



**First Presbyterian Church  
May 24, 2026**

**Mission Statement**

As an inclusive community empowered by God's transforming love, we welcome all people through worship, compassionate service, care, and advocacy.

# ***Day of Pentecost***

9:30 am

May 24, 2026

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## **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

Congregational readings are in **bold** type.

+ indicates all are invited to stand.

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting the Christ Candle

Passing of the Peace

The Peace of the Risen Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Prelude

“Spirit of God”

Lani Smith

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+ Call to Worship

*Felipe Martinez*

The Day of Pentecost was full of surprises! A great wind filled the space.

Let’s all wave our streamers in the air; look around – what a sight!

Jesus’ friends and family suddenly started speaking other languages, and everyone understood everyone else.

Let us greet one another in languages from around the world

Please repeat after me.

Hello!

Hola!

Jambo!

Annyeong!

Guten tag!

God's Holy Spirit greets us in every language.

Let us worship God!

+Hymn 280

“Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us”

EBENEZER

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Prayer of Confession

Together, let us call on the name of the Lord, who forgives our sin.

**Loving God, Sometimes we don't want to listen to people who seem different from us.**

**Sometimes we don't even try to understand other people.**

**Forgive us. Send your Spirit to help us understand.**

**Send your Spirit today. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

In Christ, we are forgiven. Jesus said to his friends, “Peace be with you.”

If you are ready to live in that peace, wave your streamer in the air!

Response Hymn 288

“Spirit of the Living God”

LIVING GOD

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## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

First Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Second Scripture Reading Psalm 104:24-34,35b  
*Contemporary English Version*

Our Lord, by your wisdom you made so many things;

**the whole earth is covered with your living creatures.**

But what about the ocean so big and wide?

**It is alive with creatures, large and small.**

And there are the ships, as well as Leviathan,  
the monster you created to splash in the sea.

**All of these depend on you to provide them with food,  
and you feed each one with your own hand, until they are  
full.**

But when you turn away, they are terrified;  
when you end their life, they die and rot.

**You created all of them by your Spirit,  
and you give new life to the earth.**

Our Lord, we pray that your glory will last forever  
and that you will be pleased with what you have done.

You look at the earth, and it trembles.

You touch the mountains, and smoke goes up.

**As long as I live, I will sing and praise you, the Lord God.  
I hope my thoughts will please you,  
because you are the one who makes me glad.**

Destroy all wicked sinners from the earth once and for all.

**With all my heart I praise you, Lord!  
I praise you!**

Third Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-21

Time with Children

*Jen Riddle*

*(Children under 5 may go to the nursery. Children K-6th are to stay in the Sanctuary.)*

Sermon

“Like the Wideness of the Sea”

Rev. Trisha Tull

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

+Hymn 292

“As the Wind Song”

WAIKUA TAPU

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Offertory

“Élévation”

Camille Saint-Saëns

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+ Doxology 609

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all creatures high and low, Alleluia, Alleluia!***

***Praise God in Jesus fully known:***

***Creator, Word, and Spirit one.***

***Alleluia! (5x)***

+ Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer (pg. 35 in Hymnal)

(You may to start the prayer with “Our Father”, “Mother”, “Creator”, “Holy One” as the Spirit leads you.)

**GOING IN GOD’S NAME**

+ Hymn 66

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

PENTECOST

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude

“Prelude in C”

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome** to worship! We are glad you are here and we are worshipping together. Please ask ushers for information about our nursery, large-print bulletins, hearing-aid assists, or current newsletters. Please sign the *Friendship Registration* pads and share your contact information, especially if you are worshipping here for the first time.

We strive toward the use of **inclusive language** in our church as it pertains to people and to God.

**Restrooms** are located in the Loggia/Franklin St. glass door entrance, Laws Room across from the kitchen (all-gender, handicap-accessible restroom), and the balcony of the Laws Room. **Wheelchairs** are available, please ask an usher if you need one.

We live stream our services. If you prefer not to appear in the streaming, please sit in the back six pews. Time with Children on the steps will not be streamed with video to protect the identity of the children.

