



St. Andrew's
Presbyterian Church

Pentecost Sunday
May 24, 2026
10:00am, Sanctuary

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<http://www.facebook.com/standrewspdx/live>

ALL are welcome here. Worship is a series of invitations; accept only those you feel called to accept. Feel free to change language in a respectful manner if it helps the hour to be more worshipful for you.

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*Based on Psalm 118:24;
Philippians 4:4*

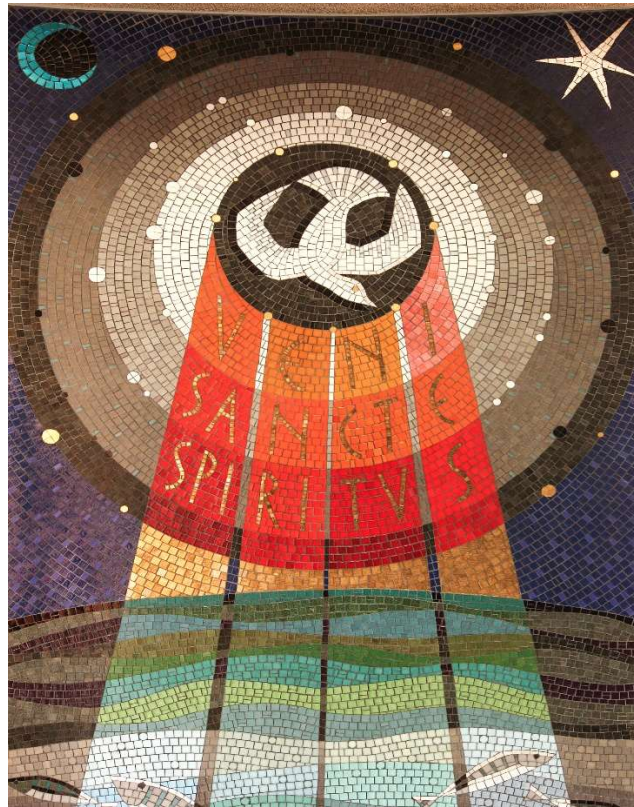
GATHERING

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

Time to Center



***Call to Worship**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

This is the day when the Spirit came.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

And again I say—

Rejoice!

Opening Hymn | *Every Time I Feel the Spirit
Glory to God #66

Call to Confession

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world
and knows our every word and deed.
Let us then open ourselves to the Lord
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Prayer of Confession

*Generous God,
you send us the Spirit of courage,
but we have been afraid.
You send us the Spirit of truth,
but we cling to our illusions.
You send us the Spirit of healing,
but we cannot let go of our hurts.*

*Holy Spirit of forgiveness, come to us again:
shake our hearts,
set our souls on fire with your love:
send us out into the world
rejoicing in your power.*

*We hold out to you
all our particular burdens of guilt and sin,
and we ask for your help
to live the way of your justice and love. Amen.*

Silent Prayers of Confession

...In Jesus' name.
Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

"I will take you out of the nations;
I will gather you from all the countries.
I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean.
I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you;
I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you
a heart of flesh.

Based on Ezekiel 36:24-2

Acts 2:11	<p>And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees. You will be my people, and I will be your God.”</p> <p>Friends in Christ: by the power of the Spirit, we are united with Christ and given a new spirit. Live in the joy and peace of that assurance.</p> <p>*Response of Praise <i>Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me</i> (vv. 1 & 2) <i>Glory to God #582</i></p> <p>*Passing the Peace ... The Peace of Christ be with you all. <i>And also with you.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">THE WORD</p> <p>Prayer of Preparation <i>Almighty God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, speak to us in the language of our hearts, that we may hear your Word with understanding and answer your call with confidence. Amen.</i></p> <p>A Reading from the Book of Philippians <i>Philippians 4:4-7</i></p> <p>Conversation with the Younger Church</p> <p>A Reading from the Book of Acts <i>Acts 2:1-21</i></p> <p>Sermon <i>Amy Delaney</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">RESPONSE TO THE WORD</p> <p>*Hymn <i>Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness</i> <i>Glory to God #291</i></p>
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We respond to our generous God by practicing grateful generosity. You are encouraged to give as you are able, to honor or even exceed your pledge!

