



# Ardmore Moravian Church

May 24, 2026

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WATCH WORD FOR THE WEEK:

*Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;  
and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord.*

1 Corinthians 12:4,5

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## Acts 2:1-21

**2** When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. **2** 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. **3** Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. **4** All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

**5** Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. **6** And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. **7** Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" **8** And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? **9** Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, **10** Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, **11** Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." **12** All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" **13** But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

**14** But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews<sup>[a]</sup> and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. **15** Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. **16** No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: **17** '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. **18** Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. **19** And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. **20** The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. **21** Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

# ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH

Day of Pentecost

May 24, 2026

Prelude      “Eternal Spirit of the Living God” Charles Callahan

Call to Worship

Gathering Songs of Praise

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”

*Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,  
open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You, I want to see You*

*Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,  
open the eyes of my heart  
I want to see You, I want to see You*

*To see You high and lifted up  
shining in the light of Your glory  
Pour out Your power and love  
as we sing holy holy holy*

*Open the eyes of my heart, Lord,  
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*Holy holy holy  
Holy holy holy  
Holy holy holy  
I want to see You*

*“Shine, Jesus, Shine”*

*Lord the light of your love is shining.  
In the midst of the darkness shining.  
Jesus light of the world, shine upon us.  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
Shine on me... Shine on me...*

*Chorus Shine Jesus shine,  
fill this land with the Father's Glory  
Blaze Spirit blaze, set our hearts on fire.  
Flow river flow flood the nation with grace and mercy.  
Send forth your word. Lord and let there be light.*

*Lord I come to your awesome presence  
from the shadows into your radiance,  
By your blood I may enter your brightness,  
search me, try me, consume all my darkness.*

*Shine on me... Shine on me...*

*Chorus*

*As we gaze on Your Kingly brightness  
so our faces display your likeness,  
Ever changing from Glory to Glory,  
mirrored here may our lives tell Your story.*

*Shine on me... Shine on me...*

*Chorus*

Welcome and Announcements

Moravian Baptism Liturgy

*“Jesus Makes My Heart Rejoice” MBW # 662*

*Jesus makes my heart rejoice,  
I’m his sheep, and know his voice;  
he’s a Shepherd, kind and gracious,  
and his pastures are delicious;  
constant love to me he shows,  
yea, my very name he knows.*

*Trusting his mild staff always,  
I go in and out in peace;  
he will feed me with treasure  
of his grace in richest measure;  
when athirst to him I cry,  
living water he'll supply.*

*Should not I for gladness leap,  
led by Jesus as his sheep?  
For when these blessed days are over  
to the arms of my dear Savior  
I shall be conveyed to rest.  
Amen, yea, my lot is blessed.*

In grace God called and chose the people of Israel and established with them a covenant: I will be your God and you will be my people. In that relationship they were to be freed from sin and become a blessing to all. Then God came to us in Jesus Christ and fulfilled that covenant for all people. Through Christ's life, death, and resurrection, God made for us a new covenant of Grace.

**We come before you with joy, O God, to claim the promises of your covenant.**

Our Lord Jesus Christ instituted baptism as the visible means of entry into the new covenant. Baptism is a gift of God. In this sacrament, through grace and the power of the Holy Spirit, we are united with Christ, are cleansed by his saving

work, enter into the fellowship of the church, and are called to a life of faith and willing obedience.

Those of you baptized into Christ Jesus, how were you baptized?

**Into his death. We were buried with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glorious power of God Almighty, we too might be raised to live a new life.**

In baptism children also share in the benefits of our Lord's redeeming work through God's grace and the faith of parents, and of the church,

**For God's promise is to us and to our children.**

(The minister addresses the parents and sponsors.)

As you present yourselves before God and this congregation, we call on you to profess your faith.

Do you believe in God as your Creator and loving heavenly Father, in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord, and in the Holy Spirit as your Comforter and Sustainer, according to the Holy Scriptures?

**I do.**

Lord, make us one with all your children as we profess our faith, saying:

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the  
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

(The minister addresses the parents and sponsors.)

Do you in this faith turn away from sin, evil, and selfishness in your thoughts, words and actions; and do you intend to participate actively in Christ's church, serving God all the days of your life?

**I do.**

Relying on the power of the Holy Spirit, do you promise to lead your child by prayer, instruction, and example toward the time when she can by grace confirm her faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and commit herself to the life and work of the church?