**THANK YOU** to Rev. Trisha Tull for preaching today!

Share your  
questions  
about God  
(for June 7 sermon)



### Christmas 2026 Plans

Thinking ahead, December 25th is on a Friday this year, and we will be providing the community hot meal. Would you like to be involved in making this a special event, either by contributing funds or supplies, or volunteering on the day? Please complete the survey on the link below and let us know how you would like to help. <http://bit.ly/4tp9yFp>

## **We are planning Patio Parties PLUS for this summer.**

What are patio parties? They are a way for people in our congregation along with friends and neighbors to gather for fellowship and fun. It can be a pitch-in meal, an ice cream social, a gathering at a local restaurant or bar, or gathering for snacks. They might be held on your patio, but that is not a requirement.

What is the PLUS part? This can be any social event or activity; a pool party, a bike ride, a hike, a game night, a book discussion, the possibilities are endless.

Last summer we had eleven different events including pitch-in patio parties, a trivia night, lunch and music, an open house and pitch-in at "the oldest surviving house in Indiana," family day at Camp PYOCA, and more.

What can you do to help make them a success this summer?

- 1) Consider hosting a patio party or other event.
- 2) Encourage someone else to host.
  - 2a) Ask someone to co-host an event with you.
  - 3) Attend one or more patio parties or events during the months of  
June, July and August.
  - 3a) Invite friends and neighbors to attend also.

If you are thinking of hosting, use this link

<https://bit.ly/4ndnvF7> or the QR code to complete the [PATIO PARTY PLUS HOST FORM](#) or contact Dale Nowlin. [denowlin@gmail.com](mailto:denowlin@gmail.com)



**The Pentecost Banner** is an abstract design filled with the images of several people gathering and waiting for the Holy Spirit, depicted as a white dove to descend.

## **Sunday's Schedule for Children and Youth**

Scan the QR code to learn more about children and worship.



### **Pre-K and Younger:**

***Parents: Each child needs a registration form for the 2025-2026 school year. Please accompany your child to the Nursery and fill out a form before leaving them in our care. When picking up your children, please be sure to sign them out. Thank you!***

9:15-10:30am The Nursery is open all morning for our youngest in the family. Parents are welcome to drop off kids beginning at 9:15am, or keep them with you during worship, where we welcome the presence and sounds of children.

10:30-10:45am Joyful Noise in the Nursery.

10:45am Childcare continues in the Gym. Please sign children out before leaving.

### **Children (Kindergarten-6th Grade):**

***Parents: Each child needs a registration form for the 2025-2026 school year. Forms are available from volunteers as you sign your child out, in the gym, on the bulletin board between the kitchen and church office, and on the church website. Thank you!***

9:30-10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary with family and friends. Build Your Own Worship Bag with activities and toys are located by the Franklin Street entrances to the sanctuary.

### **Youth (Grades 7-12):**

9:30-10:30am Worship in the Sanctuary with family and friends

## Intergenerational Worship this week!

Kiddos pre-K and younger are welcome in the nursery. For older kids, we have a wide variety of items available at our worship bag centers at the Franklin Street entrances.



**May** *Kid's Church Schedule*

3	INTERGEN SERVICE Nursery only
10	REGULAR SERVICE All Kids Class
17	REGULAR SERVICE All Kids Class
24	MEMORIAL DAY Nursery only
31	INTERGEN SERVICE Nursery only



**SAVE THE DATE**

**JOIN US FOR ALL AGES!  
CAMP PYOCA DAY**

**PYOCA**  
CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER

AUGUST 15  
10AM - 5PM

Folks of **all ages** are invited to join us on **Saturday, August 15** for a day of fun at Camp Pyoca in Brownstown. The waterfront will be open for swimming, giant water slide, paddle boarding, kayaking, canoeing, paddle boats, kiddie boats, fishing, and plenty of sand for the little ones. Hiking, climbing wall, yard games, and more will be available on the

property for teens and adults! Adult games and fellowship as well as kid's games will be available in the air-conditioned lodge. Lunch is provided. **Registration will be due August 2**- watch for the link, and save the date now, before the hectic first weeks of school in August.

