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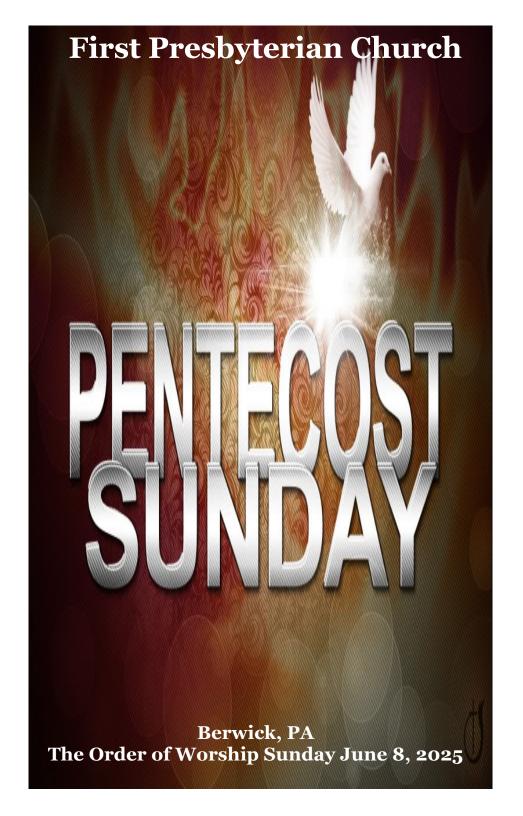
June 8 June 15 October 5 November 23 December 24

PRAYER LIST

Jerry and Jill Avery Wade Casaldi and family Rev. Sally Dries **Bob Feick Family** Wilhelmina Hoover Bill Houck and family Tom & Barb Huntington Charles William Karmazin Jr. The Kishbaugh Family Paul Moskaluk Kim Nespoli Alison Powlus Nancy Raber Lauren Sadock Jason Seltzer **Darlene Taney** Martha Yost

Worship Participants

Rev. Nancy Hardy, Guest Pastor Kevin White, Worship Assistant Nancy Dietterick, Greeter Jennifer White, Organist Leland Dietterick, Technical Director



Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Berwick! We are glad that you are worshipping with us today. If you are visiting for the first time today, we invite you to sign the guest book in the back of the sanctuary or scan the QR code to fill it out digitally. Throughout the service, the People make the responses in **bold** print.



PRELUDE On Eagle's Wings arr. by Douglas E. Wagner

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

Praise and glory to you, Spirit of God, our comfort and strength.

Let us sing praises to God as long as we live;

Praise and glory to you, Spirit of God, our comfort and strength.

May our worship be pleasing to God, ever Three and ever One.

Let us praise the LORD!

*HYMN #130 Let Every Christian Pray

¹ Let every Christian pray, This day and every day, Come, Holy Spirit, come! Was not the church we love Commissioned from above? Come, Holy Spirit, come!

² The Spirit brought to birth The church of Christ on earth To seek and save the lost: God never has withdrawn, Since that tremendous dawn, The gifts at Pentecost.

Announcements

WELCOME BACK AND THANK YOU!

This morning we welcome back Rev. Nancy Hardy to the pulpit. Welcome back Nancy and thank you for leading us in worship this morning!

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Don't forget, men's breakfast is held **EVERY Wednesday** at 7:30am downstairs in the kitchen. All men are welcome to attend, fill up on hot cooked grub, join in fellowship and do whatever it is that men do.

OFFICE CLOSED

The office will be closed **June 9th through June 13th** and will reopen Tuesday June 17th. Messages and email will be monitored and returned on the 17th.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

Calling all graduates and their families. We will be holding graduate recognition **Sunday June 29th during worship** with fellowship to follow in the lounge hosted by the Deacons. We hope you can all join us as we celebrate your accomplishments!

BIRTHDAYS

Ben White Steve Hiller Celebrate their birthday this week! Happy Birthday!

IN THE PULPIT

June 8 Rev. Nancy Hardy June 15 Rev. Steve Engelhardt June 22 Dr. John Polhill June 29 Tracy Fetzer

Refrain

³ You sang in a stable You cried from a hill Then You whispered in silence When the whole world was still And down in the city You called once again When You blew through Your people On the rush of the wind *Refrain*

4 You call from tomorrow You break ancient schemes From the bondage of sorrow The captives dream dreams Our women see visions Our men clear their eyes With bold new decisions Your people arise Refrain

*BENEDICTION

*MUSICAL BENEDICTION #535 Go with Us Lord Go with us, Lord, and guide the way Through this and every coming day, That in Your Spirit strong and true Our lives may be our gift to You.

*Will those who are able please stand

Portions of this service have been adapted from on-line resources of the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

³ Only the Spirit's power Can fit us for this hour: Come, Holy Spirit, come! Instruct, inspire, unite, And help us see Your light: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

GATHERING PRAYER

Holy God,

from our scattered lives, we gather to praise you, for you are great and wonderful; wise and compassionate. With joyful hearts, we celebrate the gifts and guidance of your Spirit.

At the dawn of creation, you sent your Spirit to bring life. Over the centuries, your Spirit equipped your people to proclaim your love and justice.

Through the flames of Pentecost,

your Spirit gave birth to the church with energy and wonder.

Today, your Spirit is at work in the world,

bringing renewal and hope here and everywhere.

Transform us by your Spirit

to become more faithful followers of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

The wind of the Spirit blows, but we shield ourselves against it. The fire of the Spirit burns, but we turn away from its warmth and light. Let us confess our sin together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,

you poured out your Spirit to guide your disciples, and empower your church with gifts for ministry. We confess we often resist the Spirit's guidance. The challenge to change makes us uncomfortable. We overlook the gifts others can offer and fail to live out Christ's love for the world.

Forgive us, O God. Send your Holy Spirit to us again to open our minds and hearts to the challenges in ministry you set before us in Jesus' name. Amen. (Moment for silent reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear and believe this promise of the good news: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old life has passed away and new life has begun. Know that in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! You are set free to live life anew in the power of the Spirit. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC Spirit Medley arr. by Mark Hayes

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17, 25-27

*GLORIA PATRI

SERMON Peace and Power

- *HYMN #316 Breathe on Me, Breath of God
- ¹ Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew, That I may love what Thou dost love, And do what Thou wouldst do.
- ² Breathe on me, Breath of God, Until my heart is pure, Until with Thee I will one will, To do and to endure.
- ³ Breathe on me, Breath of God, Till I am wholly Thine, Until this earthly part of me Glows with Thy fire divine.

- 4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall I never die, But live with Thee the perfect life Of Thine eternity.
- *AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed-Ecumenical

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN OF PARTING #319 Spirit

Refrain
Spirit Spirit of gentleness
Blow through the wilderness
Calling and free
Spirit Spirit of restlessness
Stir me from placidness
Wind wind on the sea

¹ You moved on the waters You called to the deep Then You coaxed up the mountains From the valleys of sleep And over the eons You called to each thing Awake from your slumbers And rise on your wings *Refrain*

² You swept through the desert You stung with the sand And You gifted your people With a law and a land And when they were blinded With their idols and lies, Then You spoke through Your prophets To open their eyes