Psalm 104:28

Worshipping God with our Tithes and Offerings Invitation to Generosity

Offertory Anthem | Come, Now, Spirit of God
by Tina English & Joseph M. Martin

***Song of Praise | O God, You Are My God**
Glory to God #743

***Prayer of Dedication**

Almighty God,
we have opened our hands to you,
and our hands have been filled with good things.
*Receive the gifts we bring in gratitude for your care for us,
and help us to bless you with dedication of our lives;
through Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.*

Prayers of the People and the Prayer that Jesus Taught

SENDING

Our Ministry in Christ
Announcements

Charge and Benediction

***Sung Response | Go with Us, Lord**

Glory to God #748

Postlude

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Welcome to St. Andrew's PDX!
Welcome Home! We are so glad you are here.

Connecting with Christ and each other to Serve Our Neighbors

Join us for worship every Sunday at 10:00am,
both in person and online via Zoom and Facebook.

Join us for Supper Church on second and fourth Sundays at 5pm.

Visit our website for the worship links and the weekly worship bulletin.

Please use blue prayer cards or Zoom chat to share prayer requests. You can pass these to the pastor during the passing of the peace or give them to an usher at any time in the first half of the service.

PRINTED COPIES OF TODAY'S SERMON ARE AVAILABLE



We encourage you to leave your **offerings and sign-in sheets** in the offering plates that are passed during worship. Offerings can also be made anytime on our website, www.standrewspdx.com



Today's worship leadership includes the Rev. Amy Delaney, Bridge Pastor;
Don Feeley, Director of Music; Lois Haley, worship assistant; Connie Blumthal, song leader;
Caroline Sanderson-Doughty, AV tech assistant; and Steve Planck, sound technician.



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Mission Updates

*See your eNews, Upcoming Events in this bulletin,
or contact the office for full details.*

Neighborhood House - Current legislation and drastic cuts to food assistance and Head Start programs will undoubtedly create more hardship to this organization and the people it serves. You can help by: donating to their social safety net services; contacting your legislators to support SNAP, Head Start, and housing assistance programs; and talking to others to increase awareness of this crisis to our most vulnerable neighbors. Visit their website for more ways to help -- www.nhpdx.org.

Ziploc Ministry - Join us on the first Saturday of each month to fill bags with hygiene and personal items to be distributed to our unhoused neighbors. The next gathering will be June 6th, 10:30am-12:00pm. ****New socks and men's boxer-briefs donations always needed****

West Women & Children's Shelter - We prepare and deliver monthly, homemade casseroles and other food items to this domestic violence shelter. Recipes and instructions are provided. Casseroles are dropped off at the first Saturday Ziploc event (June 6th).

Quilters - Gathers on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, at 9:30am. Contact Gail Planck for more info.

Homelessness Outreach - We support the Multnomah Safe Rest Village and the Southwest Outreach shower program. See your eNews for volunteer opportunities.

We give thanks for the gift of life and love as we celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries of our church family this month, praying for God's continued grace and joy in every new year ahead.

May Birthdays

Bev Ruggles - May 1
Marilyn Palumbo - May 5
Katelan Gerhardt - May 11
Amy Houchen - May 11
Dwain Peterson - May 13
Marianne Parshley - May 17
Susan Peterson - May 17
Michael House - May 18
Todd Gerhardt - May 24
Mary Silver - May 25
Don DeFrancq - May 29
Nina Schiefelbein - May 30
Diane Kleve - May 31

May Anniversaries

Randy & Roberta Schlechter - May 30
Ray & Paddy Blair - May 31

Learning & Fellowship Opportunities

- **Sunday Coffee Hour** - Volunteers are needed for Sundays. Contact Marie Dolson or Gail Planck for more info.
- **Supper Church** - Join us for food and fellowship, as well as fun for the kiddos! We meet in the lounge/chapel for an all-ages, family-focused service (with meal provided) and children in attendance hear a Bible story and then take part in a craft that mirrors the lesson. Guests are always welcome! Our next gathering will take place after service on **June 14th**.
- **Sanctuary Choir** - Rehearsal takes place after service each week in the chapel. If you'd like to join, we encourage you to stop by. Contact Don Feely for more info.
- **Men's Bible Study** - This group meets at 7am via Zoom on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Contact Larry Kelley for more info.
- **Spiritual Formation Group** - Please join us from 12:30-2:00pm in the lounge for our next class on Wednesday, June 3rd. This is a drop-in group; no need to have read the book!

