First Presbyterian Church

June 9, 2019
9:30 a.m.

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June 9, 2019                                      Day of Pentecost                                      9:30 a.m.

Prelude                                      We Now Implore the Holy Ghost                             Dietrich Buxtehude

Processional                             Meryt Ediger

Greetings

Leader:  This is the day that the Lord has made.
People:  Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*Call to Worship

Leader:  Come, O Holy Spirit, Come!
People:  Come like Holy Fire and burn with us.
Leader:  Come like Holy Wind and cleanse us.
People:  Come like Holy Light and lead us.
Leader:  Come like Holy Truth and teach us.
People:  Come like Holy Love and enfold us.
Leader:  Come like Holy Power and enable us.
People:  Come as Abundant Life and fill us,
Leader:  Convent us, Consecrate us, Until we are wholly yours.
All:     Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

— A Prayer of the Ancient Church

*Prayer of the Day

Holy, God, like a rushing wind your Spirit moved upon the first disciples on the
day of Pentecost, and like a purifying fire your Spirit seared their hearts and
minds with the message of salvation.  Send your spirit upon your church in this
time and place, stir up our courage, and rouse us for prophetic witness, that we
may join with them to proclaim to the world your mighty deeds of power in Jesus
Christ.  Amen.

*Hymn                                      The Church's One Foundation                             No. 442

Call to Confession
Welcome, Visitors!

We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting First Presbyterian Church this morning. We are glad you are here! \textbf{Large print bulletins and hymnals are available from an usher.} [Transistor hearing aids are also available for your use. Please ask any usher for one and feel free to sit wherever you wish in the Sanctuary while using one. All persons are encouraged to sign the Ritual of Friendship Pads as they are passed to you in the pews. Please include your address, email address, and telephone number. \textbf{Please remember to turn off your cell phone before worship this morning.}]

\textbf{Children’s Information}—Children are welcome in worship. We do not mind a little fidgeting and fussing in the pew. We offer children’s worship bags with various quiet activities in cloth bags located just outside the Sanctuary doors. But if you feel that your child is having a difficult time sitting through church, you are welcome to worship in \textit{The Well}. Remember, quiet play in \textit{The Well} is appropriate so as not to disturb others who are trying to worship. Also, the McComb room is available as a Cry room. And, finally, we encourage you to consider the Nursery, which is located in the South end of the Case Building, where we have trained Staff to look after and engage your child from Birth to Kindergarten. If we need to contact you during worship, just give us your cell number and we will text you. You and your child’s (spiritual, emotional, and social) needs are important to us. (Liz Norris—Director of Children’s Ministry) \textbf{A quick reminder:} Under the Child Protection Policy \textit{children are not allowed to leave the Sanctuary or The Well without an adult escort}. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

\textbf{Sympathy}—Please keep Elfie Alexander, wife of Harry Alexander, and David Alexander, brother of Harry Alexander, in your prayers as they grieve their recent loss of Harry Alexander.

\textbf{Flowers}—The flowers for our services this morning are given to the glory of God and given to the glory of God and in honor and recognition of the work and dedicated service of Judy Michel by First Presbyterian Church.

\textbf{Praying for the Church Family}—As a congregation we weekly focus our personal and corporate prayers upon a selection of church members and friends. Let us remember in prayer this week the following: Scott & Sarah Lyon, John Doll, Betty Jo Dotzour, Eleanor Hall, Don & Sara Hutchison and Phil & Judy Michel.

\textbf{If you need a Stephen Minister,} or would like more information about the Stephen Ministry, please contact Dr. Brent Johnston at 263-0248 or Louise Farmer at lfarmer4164@gmail.com.
Today we celebrate Pentecost with a special offering that helps the younger members of our faith community. Psalm 71:17 says, "God, from my youth you have taught me." Each of us can remember a significant adult, vacation Bible School, or summer camp experience that helped us build a life of faith.

By giving to the Pentecost Offering we are nurturing the faith of those who are the church to come: children, youth, and young adults. Our congregation keeps 40% of the offering, 25% goes to the Young Adult Volunteer program, 25% goes to "Guiding Youth" for ages 12-18, and 10% supports the "Educate a Child, Transform the World" a national initiative. Red is the color of Pentecost to symbolize the fire of the Holy Spirit. **Use the little red envelopes included in the bulletin insert.**

**2019 International Refugee Day Celebration. Join the party!**

The Immigrant Support Services Network is planning a celebration on Saturday, June 15 from noon to 4:00 p.m. at the Hilltop Community Center, 1329 S. Terrace, Wichita, to celebrate the 2019 International Refugee Day.

Bring your family and friends and join in the fun and fellowship: potluck ethnic foods (bring a covered dish), music and dance performances by artists from all parts of the world, an international fashion show and immigrant stories, display tables, games for all ages. Our new neighbors are anxious to share their food and traditions and make new American friends. They need our encouragement and hospitality!

