



Pentecost Sunday

May 19, 2024 || Virtual Campus

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Assemble in God's Name

We joyfully welcome you to worship this morning!
All are invited to use the Reflection and Prelude as a time of preparation.

Prayerful Reflection

Roddy Hamilton (*adapted*)

Spirit... spirit... spirit... spirit...
Come Spirit
 scoundrel of grace
 invade and infect us
 with goosebumps and justice
Come Spirit
 spark in the chaos
 and unstop our ears
 to the song in creation
Come Spirit
 rascal of heaven
 bring us to the edge
 of all things created
Come now... now... now... now

Prelude

When You Do This, Remember Me

arr. Cathy Moglebust

Welcome

Moment for Mission

**Call to Worship*

Rev. Joanna Harader (*adapted*)

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit,

People: The wind of God, the breath of Life.
Leader: *Come, Holy Spirit,*
People: Our Advocate, our Counselor.
Leader: *Come, Holy Spirit,*
People: Teacher of Wisdom, Reminder of Christ.
Leader: *Come, Holy Spirit,*
People: Granter of forgiveness, giver of peace.
Leader: *Come, Holy Spirit.*
People: We worship you now.

**Hymn #280*

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

Ebenezer

1 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; come with
 2 We would raise our al - le - lu - ias for the
 3 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; give us

Pen - te - cos - tal power; give the church a
 grace of yes - ter - years; for to - mor - row's
 words of fire and flame. Help our fee - ble

strong - er vi - sion; help us face each cru - cial hour.
 un - known path - way, hear, O Lord, our hum - ble prayers.
 lips to praise you, glo - ri - fy your ho - ly name.

Built up - on a firm foun - da - tion, Je - sus Christ, the
 In the church - 's pil - grim jour - ney you have led us
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One: what

Cor - ner - stone, still the church is called to
 all the way; still in pres - ence move be -
 mys - ter - y! We would sing our loud ho -

mis - sion that God's love shall be made known.
 fore us, fire by night and cloud by day.
 san - nas now and through e - ter - ni - ty.

**Invitation to Confess*

**Prayer of Confession*

Joyce Berger (*adapted*)

Triune God,
 who came in Christ and is here in Spirit,
 We confess our world is broken;
 we are broken.
 Yet we resist your Spirit's healing winds that require
 a desire to change,
 a willingness to be uncomfortable,
 a letting go of the dead to which we cling.
 We claim we want reconciliation and revitalization.
 But we resist your Spirit's renewing winds that require
 deep humility,
 overflowing generosity,
 self-emptying love.

O God, open us to the untamed glory of your Spirit.
 May it move us and move through us,
 shifting our perspectives
 and renewing our faith,

that we would see your Kingdom anew,
and our call to serve its realization!

~ silent reflection & confession ~

**Assurance of Grace*

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!
God's Spirit is with you and in you,
filling you with grace and love and life!

People: Blessed with gifts of the Spirit, we are redeemed
and freed to pursue God's kingdom! Amen!

Response to Grace

I'll Fly Away

When the Lord re - deems the ver - y least, we will re-joyce.
When the hun - gry gath - er for the feast, we will re-joyce.
We will re-joyce with glad - ness. We will re-joyce.
All our days we'll sing to God in praise. We will re-joyce!

GTG: 852

**Passing of the Peace*

Leader: As Jesus was preparing his disciples for his departure, he said, "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."
Friends, may the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

~ All worshipping virtually are invited to greet and share peace with others in the "Comments" section. ~

Children's Message

Third Grade Bibles

Litany of Blessing

Heather Prince Doss (*adapted*)

Leader: You do not only read these words on your own.

You also come to God's word in the context of a community.

People: We hope that as you read the Bible, you will bring your enthusiasm, questions, doubts, and thoughts to our church to find a loving, supporting, listening and teaching community. We want to grow with you in faith and understanding.

Parents: We promise to read these words with you, to listen to your questions, to share our ideas, and be honest about our doubts. We want to grow with you in faith and understanding.

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

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

*Leader: For the word of God in Scripture,
For the word of God among us,
For the word of God within us,*

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Respond in Thanks & Faith

Hymn #278

*Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire
(stanza 1 - choir; stanzas 2-4 - all)*

Veni Creator Spiritus



1 Come, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spire, and light - en
 2 Thy bless - ed unc - tion from a - bove is com - fort,
 3 Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son, and thee, of



with ce - les - tial fire; thou the a - noint - ing
 life, and fire of love; en - a - ble with per -
 both, to be but one, that through the a - ges



Spir - it art, who dost thy seven - fold gifts im - part.
 pet - ual light the dull - ness of our mor - tal sight.
 all a - long this may be our end - less song:



4 Praise to thine e - ter - nal mer - it, Fa - ther,



Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it. A - men.

Offering Our Gifts to God

Ways to offer financial gifts:

- Towsonpres.org – click orange “Give” button at top of page
- Text “CheerfulGiver” (one word; no spaces; case sensitive) to 73256
- Drop off or mail check to the church
- Scan this QR code →



Anthem

The heavens are telling the glory of God

F.J. Haydn

Prayers of the People & 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.

