

Welcome to
John Calvin Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, May 28th, 2023 | Pentecost- Year A

Lectionary Readings: Acts 2:1-21 | 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 | John 7:37-39

Welcome- we are so glad you are here!

Gathering for God's Word

PRELUDE

Steve Dill

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY SHARING

Matt Miller

OPENING SONG

“God of Wonders”

Praise Team

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

Remember the promise of the Lord.

God will pour out the Spirit on all flesh.

The Spirit helps us in our weakness,

interceding with sighs too deep for words.

The Spirit of God renews the earth!

Bless the name of the Lord!

PRAISE SONG

“Spirit of the Living God”

Praise Team

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Liturgist

God our creator, earth has many languages,

but your gospel proclaims love

to all nations in one heavenly tongue.

Make us messengers of the good news

that, through the power of your Spirit,

all the world may unite in one song of praise;

through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

PRAISE SONG

“Sanctuary”

Praise Team

CALL TO CONFESSION

Liturgist

Jesus says: Let anyone who is thirsty come to me.
Out of the believer's heart
shall flow rivers of living water.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God,
you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples.
creating bold tongues, open ears,
and a new community of faith.
We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us.
We do not listen for your word of grace,
speak the good news of your love,
or live as a people made one in Christ.**

**Have mercy on us, O God.
Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit,
and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people,
doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

AFFIRMATION OF FORGIVENESS

Matt Miller

Through Christ, God has poured out
the Holy Spirit upon us
for the forgiveness of sins.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE

“Gloria Patri”

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and ev - er

shall be, world with-out end. A - men, A - men.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Matt Miller

Since God has forgiven us in Christ,
let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

VIGIL FOR THOSE FALLEN

HYMN

#572: “America the Beautiful” (v. 1, 3, and 4)

PRAYER FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Matt Miller

READING

Barb Hanson

“In Flanders Fields”

In Flanders Fields, the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

CHOIR ANTHEM

JCPC Adult Choir

“Blades of Grass and Pure White Stones”

Proclaiming God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Liturgist

God of power and of grace,
fill us with the wisdom of your word
and the understanding of your Spirit
so that we may be your church:
a people with dreams and visions
at work in all the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Liturgist

Acts 2:1-21 (NIV)

The Holy Spirit Comes at Pentecost

2 When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. **2** Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. **3** They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. **4** All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues^[a] as the Spirit enabled them.

5 Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. **6** When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. **7** Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?" **8** Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? **9** Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,^[b] **10** Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome **11** (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" **12** Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

13 Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

Peter Addresses the Crowd

14 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. **15** These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! **16** No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ “In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.
¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.
¹⁹ I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.
²⁰ The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.
²¹ And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.”^[c]

SCRIPTURE READING

Matt Miller

1 Corinthians 12:3b- 13 (NIV)

And no one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴ There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵ There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶ There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

⁷ Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸ To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues,^[a] and to still another the interpretation of tongues.^[b] ¹¹ All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

Unity and Diversity in the Body

¹² Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by^[c] one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

SERMON

Matt Miller

Responding to God's Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Matt Miller

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION FOR THE OFFERING

Matt Miller

God has told us what is good;
and what does the Lord require?
To do justice, love kindness,
and walk humbly with our God.

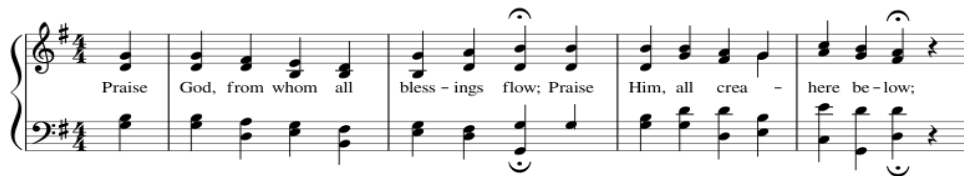
OFFERING

Offerings can be made near the sanctuary entrance prior to worship or at the communion table following worship.

PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING

Matt Miller

✠ DOXOLOGY



Sending



CLOSING SONG “Down to the River”

JCPC Praise Team



CHARGE

Matt Miller

Proclaim the good news,
be persistent in prayer,
do the work of the gospel,
and carry out the ministry
of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



BENEDICTION

Matt Miller

May the Lord bless you and keep you,
may the Lord make her face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you.
Let the Lord lift his countenance upon you,
and may God pour out the Living Spirit upon you,
and grant you peace.
Amen.

