

The Presbyterian Church at Tenaflly



For Every Heart a Home

**June 8th, 2025 at 10:30am
Day of Pentecost**

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie
Liturgist: Nancy Smith

Welcome to worship! If you are visiting or here for the first time and would like to stay in touch with us, please consider filling in one of the contact cards that you will find alongside the hymnals or you can use this QR code. These can be placed in the offering plate or handed to an usher. Church School for children happens during the 10:30am worship service. Ask one of the ushers for directions if you would like to take your child through to join in.



Prelude

Welcome, Sharing the Peace and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

*** Hymn** *Like Fireworks in the Night* (see page 6)

Prayer of Approach and Confession

(unison)

**God is love and we are God's children. There is no room for fear in love.
We love because God loved us first.**

Silence . . .

Kyrie Eleison

Martin sings:	Kyrie Eleison
Congregation, Choir & Cantor:	Kyrie Eleison
Martin sings:	Christe Eleison
Congregation, Choir & Cantor:	Christe Eleison
Martin sings:	Kyrie Eleison
Congregation, Choir & Cantor:	Kyrie Eleison

Declaration of Forgiveness

Liturgist

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,
The power and the glory, forever. **AMEN**

Collect for the Day

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Spirit of God.....

*Spirit of God, unseen as the wind
Gentle as is the dove.
Teach us the truth and help us believe,
Show us the Savior's love.*

Song

When the Spirit of the Lord is Within My Heart (see page 7)

Telling the Reading . . . the Story of Ruth

Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Bell Choir

Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Ding!

Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Liturgist

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 people 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, “Fellow Jews 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.’

Choir Anthem *If Ye Love Me*, by Thomas Tallis

If you love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the father, and he shall give you another comforter. And he may abide with you forever, even the spirit of truth.

(John 14:15-17)

Sermon *Pentecost: The Birthday of the Church?* Rev. Dr. Martin Ritchie

Sharing our Gifts during which we hear *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God*, by Townend and Getty (with Noelle Perrin, Flute).

If you are visiting or would like to make an extra offering on top of your usual contribution to the church, you can use your smart phone to scan this QR code to make a donation by credit card (3% surcharge) or by debit card (no surcharge). Cash and check donations are always acceptable!

GENERAL OFFERING



Dedication Prayer

Liturgist

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Jack Rexroth

***Hymn**

We Sing a Love that Sets All People Free

We sing a love that sets all people free,
that blows like wind, that burns like scorching flame,
enfolds like earth, springs up like water clear:
come, living love, live in our hearts today.

We sing a love that seeks another's good,
that longs to serve and not to count the cost,
a love that, yielding, finds itself made new:
come, caring love, live in our hearts today.

We sing a love, unflinching, unafraid
to be itself, despite another's wrath,
a love that stands alone and undismayed:
come, strengthening love, live in our hearts today.

We sing a love, that, wandering, will not rest
until it finds its way, its home, its source,
through joy and sadness pressing on refreshed:
come, pilgrim love, live in our hearts today.

We sing a burning, fiery, Holy Ghost
that seeks out shades of ancient bitterness,
transfiguring these, as Christ in every heart:
come joyful love, live in our hearts today.

Charge, Benediction and Celtic Amen

Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen (x2)

Postlude

***Those who are able, please stand.**

Like Fireworks in the Night

ST JOHN

Soprano
Alto

1. Like fire-works in the night the Ho - ly Spi - rit
 2. For Je - sus bade them dare to ven - ture, as they
 3. Thus God our spi - rits lifts fresh dar - ing to in -

Tenor
Bass

4

came; dis - ci - ples fear took flight when touched by fronds of
 should; his love taught them to share their homes, pos - ses - sions,
 spire; as com - mon folk get gifts to change the world en -

8

flame: and sud - den - ly the world was young as
 food: the mind of Je - sus gave them speech all
 tire: the tongues of flame at Pen - te - cost ran

11

hope em - braced a Sav - our's claim.
 tribes and peo - ples un - der - stood.
 through the world like for - est fire.