Upcoming Events

<p>May 24 & 31 10:00am Hybrid Worship</p> <p>May 24 11:00am Sanctuary Choir St. Andrew's</p> <p>May 24 2:00pm Memorial Service for Carol Pebworth St. Andrew's</p> <p>May 25 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY</p> <p>May 27 9:30-11:30am Quilters Group St. Andrew's</p>	<p>June 3 12:30-2:00pm Spiritual Formation Group St. Andrew's</p> <p>June 7 11:00am Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting St. Andrew's</p> <p>June 7 2:00pm Memorial Service for Steve Griffith Lincoln High School</p> <p>June 14 11:00am Supper Church St. Andrew's</p> <p><i>*Please note the new date/time!</i></p>
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New News & Announcements
See your eNews for full details

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR CAROL PEBWORTH

Today at 2pm, family and friends of Carol Pebworth will gather in the sanctuary to celebrate her life and honor her memory. We hope you will join us and share some of your favorite memories with Carol's family.

DO YOU HAVE A HEART FOR MISSION?

Though many of us are busy planning summer getaways (or perhaps a staycation that involves getting lots of items checked off on the To Do List), our Neighborhood Ministries and Mission teams are working to ensure that our unhoused neighbors and those in need in our community aren't forgotten in the midst of summer festivities. If you would like to know more about the work that SWITCH, Laundry Love, and other mission-centered teams are doing, we would love to have you come aboard. Please contact Marilyn Palumbo for more information.

SEMI-ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Please plan to stay after service on Sunday, June 7 for our semi-annual congregational meeting at which time we will elect officers.

UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE

Our church family lost some wonderful individuals in the last few weeks and months and our hearts feel a mix of emotions as we remember so much good that each of these individuals shared with so many. Please mark your calendars for these events and plan to attend and honor their memories, as we keep their families in our prayers:

- **Steve Griffith's memorial service will be taking place at 2pm on Sunday, June 7 at Lincoln High School.**
- **Gwen Wildfong's memorial service will be held here at St. A's at 11am on Saturday, August 1. A luncheon will be held after the service at the Jewish Community Center.**
- **Sue Malter's memorial service will be held at St. Andrew's. Date and time to be announced.**

Thoughts from Pastor Amy (Written May 21st)

Dear friends in Christ,

This past Sunday we focused on giving thanks to God and to one another. This Sunday we will also give thanks - first in our morning worship for the gift of the Holy Spirit given at Pentecost. And then in the afternoon we will give thanks for the life of Carol Pebworth at her memorial service.

This juxtaposition between the good news of the birth of the church, and the thanksgiving of a life well-lived may at first seem discordant. However, as faithful Christians, we believe not only in the good news of Jesus' resurrection, but also in the hope of our own eternal life in Christ. That hope is described well by the Apostle Paul in Romans 8:38-39:

38 I'm convinced that nothing can separate us from God's love in Christ Jesus our Lord: not death or life, not angels or rulers, not present things or future things, not powers 39 or height or depth, or any other thing that is created.

God's love continues throughout our life and beyond. We are connected to one another - and to all the saints of the church who have gone before us.

I'm also reminded of the vow all ordained officers of the church affirm at our ordinations and installations, to be "instructed and led" by the historic creeds, confessions, and catechisms of the church, as found in our Book of Confessions as we "lead the people of God." A favorite Question from the Book of Confessions that many of us were instructed as youth to memorize is this:

Heidelberg Catechism Question 1. What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

Answer. That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ... [and] by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

The great undeserved gift of grace is salvation through Jesus Christ. That gift is mediated to us through the gift of the Holy Spirit, who is the comforter, the advocate, the one who dwells in us and works through us, teaching us how to live this life of faith.

As we remember the birthday of the church, the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, let's also give thanks for Carol and all the saints who have completed this earthly life and now have entered into life eternal.

And let us be thankful for the Holy Spirit who makes all this possible.

With thanks in Christ,

Pastor Amy

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