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JCPC Prayer List

JCPC Family

Cindy Lay
Kathy Doty
Elva Holder

Mary Smith
Bob Messersmith
Kelley Maerz

Kinquist Family
Heather Wolz
Donna Lindsey

Members in a Care Facility

Arlene Walters

Friends of Our JCPC Family

Junia Thompson and Family- Missionaries
in Indonesia

Denise Kinquist- S. Kinquist sister

Friend of Heather Wolz

Mark Kesner, K. Doty's cousin

Melanie Williams-Harvey, R. Kinquist
sister

Charles Barnes, S. Tyler's son-in-law

Amelia Sanchez, S. Tyler's great
granddaughter

Kelly Koch, H. Wolz' uncle

Marie Gross, C. Lay's stepmother

Lola- H. Wolz niece

Rob Hanson- Barb Hanson's son

Bea Albers- Lisa Schoonover's friend

John- Lisa Schoonover's brother

Chad Grellner- friend of Ken and Mary
Myers

Laura Barnum- niece of Charles and Susan
Barnum

Rick Kraft- Mark Miller friend

Jerry Hahn- V. Messersmith brother -in-law

Norma Milisitch- H. Heberer & S. Tyler
friend

Jeanie Rhodes- Audrey Hahn's daughter
friend

Steve- Van Buren friend

Jean- W. Myer's aunt

Greg Niehoff- H. Heberer brother-in-law

Emily McDonnell- Kara Myers' friend

Debbie Richie-Raymer- Cindy Lay friend

Jessica White- R. Kinquist friend

Joys and Thanksgiving

Upcoming Events



Pentecost Sunday | May 28th

Sunday, May 28th is Pentecost Sunday. This year's special PC(USA) Pentecost Offering will be divided in support of special youth projects and initiatives (see special insert). We hope you will faithfully consider how you can give to this year's special offering.



Bridgeton Fourth of July Parade Tuesday, July 4th

Believe it or not- its time to start preparing for the City of Bridgeton's upcoming Fourth of July parade! JCPC is planning on having a float and walking in the parade again this year, and we will need a variety of help in preperation. Additional information on how you can help is coming soon- but if you are interested in helping, please contact the church office.

Faith Formation

Lectionary *ON TAP!* Last Wednesday | 6-8 PM

Each month, on the last Wednesday, we gather at the Bridgeton Sports Café (3579 Pennridge Dr., Bridgeton, MO, 63044) for our Lectionary ON TAP evenings where we explore lectionary texts from the previous month, theological issues and questions, and enjoy fellowship with one another! If you are interestd in joining, please contact Matt Miller (mattmiller.ovd@outlook.com) We invite you to join us!

Women's Movie Discussion Group Sunday Mornings | 9 AM

Join our Sunday morning women's movie discussion group as they watch and discuss the film *Yentl* from April 16th to May 14th. Women are invited to arrive at 9 AM for a time of fellowship before we begin watching the film. We hope to see you soon!

Mission

Community Helping Ministry



CHM NEEDS:

Cereal

Pasta Sauce

Dried/Canned Beans

Financial contributions can be made via CHM mailbox in church office and food contributions can be made in the **welcome area**. Please do not leave donated food in warehouse area.

CHM April Service Report

TOTAL CONTACTS MADE WITH FAMILIES: 120

Families Receiving Assistance in Office:
40

INDIVIDUALS IN FAMILIES RECEIVING ASSISTANCE: 116

NEW FAMILIES REQUESTING ASSISTANCE: 11

TOTAL VALUE OF IN-KIND SERVICES: \$5144.00

Are you or your family in need of food or any other kind of assistance?

Please contact Liza Browning at
(314) 770-2216 or email
communityhelpingministry@yahoo.com.

Worship at Life Care Center

Our outreach committee is looking for volunteers who may be interested in helping lead worship at the Bridgeton Life Care center. We are currently planning to hold a service each month at their facility as a ministry to those who call the Life Care Center home. We are looking for a variety of help, and if you are interested, please reach out to Amy Brixey (bisskut27@gmail.com).

Community



GOLDTimers Picnic Potluck **Friday, June 9th | 11:30 AM**

Join our Goldtimers for a picnic potluck at Bob and Sandra Barclay's home on Friday, June 9th! All are welcome- if you are interested in attending, please sign-up and indicate what dish you will bring in the welcome area.

Sunday Morning Help Needed

We are looking for help with counting following Sunday morning worship and are looking for someone who can volunteer once or twice a month after worship. For additional details please contact Gil Elliott or the church office. Some computer experience requested.

