Pebble Hill Presbyterian Church



Worship for May 19, 2024

Worship for the Day of Pentecost May 19, 2024

Meditation (in preparation for worship)

"And I had a kind of vision of us all coming together, bearing our different wounds, offering differing gifts. The preachers, prophets, healers and discerners of spirits. Those who can describe the faith and those who can only live it. Those who write and those who sing. Those who have knowledge and those who are wise only in the sight of God. Each of us poor and in need of love, yet rich in spirit."

Kathleen Norris in *Amazing Grace*

"I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is in you through the laying on of my hands."

II Timothy 1:6

"What if people were invited to come tell what they already know of God instead of to learn what they are supposed to believe?"

Barbara Brown Taylor in *Leaving Church*

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here! If you are new or visiting, please sign the guest pad in the pews. We hope you will join us for refreshments during our Fellowship Hour after the service.

*Please stand if you are able. Congregation reads aloud the **bold** print.

The word of the Lord to the prophet: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old shall dream, dreams and your young shall see visions.

*Hymn #280

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

Ebenezer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Mighty God, who sent the promised power of the Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith: we confess that we have held back the force of your Spirit among us; that we have been slow to serve you, and reluctant to spread the good news of your love. God, have mercy upon us. Forgive our divisions and, by your Spirit, draw us together. Fill us with flaming desire to do your will and to be a faithful people.

A Time of Silence

Please take this time in silence to offer your own prayers of confession-confessing your need for God and naming those barriers that keep you from knowing life as God's beloved child.

Collect

Declaration of Pardon

John 20:22-23

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven

Through Christ, God restores us to faith, hope and love.

The peace of Christ be with you

And also with you.

*Passing the Peace

*Gloria

Every Time I Feel the Spirit (refrain)

Every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray. Yes, every time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart I will pray.

Children's Conversation

Hymn Jesus Loves Me

Scripture: Acts 2:1-12 Maggie Reid

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?"

*Hymn #688

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

Morecambe

A Few Words about Scripture

Rev. Hayes

Offering

Anthem

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

African American Spiritual arr. by Darrell Peter

*Doxology:

As a Fire Is Meant for Burning v.1

Beach Spring

As a fire is meant for burning with a bright and warming flame, so the church is meant for mission, giving glory to God's name. Not to preach our creeds or customs, but to build a bridge of care, we join hands across the nations, finding neighbors everywhere.

*Dedication

Announcements

Please wait for the microphones when making announcements. The microphone should be held parallel to the floor and about 6 inches from your mouth.

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

*Benediction



Welcome to our worship at Pebble Hill!

If you are with us for the first time, we hope that you find our worship meaningful and our fellowship inviting.

Please reach out to Stuart or Nancy Byrne to learn more about Pebble Hill Church.

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Please keep in your prayers this week:

- ❖ We pray for Donna Sognefest's sister-in-law, who is recovering from a heart attack.
- We pray for Karen Low's brother-in-law, who is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- ❖ We pray for the people in the Midwest who are cleaning up after the recent tornados.
- ❖ We pray for peace in Sudan.
- ❖ We pray for children in Yemen who struggle to survive in the midst of war and famine.
- ❖ We pray for the people in Haiti dealing with chaos and violence.
- ❖ We pray for everyone in this country and around the world experiencing antisemitism and Islamophobia.

- ❖ We pray for the Palestinian people who are caught in the vicious conflict between Israel and Hamas and who struggle to avoid famine.
- ❖ We pray for the Israeli hostages and their families and the Palestinian hostages and their families as they await release.
- ❖ We pray for the relief workers who are risking their lives to get much needed supplies to the people of Gaza.
- ❖ We pray for the Ukrainian and Russian people who continue to endure conflict and violence.
- We pray for the medical professionals around the globe tending to the needs of people in war zones.
- ❖ We pray for all caregivers in hospitals, urgent care facilities, long-term care facilities and those who provide at-home care.
- ❖ We pray for the Eastern Farmworkers, who provide for those who work our central New York farms.
- ❖ We pray for the Elders and Deacons.

Announcements



The May deadline for donations of non-perishable food items to the food pantry is today. The Deacons will be making their delivery tomorrow. As always financial donations to the food pantry are also welcome.

Thank you for your support.

The Deacons

The Week at Pebble Hill 5/19 – 5/25

Sunday	10:00 am 11:00 am	Worship Coffee and Fellowship Hour – Atrium
	2:00 pm	Vision and Strategy Meeting – Forum
	2:45 pm	Schola Cantorum Pre Concert Rehearsal – Sanctuary
	4:00 pm	Schola Cantorum Concert – Sanctuary
	6:00 pm	Master's Touch Rehearsal – FH
Monday	9:30 am	Bluebirds – KR
	4:00 pm	Bluebirds – KR
	5:00 pm	PHPC Women's Dinner – King David's
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bluebirds – KR
	6:00 pm	Session – Forum
	4:00 pm	L. Stafford Flute Lessons – CE#2
Wednesday	8:00 am	Lifelong Screening Event – FH
	10:00 am	Morning Circle – Lounge
	2:00 pm	Afternoon Circle – Lounge
	4:30 pm	ESCG – Lounge
	4:30 pm	Bluebirds – KR
Thursday	9:30 am	Bluebirds – KR
	4:30 pm	Bluebirds – KR
	5:00 pm	Salt City Ukulele Rehearsal – FH
Friday	10:30 am	Pastors' Gathering – Lounge
	1:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Saturday	9:00 am	Bluebirds – KR

THANK YOU TO TODAY'S ASSISTANTS: MARTHA MAIER AND ZETTA FAYOS – USHERS

REV. STUART HAYES – BRIDGE PASTOR PAUL BURGAY – ACCOMPANIST MAGGIE REID – LITURGIST

This morning's flowers are given by Martha Maier. Thank you.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO ARE LIVE STREAMING THIS MORNING'S SERVICE.

