin Miller | Church Musician

Sunday, May 24, 2026
10:15 a.m. Worship Service

Pentecost Sunday

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

Time of Silent Preparation for Worship

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *Liturgist: Carol Ottaway*

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, like a rushing wind!

People: Sweep through our lives and fill this space.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, like a burning fire!

People: Ignite our hearts with passion for your grace.

Leader: On this day, God pours out His Spirit upon all people.

All: Let us worship the Lord together!

INVOCATION

*HYMN *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness* Black #2120 vs. 1,2,3

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Spirit of the Living God,

All nations, tribes, and tongues belong to you.

All glory, honor, and praise are due your name.

Therefore, we confess that we have been a divided people— Mother from child, brother from sister, and neighbor from friend.

Have mercy on us and send your power upon your church, That we may know, once more, that you have Baptized us in one baptism, one faith, one Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Tear down the walls of hatred and the towers of sin in our lives. May your Spirit descend upon our lives and make us holy and one.

In the name of your son, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God our Creator gives all that we require and forgives us all that we need. Friends, hear the good news: The Spirit of God is upon us, and the love of Christ is among us. We are forgiven and renewed in spirit and in truth.

Thanks be to God.

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:1-21

ANTIPHONAL READING Psalm 104:24-35

SCRIPTURE READING John 20:19-22

SERMON "The Breath of Life"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN** *Come, Share the Lord* Black #2269 vs. 1,2,3

*FAITH UCC STATEMENT OF FAITH

HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

Pastor: The Spirit of the Lord be upon you.

People: **And also on you.**

Pastor: Lift up your own spirits.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayer of Praise

Blessing of Elements

Partaking Together

*When the usher comes to your row, those who wish to partake should come forward by the center aisle. **The Pastor will place a wafer in the palm of your hand and then you may take a cup from the tray.***

Sealed Communion packets are available to take back to your seat if you prefer. Wrapped and marked **gluten free wafers** are also available to take. Grapes and crackers are available for children at the table to your left of the pulpit.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN** *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* Screens

***GIFTS and OFFERINGS** *There is an offering plate on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary. May God bless the missions of our church and the needs of the world through the gifts of our resources. Amen.*



***DOXOLOGY**

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING** *God Be with You*
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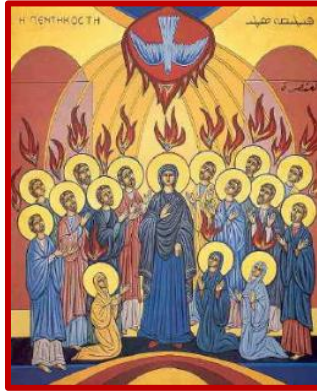
POSTLUDE

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

For peace in this country and the world, for our military, for all involved in war, and those who have lost loved ones and are grieving. And also for those whose needs we do not know. For Vickie Bieger, Stephen Dearth, Barb Fink, Scot Kish, Eleanor Kraft, Pat Granville, Carol Mueller, Claudia Renzi, Phil Renzi, Chuck & Sheila Recktenwalt, Leroy Rockwood, Tom & Marilyn Rucker, Joe Ryan, Sally Schutt, Janet Taber. **For Those in the Military:** Jacob Braun, Zachary Braun, Justin Buczek, Teegan Partridge, Caydan Skinner, Jamie-Lynn Smerka, Justin Slighter, Joe Solak, Mary Solak, Aaron Wellman and Mark Williams.

OPERATING BUDGET INCOME & EXPENSES

Average weekly operating expenses: \$2,355
Offering collection from May 17, 2026: \$2,151
 Current: \$1,142 Benevolent: \$9
 Long Term Maintenance Fund: \$1,000
Attendance on Sunday, May 17, 2026: 37



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Strengthen the Church Offering** is being collected today. This offering supports UCC congregations and initiatives that advance leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and renewal initiatives in existing congregations.
- **Meditation for strength** class will begin again on May 25th – June 29th on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. See bulletin board outside Church office.
- **Pastor Ted's retirement party will be held on May 31st** from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. There are 2 sign-up sheets on the board by the secretary's office, one for bringing sandwiches and one for helping in the kitchen. Please sign up if you can help with either of these. If you have any questions see Gail Berger.