Don't Miss Out on our Weekly Update email!

Don't miss out on receiving our weekly update email each Friday. This email provides important updates regarding life at JCPC and links to sign up for a variety of opportunities. To sign up to receive this email, visit JCPChurch.org.

JCPC June Pulpit Supply

Sunday, June 4th- Lisa Schoonover,
Commission Lay Pastor

Sunday, June 11th- TBA

Sunday, June 18th- TBA

Sunday, June 25th- Rev. Aline Russell

Please submit announcements and information for weekly bulletin and website to Matt Miller (jcpcovd@gmail.com) no later than by the Tuesday of the desired week.



PENTECOST

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

THE PENTECOST OFFERING HELPS OUR YOUTH BEGIN LIFE WITH A STRONG START—A SOLID FOUNDATION OF FAITH FORMED IN THE FIRST THIRD OF LIFE, FROM CHILDHOOD THROUGH YOUNG ADULTHOOD.

Each year on Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the church. The Holy Spirit remains with us still, connecting us with *the church of the past*, continuing to inspire *the church of today*, and pointing us to *the church of the future*. Each year, this celebration is marked by receiving the Pentecost Offering which nurtures the faith of those who are the church to come.

Pentecost arrives 50 days after Easter and 10 days after the Ascension — when Jesus ascends into heaven. Jesus and the Scriptures are making an important theological point at Pentecost. Jesus ascends and the church is born. If his mission and ministry is to continue, it is upon us, his disciples, to keep it going, and we have the Holy Spirit to lead us, who blesses us all with different gifts to be used at different times and in different ways. These gifts of the Spirit are bestowed upon us to be used for the “building up of the body of Christ” (Ephesians 4:12). Our gifts to the Pentecost Offering connect with God’s hope and future, supporting ministries with children, youth and young adults by building a life of faith.

QUICK FACTS

- Congregations keep 40% of raised funds to initiate or support programs for young people in their communities.
- The first Presbyterian Youth Triennium was held in 1980. Visit presbyterianyouthtriennium.org for more information and new online resources.
- The Day of Pentecost is referred to as the birthday of the Church.
- Pentecost is usually represented with the color red, which symbolizes the fire of the Holy Spirit.

Since the Pentecost Offering started in 1998, Presbyterians have raised more than \$16 million for ministries that benefit younger members of God’s family. We believe we are called to do even more — to support and care for young people as they build a strong foundation of faith.

Get Involved this week!

Wednesday

6 PM | Lectionary ON TAP @ Bridgeton Sport's Café

Thursday

6 PM | Adult Choir
7 PM | Property Committee

Saturday

9:30 AM | Presbyterian Women

Sunday

9 AM | Women's Movie Discussion Group
10:30 AM | Worship

June Birthdays

Jane Jackson 06/04

June Allen 06/06

Ellie Barnum 06/13

Derek Vogler 06/13

Aaron Wolz 06/16

Kellen Brixey 06/17

Christopher Hardy 06/18

Jo Ann Fitterling 06/22

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				6:15 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:45 pm Property Committee Meeting 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous		9:30 am Presbyterian Women Monthly Gathering
9:00 am Movie Discussion Group 10:30 am Sunday Morning Worship 11:45 am Board Game Sunday!	7:00 pm Boy Scouts of America Troop 766		11:00 am ROMEOS	6:15 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous		2:00 pm Aaron Wolz Solo Recital and Graduation Celebration
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Welcome to John Calvin Presbyterian Church

We are so glad you are here!

- ✦ Please feel free to stop by our welcome area and get a nametag if you do not already have one.
- ✦ Our worship and communion services are open to all. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to make your time with us more welcoming and comfortable.
- ✦ Please see any of our greeters or ushers if you have any accessibility needs/requests.
- ✦ **Restrooms** are located across the hall from the sanctuary entrance as well as in the fellowship area. Please see an usher if you need directions.
- ✦ Please feel free to join us for fellowship time following worship!

For more information on John Calvin Presbyterian Church, please visit JCPChurch.org!

Do you have a passion to serve?

We are always in need of members and volunteers to help serve in various ways at John Calvin Presbyterian Church! If you feel called to serve, please contact the church office, or see any of the worship stewards, and we will be happy to connect you with the appropriate team!

**“There is one body, but many parts. But all parts make up one body.
So it is with Christ.”**

-1 Corinthians 12:12-

Thank you for your consideration!