## First Presbyterian Church Bicentennial Legacy Fund

Our church's celebration of its first 200 years culminated in the creation of a Bicentennial Legacy Fund in 2024. This permanently endowed fund is held at Heritage Fund - the Community Foundation of Bartholomew County.



Through the many gifts and pledges received (and still coming in) the Fund enables Lincoln Central Neighborhood Family Center (LCNFC) to provide a helping hand to a number of our downtown neighbors. Over the first three years a \$100,000 matching grant from Heritage Fund as part of Lilly Endowment's *Giving Indiana Funds for Tomorrow* initiative is being used to awarding grants. This allows FPC's endowed fund to grow and get off to a strong start. The balance in the First Presbyterian Church Bicentennial Legacy Fund on 12/31/2025 was \$335,489.87.

LCNFC leaders Randy Allman and Diane Doup report that in 2025, 65 grants from this fund have provided a hand up in the following ways: Transportation - \$5,510; Housing - \$6,725; Basic needs - \$4,345; Employment - \$6,014; Education - \$3,850; Medical - \$2,500; and Other - \$900.

For more information and to read some of the ways this fund is positively impacting lives, please see the May newsletter article.

## Tornado Drill

We will be conducting a **tornado drill** this Spring. In the case of a real tornado warning, we would hear the city sirens as our cue to go to the basement. Instead, an announcement will be made through the PA system.

The rear half of the sanctuary, and anyone who needs to use a ramp, should exit through the back of the sanctuary, and down the ramps to the basement. The front half will exit through the front of the sanctuary, go down the stairs between the kitchen and the gym to the basement, and should shelter in the hallway under the office, to the left at the bottom of the stairs.

Head usher or delegate should go to the Nursery to see if assistance is needed to get all the children to safety. Greeters, Deacons, and Elders should assist anyone with mobility challenges to get safely downstairs, and up again.

No one should use the elevator. We are safest away from windows and outside walls.

If you have children in the Nursery or Kids Church, please let their leaders get them to the basement. This allows them to practice for a real emergency. Also, in a real emergency, it's vital to account for each child, but we can't stop on the way to safety to sign them out. After the drill, or real emergency, you can meet your kids in the gym to sign them out.

When everyone has gotten to the basement safely, we'll sound an all-clear, and you'll be dismissed and can return upstairs.

Check us out on the web at [www.fpccolumbus.org](http://www.fpccolumbus.org) Join our Facebook groups by going to “First Presbyterian Church Columbus Indiana” and “First Pres Columbus Prayer Page” (click on the button that says “Join group”).



You can now find us on Instagram at [first.pres.columbus.in](https://www.instagram.com/first.pres.columbus.in)

Church WiFi: FPC Guest, Password Guest123

Donate to FPC now  
<http://bit.ly/4083lQw>

**Ministers: The congregation of First Presbyterian Church**

**Staff:**

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**Jordan Lewis**, Organist, can be reached via email at [jordanl@fpccolumbus.org](mailto:jordanl@fpccolumbus.org). His extension is 225.

**Jenny Heichelbech**, Choir Director via email at [jennyh@fpccolumbus.org](mailto:jennyh@fpccolumbus.org). Her extension is 225.

**Brook Brown**, Church Administrative Assistant, will be in the office Monday and Wednesday thru Friday from 9 am until 5 pm. Tuesday, from 9 am until 3 pm. Phone extension is 221 and email is [brookb@fpccolumbus.org](mailto:brookb@fpccolumbus.org).

**Leigh Ann Figg**, Interim Financial Assistant, is usually here on Monday and Wednesday and can be contacted at [mburton@fpccolumbus.org](mailto:mburton@fpccolumbus.org). Her extension is 222.

**OFFICE HOURS** are typically Monday & Wednesday - Friday **9:00 am - 5 pm** and Tuesday **9:00 am - 3 pm, with the office closed from noon until 1 pm for lunch.**

Want to sign up for the eblast? Email Brook Brown at [brookb@fpccolumbus.org](mailto:brookb@fpccolumbus.org)!

Want to privately speak with someone about your pledge? Email our Treasurer at [promise@fpccolumbus.org](mailto:promise@fpccolumbus.org).

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