**I do.**

(The minister addresses the congregation.)

Do you receive and affirm this child of God as a member of this congregation, and accept your obligation to love and nurture her in Christ?

**We do.**

MBW pg. 167

*An infant we present to thee  
as thy redeemed property,  
And thee most fervently entreat  
thyself this child to consecrate  
by baptism, and her soul to bless,  
out of the fullness of thy grace.*

We thank you, gracious God, for the gift of water, which you have created and given to us as a sign of life. We recall with gratitude how you led your people from slavery to freedom through the waters of the sea. We rejoice in the gift of the Holy Spirit at the baptism of your Son in the waters of the Jordan, and we praise you for opening to us the way of

eternal life through his death and resurrection. Now send your Spirit upon Ella, who receives the water of baptism today, so that she may become a living, growing, and active member of your church, rise to new life, be led and nourished by your word and sacraments, and share in your eternal blessings.

**Amen.**

Give to these parents and sponsors your wisdom and strength, that with love and understanding they may guide to Christian maturity the young life entrusted to their care.

**Amen.**

Ella Leslie Saint, into the death of Jesus I baptize you, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

(Each newly baptized person receives the laying on of hands, symbolizing the pouring out of the Holy Spirit. Parents and sponsors of young children join with the minister in the laying on of hands.)

Now through God's grace and the pouring out of the Holy Spirit, you have been brought into the covenant; therefore live, yet not you alone, but Christ live in you; and the life which you live now, live by faith in the Son of God, who loved you and gave his life for you.

The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto you;

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace;

**In the name of Jesus. Amen.**

MBW pg. 169

*Here in the name of Christ our Lord,  
the church's Head by all adored,  
with Christian love and purpose true,  
this church in faith embraces you.*

*We welcome you among us here,  
with joy that God has brought you near.  
With heart and hand we pledge our love  
and pray Christ's blessing from above.*

*The God of peace you sanctify  
and bless you richly from on high,  
That spirit, soul, and body  
may reflect God's presence ev'ry day.*

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Spirit, Sing"

Joseph M. Martin

Response "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

*Amen*

Prayer

Scripture Lessons

Acts 2:1-21

I Corinthians 12:3b-13

John 20:19-23

*“Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire” RH # 226*

*Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,  
And lighten with celestial fire;  
Thou the anointing Spirit art,  
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.*

*Thy blessed unction from above  
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.  
Enable with perpetual light  
The dullness of our blinded sight.*

*Anoint our heart and cheer our face  
With the abundance of thy grace.  
Keep far our foes; give peace at home;  
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.*

*Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
And thee, of both, to be but one;  
That through the ages all along  
Thy praise may be our endless song!*

Service of Holy Communion in Celebration of Pentecost  
Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father, and from the  
Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all.

**Amen. Thanks be to God.**

(Standing. During the playing of the following hymn, the  
congregation gives the right hand of fellowship, signifying  
oneness in Christ and the desire to be at peace with one  
another. As the hymn is played a second time, the  
congregation joins together to sing.)

“Spirit Song”

*O let the Son of God enfold you  
with his Spirit and his love;  
Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul  
O let him have the things that hold you,  
and his Spirit, like a dove,  
Will descend upon your life and make you whole  
  
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs  
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs  
  
O come and sing the song with gladness  
as your hearts are filled with joy  
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name  
O give him all your tears and sadness,*

*give him all your years of pain,  
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name  
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs  
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs*

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

(Sitting. As the bread is served,  
the communicants stand to receive it.)

“Breathe On Me, Breath Of God” MBW # 494

*Breathe on me, breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love the things you love  
and do what you would do.*

*Breathe on me, breath of God,  
my will to yours incline,  
until this selfish part of me  
glows with your fire divine.*

*Breathe on me, breath of God,  
so shall I never die,  
but live with you the perfect life  
of your eternity.*

*The church’s one foundation  
is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
She is his new creation  
by water and the word;  
From heaven he came and sought her  
to be his holy bride;  
with his own blood he bought her  
and for her life he died.*

*Elect from ev’ry nation,  
yet one o’er all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation:  
one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy name she blesses,  
partakes one holy food;  
And to one hope she presses  
with ev’ry grace endued.*

*Yet she on earth has union  
with God, the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion  
with those whose rest is won;  
O blessed heav’nly chorus!  
Lord, save us by your grace,  
That we, like saints before us,  
may see you face to face.*

(When the bread has been served,  
the communicants stand.)

