

# Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

MAY 23, 2021

Pentecost Sunday

10:00 a.m.

*Welcome to this Sacred Time and Holy Place of Worship.*

Quote 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, your old shall dream dreams and your young shall see visions.”*

- Joel 1:1a; 2:28–29

GREETING and PASSING OF THE PEACE

Elder Nancy Thaiss

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Chris Scrivens

PRELUDE:

**“Feel the Spirit”** A Medley of 3 Spirituals  
CPC Bell Choir

arr. by Ruth Elaine Schram

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Elder Nancy Thaiss

One: God our creator, earth has many languages,  
but your gospel proclaims your love  
to all nations in one heavenly tongue.

**All: Make us messengers of the good news  
that, through the power of your Spirit,  
all the world may unite in one song of praise;  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Amen.**

Opening Hymn: #280

**“Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us”**  
with CPC Bell Choir accompaniment

Cantor Robin Chu

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; come with Pentecostal power;  
give the church a stronger vision; help us face each crucial hour.

Built upon a firm foundation, Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,  
still the church is called to mission that God’s love shall be made known.

We would raise our alleluias for the grace of yester-years;  
for tomorrow’s unknown pathway, hear, O Lord, our humble prayers.

In the church’s pilgrim journey you have led us all the way;  
still in presence move before us, fire by night and cloud by day.

Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; give us words of fire and flame.

Help our feeble lips to praise you, glorify your holy name.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One: what mystery!

We would sing our loud hosannas now and through eternity.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Elder Nancy Thaiss.

**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 a 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 your faithful people,*

*doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.*

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Elder Nancy Thaiss

**\*Sung response:**

**“Gloria Patri”**

Cantor Robin Chu

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.

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

**Prophets:**

**Ezekel 37:1-14**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

**New Testament:**

**Acts 2:1-21**

Elder Nancy Thaiss

**Gospel:**

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

Rev. Chris Scrivens

### Response:

**One:** This is the Word of God.

**All:** *Thanks be to God!*

### SERMON:

**“Feeling the Fire”**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

### MUSICAL INTERLUDE:

**“Spirit of the Living God”**

*arr. by Olive Huisman*

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### LITANY FOR PENTECOST

**One:** Holy Spirit, Creator,

in the beginning you moved over the waters. From your breath all creation drew life.

Without you, life turns to dust.

**All:** *Come, Holy Spirit!*

**One:** Holy Spirit, Counselor,

by your inspiration, the prophets spoke and acted in faith. You clothed them in power to be bearers of your Word.

**All:** *Come, Holy Spirit!*

**One:** Holy Spirit, Power,

you came as fire to Jesus' disciples;

you gave them voice before the rulers of this world.

**All:** *Come, Holy Spirit!*

One: Holy Spirit, Sanctifier,  
you created us children of God;  
you make us the living temple of your presence;  
you intercede within us with sighs too deep for words.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit!**

One: Holy Spirit, Giver of life,  
you guide and make holy the church you create; you give gifts—  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and fortitude,  
the spirit of knowledge and piety,  
the spirit of the fear of the Lord,  
that the whole creation may become what you want it to be.

**All: Come, Holy Spirit!**

One: True and only Light,  
from whom comes every good gift:  
Send your Spirit into our lives  
with the power of a mighty wind.  
Open the horizons of our minds  
by the flame of your wisdom.  
Loosen our tongues to show your praise,  
for only in your Spirit can we voice your words of peace  
and acclaim Jesus as Lord. Amen

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING** - (*in-person worshippers are welcome to leave offerings  
in the plate by the door on your way out.*)

**OFFERING PRAYER**

Elder Nancy Thaiss

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

**PASTORAL PRAYER and 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.***

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*BENEDICTION**

Rev. Chris Scrivens

**POSTLUDE:**

**"Faith of Our Fathers"**

*arr. by Olive Huisman*

*\*If you are able, please stand.*

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**Participating in today's Worship and Fellowship are . . .**

Pastor:	The Reverend Christopher W. Scrivens
Lay Assistant:	Elder Nancy Thaiss.
Director of Family Ministries:	Deacon Melissa Ash
Music Director:	Matt Petrozelli
Organist:	Mary Elizabeth Rawley
Ushers/Greeters:	John and Beth Pfaff

Scripture readings for next Sunday, May 30 are: Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14 and *Psalm 104:24-34, 35b*; Romans 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Lay Assistant for May 30: Deacon Tom Perry  
Ushers for May 30: Carolyn Bearlepp, John Hellriegel

***Welcome to our Worship Service*** ~ *in our Sanctuary and live-streamed!!* Our church members are asked to introduce themselves to any visitors or members they don't know and introduce visitors to us.



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