

First Presbyterian Church

May 19, 2024

Day of Pentecost

Morrison, Illinois

10:15AM

Enter This Church That We Might Worship Together!

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PRELUDE

THE GATHERING WELCOME

Pastor: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

People: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

INTROIT

Spirit of the Living God

No. 322

OPENING PRAYER & MOMENT FOR MEDITATION

“The word of the Lord to the prophet: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your old men shall dream dreams and your young shall see visions.” Joel 1:1a; 2:28-29

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

Pastor: God’s Spirit joins with our spirits, Alleluia,

People: to declare that we are children of God. Alleluia!

Pastor: Come, Spirit of wisdom, and teach us to value the highest gifts.

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Pastor: Come, Spirit of understanding, and show us all things in the light of eternity.

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Pastor: Come, Spirit of counsel, and guide us along the straight and narrow path to our heavenly home.

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Pastor: Come, Spirit of might, and strengthen us against every evil spirit and interest which would separate us from you.

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Pastor: Come, Spirit of knowledge, and teach us the shortness of life and the length of eternity.

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Pastor: Come, Spirit of godliness, and stir up our minds and hearts to love and serve the Lord our God all our days.

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Pastor: Come, Spirit of fear of the Lord, and make us tremble with awe and reverence before your divine majesty.

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

***HYMN**

Spirit

No. 319

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be you faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Silent prayer followed by ‘Amen.’*

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Unison)**

The Spirit has been sent to us all. We are forgiven. Amen.

***HYMN**

Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

No. 579

TIME WITH THE GROWING CHURCH (Concluding with the Lord’s Prayer (p. 16))

GOSPEL READIN

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

MEDITATION

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Hymn

Open My Eyes That I May See

No. 324

Scripture Reading

Matthew 26:26-29

Distribution of the Elements

Pastoral Prayer

***HYMN**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology)

No. 592

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION (Unison)**

God of all might and power, we praise you that you forged your church in the fire of the Spirit, and breathed life into your people that we might be the body of Christ. We rejoice that our Lord came to rescue us from sin and to deliver us beyond the grave to a rebirth and newness of life. By your Spirit, baptize us again with your flame of faith, fill us with the breath of zeal, inspire us with the witness of martyrs and saints, and send us forth into your world to live Christ’s life in power and compassion. Take us, O God, and shape us according to your will, in the service of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, now and forever. Amen.

***HYMN**

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

No. 316

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE**

PASSING OF THE PEACE (*greeting: “Peace be with you,” response: “and also with you”*)

*You are invited to stand for this portion.

**Please remain seated until the conclusion of the postlude.

The Bible verses are read from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV).

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Depart This House That We Might Witness Together!

Remember in prayer: Individuals and families fighting COVID-19 infection; residents and staff of Resthove, Homestead and Pleasant View; medical workers, essential employees, school teachers & staff; Bev & Larry Bealer, Dan Brandon, Brandy Claeys (a Friend of Stacie’s), Dale Johnson, Janet Johnson, Richard McCoy, Ken Mills, Sheila Osborn, Youdelka Philippe (MSH), Bob Sim, Jean Temple, Rachael Tucker, Ray Tucker

Love one another!

Livestream Worship Services

Each Sunday at 10:15am from the church's Facebook group page: www.facebook.com/groups/firstpresmorrison. And after the service on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@firstpresmorrison>

Bible Study We will meet Tuesdays at 9:30am at Pleasant View. Rick Barr will lead the weeks that Pastor Mike is unavailable.

Drive-Up Meal The next meal will be on May 30. We will be serving sloppy joe sandwiches. Meal begins at **5PM**. Help is needed on Wednesday at 1:30pm and Thursday starting at 4:15pm.

Upcoming Community Events:

- 05/19: 1pm Singing Sunday @ Fairgrounds
- 05/20: 2pm Resthave Social Hour
6:30pm Session Meeting
- 05/21: 9:30am Bible Study @ Pleasant View
- 05/22: 1:30pm BINGO @ Homestead

STAFF

Pastor. Rev. Dr. Mike Selburg
 Office Manager. Stacie Baker
 Organist. Scott Vandermyde
 Custodian. Courtney Bruckner

SESSION ELDERS:

Rick Barr	Ron Shank	Deb Zigler
Lexie Laughlin	Scott Vandermyde	Stacie Baker, Clerk
Angela Reamer	Carol Wolf	

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

*Divided tongues,
as of fire,
appeared among them,
and a tongue rested on each of them.
All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak in other languages,
as the Spirit gave them ability.*

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

*Amazed and astonished, they asked,
“Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?
And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?
Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia,
Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,
Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene,
and visitors from Rome,
both Jews and proselytes,
Cretans and Arabs*

*—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.”
All were amazed and perplexed,
saying to one another, “What does this mean?”*

*But others sneered and said,
“They are filled with new wine.”
But Peter, standing with the eleven,
raised his voice and addressed them,
“Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem,
let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.
Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose,
for it is only nine o'clock in the morning.*


*No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:
“In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.*



*Even upon my slaves,
both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.*

*And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.*

*The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'*

—Acts 2:1-21



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