When the Spirit of the Lord (Dance as David Danced)

Composer Unknown

When the Spi-rit of the Lord is with - in my heart, I will dance as Da-vid danced. When the

Spi-rit of the Lord is with - in my heart, I will dance as Da-vid danced. I will

dance, I will dance, I will dance as Da - vid danced. I will

dance, I will dance, I will dance as Da - vid danced.

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- 1 When the Spirit of the Lord is within my heart,
I will dance as David danced.
When the Spirit of the Lord is within my heart
I will dance as David danced.
I will dance, I will dance, I will dance as David danced.
I will dance, I will dance, I will dance as David danced.
- 2 When the Spirit of the Lord is within my heart,
I will sing as David sang.
When the Spirit of the Lord is within my heart
I will sing as David sang.
I will sing, I will sing, I will sing as David sang.
I will sing, I will sing, I will sing as David sang.
- 3 When the Spirit of the Lord is within my heart,
I will praise as David praised.
- 4 When the Spirit of the Lord is within my heart,
I will clap as David clapped.

Announcements

NEXT SUNDAY

Joint intergenerational worship for Youth Sunday at 10:30am in the Sanctuary

Livestreaming of Worship. Today's service is broadcast live online. You can watch the service again later via our website homepage if you wish to. Huge thanks to our entire technical team.

Deacons' Strawberry Festival follows worship today in the gardens, if the weather is good, or in the church house. Come enjoy tasty strawberries and ice cream! Big thanks to the Deacons for their hospitality.

Pentecost Offering. The Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. Envelopes are available to pick up in the Narthex. Won't you join in your support today when we take the Pentecost offering? If we all do a little, it adds up to a lot.

Adventures in Faith: Our Adventures in Faith program will continue **every Wednesday** at noon through July, taking a break in August. Bring your lunch if you like – drinks and treats provided. This week we invite you to come along and share scripture that has influenced your faith and life. Which Bible passages or stories have been meaningful to you? You can talk about a passage or just listen to others. Everyone is welcome!

PCAT Men's Group. Monday June 23rd at the Englewood Field Club for pickleball and pizza! For the adventurous, Ken Persson has reserved two pickleball courts from 6:15 to 7:30pm for those who would like to try their hand at pickleball before we enjoy pizza and beverages on the terrace. Come play or just come enjoy pizza, drinks and company at 7:30pm. Let Jim Crook (201) 543-7227 or Pastor Martin know if you are coming so that we know how much pizza to order. Guest fee for pickleball is \$12 each. Bring cash for pizza and drinks at the pay bar. (Please note, not BYOB).

PresbyReaders. Looking ahead to July 13th, Pastor Martin will facilitate a discussion on Izzeldin Abuelaish's, *I Shall Not Hate* at Viki Shima's home at 4pm. Mark your calendars.

Vacation Bible Camp. Registration is open for our *Underwater Adventure* which will run for three days; August 25th – 27th from 9:30am – 12:30pm. Sign up today and invite a friend!

Community Choir and Orchestra. Huge thanks to Jim Millar and all the performers for an amazing concert last Sunday evening. Big thanks also to everyone who came to support them. It was a great night and you can watch it again on our YouTube channel at some point in the near future!

Pledges. Bills still need to be paid in the summer! Consider bringing your pledge up to date before summer travels. Thank you!

Worship in June

June 15th Intergenerational Worship for Youth Sunday at 10:30am in the Sanctuary

Join us to affirm our young people and those who nurture them.

June 22nd Music Sunday. Joint worship at 10:30am in the Sanctuary.

Join us to affirm our musicians. Pastor Martin is presiding, with guest preacher, Rev. Dr. Doug Gay, Principal of Trinity College in the University of Glasgow, Scotland.

**June 29th Summer worship at 10am in the Sanctuary
(worship is at 10am through August)**

Coffee hour after worship throughout the summer.
Volunteer hosts are welcome to sign up; contact the office please.

Regular Groups at PCAT

GROUP	WHEN	CONTACT
AA (Morning Glory)	Saturdays 10:30am JHH	Jay McSherry JayMcSherry@earthlink.net
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