**Challenge from Mission for Crisis in Nigeria, South Sudan, Somalia & Yemen**

PCUSA churches across the world received a letter dated April 29, 2019, asking them to respond to what the United Nations is calling “the largest humanitarian crisis since the creation of the UN more than 70 years ago.” More than 20 million people urgently need food aid for their survival in Northeast Nigeria, South Sudan, Somalia and Yemen. It is the first-time famine has been declared in four nations at the same time.

The FPC Mission Commission has pledged $1,000 for this crisis and we are challenging the congregation to match or even beat this amount. If each family of our congregation gives the equivalent of the cost of one meal a week during the four weeks in June, we could exceed the goal. Make your checks out to FPC and write Presby Hunger Program in the memo line. Your prayers and financial support in response to this alert from the United Nations are urgently needed! For men, women and children all over the world who are in deep and dire need, you can provide help and hope, even in the midst of despair. If we each do a little, it adds up to a lot. Remember what Jesus did with the loaves and the fish.
**Worship Leaders**

- Liturgist: Brent O. Johnston
- Associate Pastor: Judy Michel
- Director of Music: Steve Bixler
- Organist: Mark Sweeney

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**News & Upcoming Activities**

**Appreciation Reception for Judy Michel Today**

Please join us today after church in *The Well* for an Appreciation Reception for Judy Michel. This will be her last preaching Sunday as our Parish Associate. There will be a basket for cards and your well wishes. Judy is retiring and her last Sunday on staff will be June 23. Judy has been a member at 1st Presbyterian for 34 years and she plans to remain active as a church member after her retirement. So please join us as we share our appreciation for her service to us in this unique capacity!

**It’s Not Too Late to Sign Up for Games Camp**

June 11 through June 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Whispering Winds.

We hope to have another lock-in on the Thursday of Games Camp. If you are riding with us from FPC be here at 9 a.m. If you are dropping off your child at the camp please drop off your children at 9:30 a.m. and pick them up at 3:30 p.m. Those riding with us from FPC will return to the church at 4:00 p.m. Please send a sack lunch, hats, tennis shoes, swim suit and towel. If you have any questions please contact Liz Norris.

**FPC Playgroup Coordinator Wanted**

Starting this summer, First Church will have a program for parents or caregivers with young children (0-5 years old). This playgroup is designed to meet once a month and allow great enrichment opportunities, socialization, and involvement in the life of the church for both children and adults. We are looking for a Playgroup Coordinator to facilitate the development, organization, and engagement of parents and their young children (ages 0-5) in a monthly, playgroup program. The position will receive a small stipend. Contact Michelle Murray-Cline (794-1195) or Church Office for more information.

**Next “Be Well” Seminar on June 29**

The next "Be Well" Seminar is scheduled for Saturday, June 29, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in *The Well*. This free program is lead by Rev. Dave Fulton and is open to FPC members, their family and friends. Lunch and materials are provided. For deep spiritual wellness—be well in body, mind and relationships. The seminar is limited to 20 people so make your reservation now with Joan Aldrich, aldrich@firstchurchwichita.org or Mary Knecht, knechtmary@hotmail.com.
### Calendar

#### Sunday, June 9
- **Pentecost**
  - 9:00 Coffee Fellowship *(The Well)*
  - 9:30 Youth C.R.E.W. (Sanctuary/The Well)
  - 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary)
  - 10:30 Thank You Celebration for Judy Michel *(The Well)*
  - 10:45 Refugee Worship *(C201 & C204)*
  - 2:00 Summer Splash (Camp)

#### Sunday, June 16
- **Prayers of the People**
  - 9:00 Blood Pressure Check *(The Well)*
  - 9:00 Coffee Fellowship *(The Well)*
  - 9:30 Youth C.R.E.W. (Sanctuary/The Well)
  - 9:30 Worship (Sanctuary)
  - 10:45 Refugee Worship *(C201 & C204)*
  - 2:00 Summer Splash (Camp)

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**Prayer of Confession**

Spirit of God, you come to us as a powerful wind - but we have shut the door and bolted it, to try to keep you out. You descend on us as tongues of fire - but we run away, afraid of being consumed. You give us gifts beyond our ability - but we squander them or hide them. We say, "Not today," or "How can one person make a difference?" or "No, Lord, not me." On this day of Pentecost, forgive our weakness. Break open the doors of resistance. Let the fire of your Spirit dance within each of us. And give us courage and faith to claim your call for our lives. Amen.

Silence

**Choral Response**

**Assurance of Pardon**

*Song of Thanksgiving*  
**Gloria Patri**  
No. 579

*The Peace*  
Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

**First Reading**  
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

**Anthem**  
*Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us*  
arr. Hal Hopson

Text can be found in Hymn #129  
(Please join us in singing verse 3)

**Second Reading**  
Acts 2:1-21

**Leader: The Word of the Lord.**

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**  
"Pentecost—Not a Hallmark Holiday"  
Pastor Judy Michel

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer  
Call to Stewardship