



## Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 28, 2023

Day of Pentecost

### Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Dr. Yvan Kelly

**\*Sharing the Peace of Christ**

**\*Opening Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #288 (2x)

“Spirit of the Living God”

**\*Call to Worship**

Worship Leader

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Sing to the Eternal One as long as you live.

**People: We will praise our God while we have any breath.**

**Gathering Prayer**

Jeannie Brecht

**Call to Confession**

Dr. Yvan Kelly

**Prayer of Confession**

Dr. Yvan Kelly

**People: God, the giver of life, your works are countless, your patience with humankind seem endless, your gifts of grace are amazing. We do not appreciate the wisdom of the genius of your creation without continued study and wonder. We take for granted too many of the creatures to which you have given life in our earth and sea and sky. We forget to give thanks and to bring praise to your name. We are jealous of the gifts you have given others and fail to use the particular gifts you have given us. Forgive the neglect of our gifts and of the opportunities to use them in the work of the church, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Leader: Please continue in silent confession....Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon**

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Leader: Friends, hear the good news! We were all brought into one body by baptism, in the one Spirit.

**People: Whatever our language and nationality, whatever our place in society, that one Spirit was poured out for all of us to drink.**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

### Word

**A Time for Children**

Dr. Yvan Kelly

(Children will go to Sunday School)

\*please stand

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 nation 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, "Men of Judea 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.'

Reader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Lesson

John 20:19-23

Dr. Yvan Kelly

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Reader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Message**

“Who Acts Like That?”

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**\*Middle Hymn**

“How Great Is Our God”

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles’ Creed

**I BELIEVE  
in God the Father, Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by  
the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again**

**from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God  
the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge  
the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic Church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Prayers and Offering**

**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.**

### **Giving Thanks to God with Our Gifts and Offerings**

**Offertory Song**

“The Commission”

**\*Doxology**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**People: God all glorious, there is nothing we can tell you that you do not know. There is nothing we can give you that you have not made possible. Though you have given us the freedom to be silent and to withhold our gifts, we offer our prayers and our gifts; in the name and spirit of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### **Sending**

**\*Closing Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #286

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

**Charge and Blessing**

Dr. Yvan Kelly

## Announcements

**Vacation Bible School June 21-23** - Come join us for VBS, June 21-23. Our theme is Keepers of the Kingdom: Standing Strong in Today's Battle For Truth. Registration forms for ages Pre-K (4 years old) through 5th grade are in the church narthex and in tomorrow's newsletter. The fee is \$10.00 and you must supply a solid color t-shirt. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Jean Brecht at 904.535.2185 if you have any questions. We will have a quick meeting after church today to discuss the start of VBS. Hope to see you there!

**Assistance Needed with Mowing Still Needed!** - Summer is here and Shawn Brecht still needs assistance with mowing the yard. If you can help at any time, doing any amount of cutting, please sign up on the sheet on the table in the narthex. If you have any questions, please call or text Shawn at 904.718.3128.

**Cleaning Supplies for Sulzbacher Residents** - The Presbyterian Women are collecting household cleaning items for The Sulzbacher Center residents who are transitioning to Sulzbacher Apartment living. Please sign up on the donation list in the narthex.

**OneBlood Blood Drive May 28** - Today, May 28, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., OneBlood will be in the parking lot with the Big Red bus for a blood drive.

**Pentecost Offering May 28** - Today we will accept the Pentecost offering. Your gift helps support ministries with children, youth, and young adults by building a life of faith. Churches retain 40% of the offering received for their youth programs. If donating to this cause, please use the special offering envelopes provided in the friendship pads.

**Potluck Sunday May 28** - Our monthly potluck luncheon for May will be held today after worship. All are invited to attend.

**Presbyterian Women's Potluck June 5** - The Presbyterian Women will gather together to compile all of the cleaning supplies donated for the Sulzbacher residents on Monday, June 5, at Game Night and Craft Extravaganza Potluck at Kathy Foresi's home at 6:30 p.m. Kathy's address is 3355 Highland Mill Lane, Orange Park, 32065. Her number is 904.707.5300.

**Baby Bottle Campaign** - First Coast Women's Services is holding its annual Baby Bottle Campaign to raise funds to meet the increasing needs of families facing unplanned pregnancies in our community. To support this need, take a baby bottle off the table in the narthex and fill it with coins, cash, and checks. The last date to return the bottle is June 18.

**Financial Giving** - You may place your offering in the offering plate, drop off a check at the office, put it in the mail, or use our online giving portal that can be accessed [here](#).

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