

PENTECOST
May 24, 2026

THE CHURCH GATHERS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Austin Pounds, Liturgist

Leader: All together in one place.

People: They heard the rush of a violent wind; it filled the entire house.

Leader: Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared and rested on each of them.

People: They were filled with the Holy Spirit. Let us worship God!

***HYMN #129** *(see bulletin)*

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

Newton/Haydn

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

God’s Spirit is alive and at work among us, gathering us for worship, calling us to return to God through prayer, praise and confession. Let us pray together.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Spirit of the Living God, we hesitate and doubt. You call us to act boldly, but fear keeps us quiet and circling. We confess our lack of courage, splintered by uncertainty and second-guessing. Forgive us for all the times we shrink from your call. Embolden us to dream beyond what we know and imagine the world as beloved community. Let your Spirit fill us, prodding us beyond inertia. Grant that we might be Christ’s body, not in fits and starts but with steady conviction. Guided by your Holy Spirit, help us be active participants in ushering in your peaceful kingdom...

Our prayers continue in silence

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON:** (ACTS 2:21)

Leader: “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed.

People: Thanks be to God!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Share the peace of Christ with one another.

***HYMN #279** *(see bulletin)*

“Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove”

Watts/Dykes

WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH OFFERINGS AND PRAISE

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Open our hearts and minds by the power of your Spirit, Holy God, that we might hear and receive the message you intend for us today. Amen.

FIRST READING:

Joel 2:21-32

ANTHEM

“Spirit Come Down”

Mark Hayes

SECOND READING:

Acts 2:1-21

SERMON

“Before and After”

Rev. Rick Douylliez

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

The Apostles' Creed

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; 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.

*HYMN #317 (see bulletin)

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

Oxehnam/Burleigh

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Leader: May the Spirit of God ignite you. May the love of Christ renew you. May the Holy Spirit fill all of us on this Pentecost Sunday and the days to come.

People: Alleluia! Amen!

POSTLUDE

(* *We stand as we are able*

On Pentecost Sunday, the flowers are given to the Church to remind us that we need grace, we need courage, and we need the Holy Spirit to renew our hearts and purify our desires.

Veni Sancte Spiritus; “Come, Holy Spirit!”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ELDERS OF THE MONTH: Brooks Sheldon and Melody Jenkins

Choir Rehearsal moves to 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays for the summer

Sunday, May 24 at 12:15 p.m. CORNERSTONES TRIP to see “Fiddler on the Roof”

Sunday, May 24 Rick heads to St. Marys; returns Thursday, June 4

Monday, May 25 MEMORIAL DAY – office closed

Wednesday, May 27 at 10:45 a.m. OUR TIME trip to Flint RiverQuarium

Sunday, May 31 at 3:30 p.m. Resonance Alternative Worship Service

Tuesday, June 2 at 4 p.m. MISSIONS

Wednesday, June 3 at 5 p.m. DINNER at FIVE- Three Crazy Bakers

Saturday, June 6 at 4 p.m. Cool-Off Community Cookout

Monday, June 8 at 9 a.m. Personnel

Monday, June 8 at 10 a.m. Christian Service

Wednesday, June 10 at 4 p.m. Spiritual Growth

Wednesday, June 10 NO CHOIR

Wednesday, June 10 at 4:30 p.m. DINNER at FIVE road trip George & Louie’s

FLINT RIVERQUARIUM TRIP THIS WEDNESDAY

Join us on our trip to the Flint RiverQuarium Wednesday, May 27 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Meet at 10:45 at the church and we will stop for a bite to eat before heading out to Albany. \$10 per child for ticket & food. Contact Austin to reserve your spot: dcefirstpresmoultrie@gmail.com. Invite your friends!

DINNER AT FIVE

Starting Wednesday, June 3rd, we will meet weekly at a different restaurant while WATCH suppers are on break for the summer. Our first meet-up will be at Three Crazy Bakers on June 3 at 5 p.m. Please let the office know if you are interested: firstpresmoultrie@gmail.com. *Check the bulletin board & lobby tables for the full summer schedule.*

COOL-OFF COMMUNITY COOKOUT JUNE 6TH FROM 4-7PM

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 6th, 4 to 7 p.m., for this community-wide, free event for all ages to be held here at First Presbyterian Church! **Beat the Georgia Heat** with us as we enjoy water games and hamburgers & hot dogs. Invite your friends, family and neighbors. It will be an afternoon of fun for the whole family, including a raffle to benefit the local food bank: \$5 per ticket —you could win a family season pass to the pool!

WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS! Email Austin at dcefirstpresmoultrie@gmail.com.

HELPING HANDS BOX: SERENITY HOUSE

Help us this quarter as we collect items to benefit our local refuge for victims of domestic violence. Serenity House needs these items: non-perishable food items, hygiene products, toilet paper, paper towels, cleaning supplies, trash bags, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, diapers/wipes, new socks and new women’s underwear.