

WELCOME TO  
OZARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We warmly welcome you to Ozark Presbyterian Church, where we strive to live as faithful followers of Jesus our Savior and King. At the end of each pew is the friendship register – please take a moment to write down your name (and other information if it has changed or if you are a visitor) and pass it along the row and then pass it back for all to see who is sitting near to them. Please greet your neighbors at the close of the service!*

**Mark Your Calendar!**

Next Lord's Day, immediately after the service, we'll gather in the fellowship hall for lunch, to honor and celebrate with graduates:

**James McCready  
Jack-Riley Nation  
Allen Smith**

More details will be sent in an email early in the week. See you there!

Your elders and deacons have been elected and ordained to serve you in the name of Christ. Please pray for them often and feel free to contact any one of them if you have a need or if you have any questions that they might be able to answer for you.

**Diaconate:** Bill Blackmon, Jr.; Brian McCready  
Fred Thomason

**Session:** Frank C. Ellis, Jr., Moderator;  
Durwood Judah, Clerk;  
Billy Blackmon; Wes Brunson;  
Jeff May

Earl Griffin, Pete Mosley  
*Elders emerit*

*We proclaim Christ, who is  
the Way, the Truth, and the Life.*

*Through him we are  
Taught by the Truth, and  
Liberated by the Life, to  
Walk in the Way.*

*The goal of our instruction is love for God and neighbor  
that flows from a pure heart and  
a clear conscience and  
a sincere faith.*

**The Confession of Our Faith**

*I believe in God the Father*

Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth;

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord:**

Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost;

Born of the Virgin Mary;

Suffered under Pontius Pilate;

Was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell;

The third day he rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven;

And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

*I believe in the Holy Ghost;*

The holy catholic Church;

The communion of saints;

The forgiveness of sins;

The resurrection of the body;

And the life everlasting.

AMEN.

The Apostles' Creed, A.D. 390

**The Passing of the Peace**

Romans 15:3

Minister: *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. The peace of Christ be with you all.*

People: **And also with you.**

**The Prayer of Dedication**

The Leonine Sacramentary, ca. 7<sup>th</sup> century

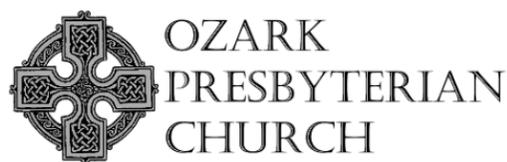
Lord God, you have taught us to keep all your heavenly commandments by loving you and our neighbor. Grant your servants the Spirit of peace and grace, that we may be both devoted to you with our whole heart and united to each other with a pure will. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

**The Benediction and the People's Amen**

2 Corinthians 13:14

Remember that *the fruit of the Spirit is love: joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.* The Spirit of God is our source of life; therefore *let us keep in step with Spirit. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with you all. AMEN.*

**The Postlude**



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*Taught by the Truth and Liberated by the Life to Walk in the Way*



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through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.  
~Romans 5:5*

## THE ORDER FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

**June 4, 2017 11:00 a.m.  
Pentecost**

**The Greeting**

**The Call to Worship**

Minister: *It shall come to pass, says the LORD, that I shall pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.... and everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.*

People: **Come, let us call on the name of the LORD!**

Minister: Let us worship God!

**The Prelude**

**Silent Prayer:** O God, who in smoke and fire on Mount Sinai gave the law to Moses and who revealed at Pentecost the new covenant in the fire of the Spirit; Grant that, kindled by that same Spirit who you wondrously poured forth on the disciples gathered together, we may receive with joy your commandment of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.** (*Book of Common Worship, 1993*)

*Organized to the Glory of God in 1893*

**Ascription of Praise**, *all standing as able* from the Scriptures

Minister: Jesus said, “*The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.*” (John 3:8)

**People:** ***God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.*** (1 John 4:16b)

Minister: *God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.* (Romans 5:5)