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.

(All partake together.)

Silent Prayer

By your divine presence, by the holy sacraments, by all the merits of your life, sufferings, death, and resurrection,

**Bless and comfort us, gracious Lord and God. Amen.**

In the same way, after supper our Lord Jesus Christ took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sin. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

(Sitting. As the cup is served,  
the communicants stand to receive it.)

“The Savior’s Blood and Righteousness” MBW pg. 201

*The Savior’s blood and righteousness*

*my beauty is, my glorious dress;*

*Thus well arrayed, I need not fear,*

*when in his presence I appear.*

*The holy, spotless Lamb of God,  
who freely gave his life and blood,*

*For all my numerous sins to atone,  
I for my Lord and Savior own.*

*Refresh your thirsting people, Lord,  
and bid our drooping spirits live,  
And more, that energy afford  
a Savior's love alone can give.*

*"All in All"*

*You are my strength when I am weak  
you are the treasure that I seek*

*You are my all in all*

*Seeking You as a precious jewel*

*Lord to give up I'd be a fool*

*You are my all in all*

*Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name;*

*Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name.*

*Taking my sin my cross my shame*

*rising again I bless your name*

*You are my all in all*

*When I fall down you pick me up*

*when I am dry You fill my cup*

*You are my all in all*

*Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name;*

*Jesus Lamb of God worthy is Your name.*

(When the cup has been served,  
the communicants stand.)

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Drink from this, all of you. Do this,  
whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

(All partake together.)

Silent Prayer

Christ, the Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world.

**Grant to us your peace. Amen**

Whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim  
the Lord's death,

**Until he comes.**

(As the hymn is played, the congregation gives the right hand  
of fellowship, signifying renewed dedication and unity of  
purpose in the service of Christ. As it is played a second time,  
the congregation joins together to sing.)

“We Who Here Together Are Assembled” MBW pg. 207

*We who here together are assembled,*

*joining hearts and hands in one,*

*Bind ourselves with love that's undissembled,*

*Christ to love and serve alone.*

*O may our imperfect songs and praises*

*be well pleasing unto you, Lord Jesus.*

*Say: “My peace I leave with you.”*

*Amen, amen, be it so.*

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious unto  
you;  
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you  
peace.


**In the name of Jesus. Amen.**

Benediction


Please be seated and use this time to listen to the Postlude  
and reflect upon how God is calling you to live, to love, and  
to serve in the week to come.

Postlude “Recessional on Veni Creator Spiritus ”

Russell Schulz Widmar



*The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this morning to the  
glory of God and His Son in recognition of the Day of  
Pentecost and in honor of the baptism of Ella Leslie Saint,  
given by her grandmothers Leslie Redding and Diane Saint.*



## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK**

### **Sunday, May 24 – Day of Pentecost**

- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Communion Worship Service  
Baptism of Ella Leslie Saint

### **Monday, May 25 – Memorial Day**

### **Wednesday – May 27**

- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

### **Sunday, May 31 – Trinity Sunday**

- 9:30 AM Sunday School
- 10:30 AM Worship Service

# PEOPLE FOR WHOM WE ARE PRAYING



## ***Members***

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***\*Please contact the church office to add or remove individuals from the prayer list.***



## You're Invited!

The Mizpah Congregation is honored to host the friends and family of Rev. Charles Fishel with a reception in his honor on May 31, 2026, as a way of recognizing his faithful ministry, which he began at Mizpah as our first full-time pastor in 1963.

Please also join us in acknowledging two recent milestones in his life that are especially worth celebrating:

- Charlie is enjoying his tenth decade (he's a young 91), and
- He has been awarded the prestigious John Hus Alumni Award by Moravian School of Theology which recognizes alumni who, through outstanding service and loyalty to ministry, have brought distinction to the work of ministry and to Moravian School of Theology. It is appropriately named for John Hus, one of the great leaders of the Christian Church, who is revered as a pastor, preacher, scholar, and martyr for his faith.

The reception is from 3 to 5:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall of Mizpah Moravian Church,  
3165 Mizpah Church Road, Rural Hall, NC.

*The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree; he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those who are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bear fruit in old age. They shall be fresh and flourishing, to declare that the Lord is upright. He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him. Psalm 92:12-15*







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