

**The Day of Pentecost**

*Confirmation & Graduation Sunday*

Today we commemorate endings and beginnings. For our confirmands and for our graduates, one chapter in their lives is closing, while another is about to begin. As they face their futures, it is essential that they remember their past. We all must remember not just who we are, but whose we are as God’s children.

**June 9, 2019 8:30 & 10:45**

**WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME …**

\*Asterisk indicates to stand as able

**Gathering Music Hymnal 475 Come down, O Love divine** (seated) *Down Ampney*

**Greeting**

Leader: Let God grant us grace and bless us; let God’s face shine upon us, so that

 God’s way becomes known on earth, and God’s salvation among all the nations.

**People: Let the people thank you, O God! Let all the people thank you!**

 *Psalm 67:1-2*

**Announcements**

10:45 **Introit**  *Karle Erickson*

Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people;

 set them on fire with your love. Alleluia!

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**Call to Worship**

Leader: Call on the name of God,

**People: For God has called us by name.**

Leader: Lift your eyes and see,

**People: For Christ is in this place.**

Leader: Know that God is near,

**People: For the Spirit lives in each of us gathered here.**

 **… TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD …**

\***Hymnal 188 Christ is the world’s light** (standing)  *Christe sanctorum*

**Opening Prayer**

**Holy One, when Christ ascended into heaven to reign with you in power and glory, you sent the Spirit of truth to guide us into the way, the truth, and the life of Christ. Let your Spirit, our Advocate, guide us still— preserving us from judgment, protecting us from sin, and leading us into righteousness, so that we may testify to the good news: fullness of life and joy for all; through Jesus Christ our Savior and in the unity of the Holy Spirit.**

**Silent Prayer**

**Hymnal 393 Spirit of the living God**   *Living God*

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

 **Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

 **Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.**

 **Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

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 **TO CELEBRATE THE FAMILY OF FAITH …**

10:45 **Confirmation & Reception into Membership** page 33

 **Introduction to the Service** – Rev. Strandburg & Pastoral Assistant Scott Miller

 **Presentation of Candidates** – Marcy Picardi, Confirmation Coordinator

 Cameron Elyse Grabowski, daughter of Barbara and Gary Grabowski

Joshua Francis Kelly, son of Scott and Amy Kelly

Abigail Grace Nagle, daughter of John and Michele Nagle

Logan Richard Walters, son of Kevin and Melissa Walters

 **Renunciation of Sin & Profession of Faith**

**Congregational Promise of Support**

**The Apostles’ Creed** – Hymnal, page 35

 **Confirmation**

 **Sacrament of Baptism** - Krystal Josephine Urwin, Kataira Lee Rhodes,

Kaylx Margaret Seykoski, and Savvy Ann Seykoski

**Reception into Membership** – Confirmands, Scott McClintock, and Krystal Urwin

 **Commendation & Welcome**

**Congregational Response**

**The Sign of Peace**

 Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
 People: And also with you.

Gathering Song

 This, this is where children belong,

 welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.

 Water, God’s Word, bread and cup, prayer and song:

 This is where children belong. words and music: James Ritchie ©1999 Abingdon Press

**Message for Young Disciples**

All children are invited. Please sing as children come forward. After the children’s message at the 10:45 service, children ages 3 - 3rd grade may attend **Kids Praise** in the Welcome Center. Children will be escorted to and from Kids Praise by teachers. They will return to the Sanctuary near the end of the service.

**Recognition of Graduates**

 **High School**

Chloe Cope graduated from Fairview High School in Boulder, Colorado, on May 19.
Casey Cope graduated from Battle Mountain High School in Edwards, Colorado, on June 1.

(Grandchildren of Alan and Hazel Cope)

Abigail Hay will be graduating from Hawken Private School in Cleveland, Ohio on June 2. She will be majoring in Engineering and swimming at the University of Louisville.

Caleb Kelly – Baldwin Whitehall HS

Matt Lewis – Baldwin Whitehall HS; joined Marines, headed to boot camp in July

Catherine Joy Magill – Trinity Episcopal HS in Richmond, VA

(Grandchild of Joyce Magill)

 **College and Post – Graduate**

Autumn Waryjas Drabick – BSN, College – NYU, Rory Meyers College of Nursing

Cameron James Magill – West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

(Grandchild of Joyce Magill)

Anne Picardi – BA in Art Therapy, BA in Psychology, minor in Studio Art from Capital University

Joel Strandburg has received the Master of Science degree in Energy Engineering from the University of Massachusetts, Lowell. He plans to continue his research and studies there, in pursuit of his Ph.D.

**… TO HEAR GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED …**

Scripture Reading 8:30 Kathy Tremblay 10:45 Jane Casey

 **A Lesson from the New Testament**

 Romans 8:14-17 Sons and daughters of God

**Response**

 Leader: The Word of the Lord.

 **People: Thanks be to God**.

**Pastoral Prayer**

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

\***Pentecost Sequence and Gospel Acclamation** (standing) *Rob Glover*

**Alleluia.** (sing 4 times)

Scripture Reading

**A Lesson from the Gospel**

 John 14:8-17 The Spirit of Truth

**Response**

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God**.