**All:** ***Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.*** (Revelation 15:3-4)

**The Hymn 100** Holy, Holy, Holy

**The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation**

**The *Gloria Patri*** Latin Hymn, A.D. 529

**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.**

*All may be seated*

**Call to Confession** Canons of Dort 5:1-2; Hebrews 4:16

People of God, by the grace of God in Jesus Christ, we have been set free from the dominion and tyranny of sin. And yet, in this life, we are not entirely free from the body of sin. Daily sins of weakness arise in us; blemishes cling to us, even to our best works. They give us continual cause to humble ourselves before God and to flee to the refuge of Christ crucified. *Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

**The Prayer of Confession**, *minister only*

God our Father, you are good and always ready to forgive. Give us humility before you and faith in you, that with godly sorrow we may remember our sins, which are many and grievous; the duties to you and to others that we have left undone; the temptations we have not resisted; the evils into which we have fallen. And, as we remember these things, give us more grace, to confess what you already know, and so be cleansed of guilt, washed of shame...

**The Individual Confession of Sin**, *in silence*

**The Prayer for Grace and Peace**, *in unison*

**Forgive us, Lord we pray. Cleanse us and we shall be clean; wash us and we shall be whiter than snow. Only you can purify our hearts and free us from the guilt, the defilement, the shame of our disordered loves. Grant us, therefore, forgiveness, pardon, purity, and peace of heart, and by the grace of your Spirit in us, turn our love to you. For the sake of Jesus Christ our Redeemer and Advocate. AMEN.**

*To Glorify God and to Enjoy Him Forever*

**The Assurance of Pardon** Romans 8:1-4

*There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.*

**The Hymn Insert**, *standing as able* Come Down, O Love Divine

**The Will of God** Ephesians 5:1, 2, 8-10; Philippians 2:3, 4, Romans 13:8

*Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God... Walk as children of the light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord.... Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.... Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.*

*All may be seated*

**The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

*You are invited to write down your ministry and/or prayer requests (joys and concerns) on the cards in the cards in the pew racks. Please place them in the offering plate or hand them to one of the elders at the end of the service.*

**The Prayer of Dedication**

**The Offertory**

**The Doxology**, *standing as able* Thomas Ken, 1674

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav’nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN.**

*All may be seated*

**The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

**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.***

**The Scripture Lessons** John 14:15-18

**The Prayer for Illumination**

**The Sermon** Pastor Frank C. Ellis, Jr.

**The Hymn 529**, *standing as able* Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*To Glorify God and to Enjoy Him Forever*

*If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth...*

~Jesus, John 14:15, 16

Whether you wish to look at the things of old...or whether you wish to consider the accomplishments surrounding Lord’s presence in the flesh, it all comes about through the Spirit.

~St. Basil the Great, *On the Holy Spirit* 16.39

The Holy Spirit ‘enflames our hearts with the love of God and with zealous devotion.’

~John Calvin, *Institutes* III.1.3

Because the Spirit is the hovering wind that forms the formlessness, fills the void, brightens the darkness.

Because the Spirit is the breath that gives Adam life.

Because the Lord comes into the garden in the Spirit of the day to breathe out judgment to Adam and Eve.

Because the Spirit strives with flesh.

Because the Spirit equips Bezalel and Oholiab with wisdom to make furnishings for the tabernacle.

Because the Spirit blows back the waters of the flood, and the waters of the Red Sea, and the nations of Canaan.

Because the Spirit is the armor of Othniel, Gideon, Jephthah, Samson, Saul, David, and Jesus.

Because the Spirit was not taken from David.

Because the Spirit filled Solomon’s temple so that the priests could not stand.

Because the Spirit of Elijah came upon Elisha, and lifted Ezekiel to carry him to the temple in Jerusalem.

Because the Spirit renews the face of the ground, and makes dry bones live.

Because God has put His Spirit in us so that we can walk in His statutes, commandments, and laws.

Because the Spirit descends like a dove, and He is the finger of God that casts out demons.

Because the Spirit brings good news to the poor.

Because the Spirit enables sons and daughters to prophecy, see visions, and dream dreams.

Because it is by one Spirit that we have access to the one Father.

Because the law of the Spirit of life has set us free from the law of sin and death.

Because we are baptized and sealed by one Spirit into one body, to produce His fruits.

Because the seven Spirits are the eyes of the Lord that range to and fro throughout the earth.

Because the Spirit and bride say, Come.

Lest we grieve the Spirit.

~Peter Leithart