

*Sunday, May 19th, 2024*



*The Presbyterian Church at Shrewsbury  
352 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702*

# Pentecost 2024

Our PCAS Vision: "To be a Light by Living, Loving, Learning,  
and Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

## Order of Worship

*(\*Please rise in body and/or spirit)*

### **Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**                      Morning Has Broken

setting by Arnold B Sherman  
Youth Bell Choir

### **Candle Lighting**

#### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: In those days, says the Lord –

**People: In those days after Jesus rose from the dead, in those days  
when no one really knew what was going on or what was going to  
happen –**

Leader: In those days God exhaled the Holy Spirit.

**People: And when the disciples pushed out their fear**

Leader: And as dancing flames heralded the arrival of something new

**People: And as the birth cry was the cries of many languages, all  
understood –**

Leader: In those days, the church was born, out of fear and fire,

**People: With joy and awe.**

Leader: The church was born.

**People: Our church.**

Leader: God's church.

**People: Let us worship God.**

*"Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, 'Hold Fast to What Is Good'.  
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#### **\*Hymn Spirit of the 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.**

**Spirit of the Living God,  
Fall fresh on us.  
Spirit of the Living God,  
Fall fresh on us.  
Melt us, mold us, fill us, use us.  
Spirit of the Living God,  
Fall fresh on us.**

**Spirit of the Living God,  
Move among us all;  
Make us one in heart and mind,  
Make us one in love:  
Humble, caring, selfless, sharing.  
Spirit of the Living God,  
Fill our lives with love.**

### **Call to Confession**

Leader: We know and believe the Spirit of God intercedes for us and helps us in our weakness. Together may we confess what the Lord has already heard:

### **Prayer of Confession (unison)**

**Holy Spirit,  
we're not sure we're ready for your awesome power to blow  
through our lives;  
we're grown comfortable with our familiar habits and our bland  
routines;  
we're afraid to give up our waking slumber and face the truth that  
we do not truly live.  
When we cling to our ways and the safety of familiar paths,  
wake us up, shake us up, heat us up, and breathe your life into us.  
Walk with us, O God, and give us the courage to follow the way  
that is lit by the fire of your Spirit.  
On this Day of Pentecost, we pray for the audacity to ride the  
winds of change. Amen.**

### **Moment for Silent Reflection**

## Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Sisters and brothers in Christ, God's Spirit did not leave us after that first Pentecost. The Spirit is still with us, empowering us to know mercy and grace, forgiveness and service. In this Spirit, and through Christ, we proclaim the Good News:

**People: We are forgiven! Alleluia! Amen.**

## Prayer for Illumination

**Scripture Lesson: Acts 2:1-20**

This is the Word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God!**

## Children's Message

### Noisy Offering

## Sharing of Joys and Concerns

## Prayers of the Church and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

## \*Passing the Peace

\***Hymn #280** Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

**Sermon "When God Moves, God Moves!"**

## Offering

### Offertory

### Gavotte

William Boyce—arr. By Sondra K Tucker  
Youth Bell Choir

## \*Doxology



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise \*him, all crea-tures  
here be - low; praise \*him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

## **\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Hymn** #539 We Will Go Out with Joy

## **Benediction**

**Postlude** Be Thou My Vision

Setting by Sandra Eithun  
Youth Bell Choir

*The flowers are in honor of Jane & Al Wagner's  
70th wedding anniversary on May 22nd!*

### **Worship Leaders**

<b>Pastor:</b>	<b>Rev. Katja Gruening</b>
<b>Director of Music Ministries:</b>	<b>Marcello Velame</b>
<b>Liturgist:</b>	<b>Carol Streeper</b>
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	<b>Youth Bell Choir</b>
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Brian Sergeant</b>
	<b>John Tortora</b>
<b>Zoom Hosts:</b>	<b>John Palframan</b>
	<b>Jim Wright</b>
<b>Social Hour:</b>	<b>Michele Mackay, Judy Murphy, and</b>
	<b>Bob Suarez</b>

**SIGN UP NOW FOR THE POTLUCK WELCOME DINNER  
WITH THE IGREJA PRESBITERIANA GETHSEMANE  
MAY 19 AT 4:00PM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL**

The long-awaited welcome dinner for our Brazilian friends is finally happening. Come join us for a true potluck dinner to share American and Brazilian cuisine and get to know our Brazilian Presbyterian friends.

Sign up to bring a main dish, salad, side or dessert on the [poster](#) in the Church House foyer or on [Sign up Genius](#) online or call or email the church office.

Bring your favorite potluck dish and enjoy the mix of American and Brazilian food.

May 19 is Pentecost so what better way to celebrate than with another Presbyterian church?



# 280 Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

1 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; come with  
 2 We would raise our al - le - lu - ias for the  
 3 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; give us

Pen - te - cos - tal power; give the church a  
 grace of yes - ter - years; for to - mor - row's  
 words of fire and flame. Help our fee - ble

strong - er vi - sion; help us face each cru - cial hour.  
 un - known path - way, hear, O Lord, our hum - ble prayers.  
 lips to praise you, glo - ri - fy your ho - ly name.

Built up - on a firm foun - da - tion, Je - sus Christ, the  
 In the church - 's pil - grim jour - ney you have led us  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One: what

Cor - ner - stone, still the church is called to  
 all the way; still in pres - ence move be -  
 mys - ter - y! We would sing our loud ho -

mis - sion that God's love shall be made known.  
 fore us, fire by night and cloud by day.  
 san - nas now and through e - ter - ni - ty.

# We Will Go Out with Joy

SENDING

539

*Leader* C F/C C G7 C

1 We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.  
 2 Now an - y - one who's born of the Spir-it, sing a new song of joy.  
 3 We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.

*All* C F/C C C/G G7 C *Fine*

We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.  
 Now an - y - one who's born of the Spir-it, sing a new song of joy.  
 We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.

*Refrain* F#sus2 C F G C

Al - le - lu - ia! We will go out with joy.

F#sus2 C E<sup>b</sup>sus2 Dm7 G#sus G *to Stanzas*

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Drawing on the phrasing of Isaiah 55:12, this joyful sending hymn was created by a musical Canadian father and daughter, beginning with the tune that emerged from a four-hand piano improvisation. The completed hymn later served as the recessional music for her wedding.



20	MAY, MON	● 7 – 9pm	Boy Scouts (FH)
21	MAY, TUE	● 9 – 10:30am	Zoom Bible Study
		● 11am – 12pm	Overeaters Anonymous (TR)
		● 5 – 7pm	Mental Health Association of Monmouth County (FH)
22	MAY, WED	● 8 – 9pm	Igreja Presbiteriana Gethsemani Bible Study (TR)
23	MAY, THU	● 7 – 9pm	Igreja Presbiteriana Gethsemani choir practice (FH)
25	MAY, SAT	● 7:30 – 9pm	AA (TR and FH)
26	MAY, SUN	● 8:45 – 9:30am	Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
		● 10 – 11am	Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)
		● 11am – 12pm	Coffee Hour (FH)
		● 3:30 – 4:30pm	AA (TR)
		● 5 – 6pm	AA (TR)
		● 6 – 9pm	Igreja Presbiteriana Gethsemani Worship (FH)