**… TO OFFER OUR GIFTS AND TO DEDICATE OUR LIVES …**

10:45 **Offertory Anthem** *Philip Wilby*

 If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,

 and He shall give you another Comforter,

 that He may abide with you forever; e’en the Spirit of Truth.

 And ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

 I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you. *John 14: 15-18*

\***Hymnal** **94 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow** (standing) *Lasst uns erfreuen*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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**Prayer of Dedication**

**Sermon** “Remember Whose You Are” Rev. Thomas Q. Strandburg

**Affirmation of Faith** *Confirmation Class Creed*

(The Creed is printed on pages 2 and 3 of today’s announcements.)

 **… TO GO REJOICING IN GOD’S NAME!**

\***Hymnal 500 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart** (stanzas 1-4, standing) *Morecambe*

\***Benediction**

\***Hymnal 500 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart** (stanza 5, standing) *Morecambe*

**Today’s Services**

**The flowers in the Chancel** are given by Bob and Chris James in loving memory of her parents, Sam and Lucille Vance.

**The flowers on the altar** are given by Bernice Merchant in honor of her grandchildren: Lucas, Jackson, John, David, and Rebekah.

**The flowers in the narthex** are given by Mary Garber in a appreciation of all the hard work done by the rummage sale volunteers.

**Greeters 8:30** Bob and Beverly Festor **10:45** Frances Graham

**Special music for the 10:45 service** is provided by the Chancel Choir with soloist Kathleen Whittaker and conductor Ryan A. Keeling.

**Worship options for children** We encourage children to participate in the **Children’s Sermon** at both services, and in **Kids Praise** during the 10:45 service. **Nursery services** are offered in Room 204 of the Education Building. Ask ushers or greeters and follow signs for direction.

**Today’s Scriptures**

**Romans 8:14-17**

14For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” 16it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

17and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

**John 14:8-17**

8Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.”9Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? 10Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works.11Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves.

12Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

15”If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever.17This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

**Keep in Prayer**

**Convalescing in Care Facilities**

Bonnie Amos, Providence Point

Ed Clarke, Asbury Heights

Isabella (Langston) Field,

 St. Alphonsus Medical Center, Boise

John Katshir, Asbury Heights

Pat Seitz, Concordia

Olivia Woods, Baptist Manor

**Convalescing at Home**

Bishop George Bashore, Jean Boyer,

Mary Caldwell, John Dean,

Joseph Festor, Leon Grant, Jr., Dave Lewis

Susan Lichtenfels, George Lindow,

Sara Mercer, Carol Van Sickle,

Jinny Sheppard, Ruth Seip

**In the Military**

Jason Boyer, SPC Natalie Brown,

**Maj. Zachary Allen Finch, USMC,**James Iantelli, 1st Lt. Jaskiewicz,
S. Sgt. Keith Kimmell,

Sgt. Brendan Lamport,
Sgt. Matthew McConahan, Thomas Orda,
David Poncel, Sgt. Steven Reitz,
Capt. Scott B. Rushe, Pastor Rick Townes,
Maj. Azizi Wesmiller,

Maj. Matthew C. Wesmiller,
Sgt. Keith Scott Winkowski,

Sgt Michael Zimmerman

**Honor or remember a loved one with a flower donation.** The flowers that grace the sanctuary each week are generously donated by our church family members. This is a great way to honor or memorialize a special person, event, or milestone in your personal life or in the life of the church. If you are interested in donating flowers on a particular Sunday, contact Lizzie Diller , 412-860-3614. The cost is $33 for the altar, narthex, or columbarium arrangements, and $66 for the chancel flowers.

**Podcasts of Sunday Sermons**  Catch up on messages from MLUMC with a podcast of Pastor Tom’s and others’ Sunday sermons. Sermons can be found at http://mlumc.buzzsprout.com or navigate to the site from the link on our webpage, [www.mlumc.org](http://www.mlumc.org). Sermons also will be posted to iTunes. Full recordings of the service are available upon request.

**CALENDAR – SUNDAY, JUNE 9 THRU SATURDAY, JUNE 15**

**SUNDAY 6/9**

 8:30 am Worship Sanner Chapel

 9:30 am Faith for Today Asbury Center

 10:45 am Worship Sanctuary

 Kids Praise Welcome Center

 12 pm Confirmation/Graduate Reception Asbury Center

 4 pm Youth Group Tool Training Lowe Residence

**TUESDAY 6/11**

 10 am Weekday Ministries Chapel Sanner Chapel

 6 pm UMW Meeting Asbury Center

 7 pm Boy Scout Troop #23 Wesley Hall

 7 pm Boy Scout Brd. of Reviews Room 105

 7 pm Cub Scout Planning Room 102

**WEDNESDAY 6/12**

 5 pm Homebuilders Potuck Asbury Center

 6 pm Finance Picnic/Meeting Welcome Center

 7 pm Wolf, Tiger, Bear, Lion Webelos Scouts Various

**THURSDAY 6/13**

7 pm Education Committee Brookline Parlor

**FRIDAY 6/13**

 1:30 pm Memoirs Group Wesley Hall

 7 pm Arrow of Light Room 102

**SATURDAY 6/14**

10 am Food Pantry & Food Lift Free Market Wesley Hall