Hymn #292

As the Wind Song

Wairua Tapu



1 As the wind song through the trees, as the
 2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the
 1 風 之 頌, 林 中 吹 送, 輕 風
 2 彩 之 虹, 雨 後 高 懸, 生 之



stir - ring of the breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of
 hope that's born a - gain, so it is with the Spir - it of
 送, 心 中 振 動, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹
 盼, 人 間 再 現, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹



God, as the heart made strange-ly warm, as the
 God, as the green in the spring, as a
 送; 心 溫 暖, 奇 異 難 明, 風 浪
 送; 春 天 裡, 青 山 綠 水, 線 上



voice with - in the storm, so it is with the Spir - it of
 kite on a string, so it is with the Spir - it of
 中, 靜 聽 主 聲, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹
 繫 飛 揚 風 箏, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹



God. Nev - er seen, ev - er known where this wind has
 God, mak - ing worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come
 送; 眼 不 見, 心 未 明, 風 來 去 何
 送; 大 地 萬 象 更 新, 和 平 終 實



blown bring-ing life, bring-ing power to the world,
 true, bring-ing gifts, bring-ing love to the world,
 蹤, 給 世 人 賜 生 命 加 力 量;
 現, 給 世 人 帶 來 愛 和 禮 物;



as the danc - ing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de -
 as the ris - ing of the yeast, as the wine at the
 火 之 舌, 跳 動 飛 舞, 心 深 處, 朝 思 暮
 麵 之 酵, 悄 然 膨 升, 盛 宴 上, 醇 香 美



sire, so it is with the Spir - it of God.
 feast, so it is with the Spir - it of God.
 想, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。
 酒, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。

**Benediction*

Postlude

L'Chaim (To Lilfe)

Lawrence Bauer, Jr.

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Towson Presbyterian Church is an inclusive community of faith,
growing as disciples of Christ

TPC is a PC(USA) *Earth Care Congregation*,
and a member of the *Covenant Network* (striving for a fully inclusive church).

New Here? Welcome—*just as you are.*

We're so glad you're here! We hope you find meaning in our worship and connection within our community of faith. TPC offers two worship opportunities on Sundays: 10:00am in-person and 10:00am live-stream via Facebook, YouTube, and towsonpres.org.

While children are whole-heartedly welcome at all TPC's worship services, our professionally staffed nursery is available for children 0–4 (see a deacon with a red nametag for directions).

We'd cherish the chance to connect with you. If you feel led, please fill out a visitor form at towsonpres.org/contact, so we can get to know you! We appreciate your presence here today, and we hope you are blessed by your time worshiping with us.

Prayer List:

Bob Adams, Laura Adams Wentling, Walter Cesewski, Jim Flick, Aldean Howard, John Lewis, Julie Mertus, Julie Morris, Peter, Phillip Pugh, Patty Rath, Janice Searles, Calvin Symons, Mary Tabeling, Ashley Tamayo, Wendy and Barbara Taylor, Sue Thompson, Mitzie Tyrie.

TPC News, Mission, and Ministry Updates

Assisting in Worship || Rob Culp, Steve Swift, Matt Hemm, Jill Thomas, Karen Drake, Karen Morris, Carol Whiteford, Dianne Thompson.

Third Graders Receiving Bibles || Today, we are blessed to give those in the third grade their own Bibles: *Elijah Britt, Brady Gisewite, Owen Joffe, Joseph Truss, Adelyn Walbert, Isla Walbert.*

Congregational Meeting || Today, 11:00–11:20am || A brief meeting will take place immediately following the service today. We'll receive the report of the 2024 Congregational Nominating Committee and elect officers to serve on our Session and Board of Deacons.

Pentecost Potluck || Today, 11:20am–1:00pm || Please join us in Thompson Hall today for a festive luncheon after the Congregational Meeting. All are welcome!

Youth Group || Tonight, 5:30–7:30pm || Youth Group will meet for the last time this evening for dinner and fellowship before breaking for summer.

Graduating Seniors || Submit Names by Friday, May 31 || We want to celebrate your high school and college graduates! Please email information about your graduating senior to tpc@towsonpres.org so we can highlight their accomplishments.

Last Day of Church School || Sunday, June 2, 10:15–11:00am || Church School, where K–5th Graders gather to learn more about God each week during the service, will take a break for the summer as usual. Until it resumes in the fall, children are wholeheartedly welcome to remain in the Sanctuary with their families for worship.

Parents Night Out || Saturday, June 8, 7:00–9:00pm || Drop your children off at TPC for dinner and a movie while you enjoy getting to know others at Parents Night Out at the Tobian Home.

Strawberry Shortcake Sunday || Sunday, June 9, 11:20am–12:30pm || Enjoy strawberries, cake, and whipped cream during Coffee Hour in Thompson Hall. Hosted by the Deacons and Mary, Martha, and Me, we can fellowship around strawberry shortcakes and reminisce about the decades of Strawberry Festivals at TPC.

Planned Giving with Tim Lotz || Sunday, July 14, 11:20am–12:30pm || Mark your calendars and join Tim Lotz of the Stewardship Committee to learn more about leaving a legacy through planned giving.

Summer Camp and Youth Trips || Online registration is open for all three summer offerings for children and youth:

- Massanetta Springs || June 20–23 || 5th–8th Grade
- Montreat Youth Conference || July 7–13 || 8th–12th Grade
- Camp BeeTree || July 15–19 || K–12th Grade

TPC This Week

Sun 5/19:	10:00am 10:15am 11:00am 11:20am 12:00pm 5:30pm	Worship (Sanctuary and Livestream) Church School (Children’s Classrooms) Congregational Mtg. (Sanctuary and Zoom) Pentecost Potluck (Thompson Hall) Sunday Community Lunch (Thompson Hall) Youth Group (Youth Room)
Mon 5/20:	10:00am	Daniel Bible Study (Zoom)
Tue 5/21:	10:30am 1:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Staff Mtg. (Library) Prayer Shawl Mtg. (Nook) Screwtape Letters Book Study (Zoom) CYFM Mtg. (Zoom) Mission and Outreach Mtg. (Zoom)
Wed 5/22:	7:00pm	Session Mtg. (Zoom)
Thu 5/23:	7:30pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)