



Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, June 7, 2026

Communion Sunday and 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

***Opening Hymn**

“Goodbye Yesterday”

***Call to Worship**

Worship Leader

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord!

People: Praise the Lord with instruments and shouts of joy!

Leader: God loves justice and righteousness.

People: The earth is full of God’s love.

Leader: Let all of creation revel in awe of God, our creator.

All: God’s love endures forever. Amen!

A Time for Children

Dr. Yvan Kelly

(Children will go to Sunday School)

Gathering Prayer

Don Kent

Call to Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Prayer of Confession

Dr. Yvan Kelly

People: Holy God, we confess that at times we don’t want to follow the rules you set. We prefer our rules and social norms that we set, but we forget that in doing so, we hurt your beloved children by excluding them. We confess that we place our trust in our own ability, strength, and the works we produce, forgetting our total reliance on your grace. Forgive us, God, and free us to live in courageous faith, that we may abide in your righteousness.

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

Leader: Jesus said, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice."

People: We have been blessed with God's grace and mercy in abundance, through Jesus Christ.

Leader: Know that we are forgiven, and be at peace!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.

Word

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 12:1-9

Don Kent

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Romans 4:13-25

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For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") - in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations", according

to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it was reckoned to him”, were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message “Faith Beyond Perfection” Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Middle Hymn** Glory to God Hymnal #418
“Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling”

The Lord’s Supper

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.

The Lord’s Supper

Giving Thanks to God with Our Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Song

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

People: Holy God, we offer our gifts today, trusting in your promises to heal, reconcile, and bring justice and peace. May all that we offer be transformed into signs of your love and acts of your mercy. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Hymn** “Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)”

Charge and Blessing Dr. Yvan Kelly

Announcements

Flowers - The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Kathy Foresi and Paige Rhody in loving memory of Raymond C. Gryske, MGYSGT, USMC, Retired.

Christian Ed Team Needs Your Help - The Christian Ed Team needs your help with donations of gift cards from Winn-Dixie, Publix, and Walmart to buy food for snacks for VBS. They don't want to overbuy food given the uncertainty about how many children will attend. The Christian Ed team will use any unused gift cards to buy supplies for Blessing of the Backpacks. Gift cards are due by June 20. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex.

VBS Registration Forms Available Now - VBS registration forms are available from the church website under Ministries - Rainforest Falls VBS and on the table in the narthex. The dates for VBS are June 24, 25, and 26 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Space is limited, so get your registration form along with your \$10.00 fee turned in to the church office soon.

Bunko June 13 - The next Bunko night is scheduled for this Saturday, June 13, at 6:00 p.m. No experience is required, and it's fun for all ages. A \$10.00 donation is asked from each person and includes dessert.

Session Meeting June 14 - The Session will meet next Sunday, June 14, after worship.

Broken to Beautiful Support Group Meeting June 18 - The Broken to Beautiful Support Group will meet on Thursday, June 18, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

International Summer Academy Monies Due June 21 - Orange Park Presbyterian is organizing financing for a field trip to Camp Montgomery on July 16 for immigrant and refugee youth. \$50.00 sponsors one camper at Camp Montgomery for a day of fun and meals. If you would like to sponsor a child, please mark "International Summer Academy" on your offering envelope. Checks may be made payable to Kirkwood Presbyterian Church. Monies are due by **June 21** (new deadline).

First Coast Women's Services Baby Bottle Campaign Ends June 21 - Support the life-saving work of First Coast Women's Services by taking an empty bottle home and bringing it back full of coins, cash, and checks! Bottles are in the narthex and are due back on Father's Day, June 21. When you fill the baby bottles with coins, cash, and checks, FCWS is able to meet the needs of families in our community facing unplanned pregnancies. If you are writing a check, please make the check payable to **First Coast Women's Services**.

Sign-in and Financial Giving - To sign in, scan the QR code. You may also donate by scanning the QR code, placing your offering in the offering plate, dropping off a check at the office, mailing it, or using our online giving portal, which can be accessed [here](#).



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