



SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL



THE DAY OF PENTECOST 08 JUNE 2025

PRAYER

"Send Your Spirit"

(Cyril of Jerusalem)

God of all, who spoke by the Holy Spirit through the prophets, you sent forth the Spirit upon the apostles on the day of Pentecost.

Now send forth the Spirit upon us at this time,
and by the Spirit also keep us.

Impart his benefits in common to us all,
that we may always show forth the fruits of the Spirit:
love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22–23).
In Christ Jesus our Lord, by whom and with whom,
together with the Holy Spirit,
be glory to the Father,
both now and ever,
and forever and ever,
amen.

QUOTES

"Pentecost is not merely the birthday of the church; it is the beginning of a new creation. The Spirit descends as wind and fire, the same Spirit that hovered over the waters of creation now reshapes humanity into the image of the Son."

"At Pentecost, the confusion of Babel is reversed—not by making everyone the same, but by harmonizing difference. The Spirit doesn't erase tongues; He orchestrates them."

(Peter Leithart)

PRELUDE, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & PREPARATION

For Preparation

"God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!" (Psalm 47:5-6)

The Gloria Patri – with uplifted hands–

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

THE LORD CALLS US

The Call to Worship

The Lord be with you!

And with your spirit!

From Psalm 104

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

O Lord my God, you are very great!

You are clothed with splendor and majesty,

covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent.

He lays the beams of his chambers on the waters; he makes the clouds his chariot;

he rides on the wings of the wind;

he makes his messengers winds,

his ministers a flaming fire.

O Lord, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom have you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,

and you renew the face of the ground.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever;

may the Lord rejoice in his works,

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

May my meditation be pleasing to him,

for I rejoice in the Lord.

Hymn – "And Can it Be That I Should Gain" (708)

WE CONFESS AND ARE CLEANSED

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Our faithful God and Father, we acknowledge before you that we are guilty and deserving of punishment. Our very nature is prone to hate you and our neighbors.

We cannot, of ourselves, obey your commands,

We confess our inability and our need for your grace.

Forgive us, for we do not deserve your kindness but only your just judgment.

Yet, because you are gracious,

And because Christ has borne our guilt and punishment on the cross, we come to you in humble repentance.

Renew us, O God, by your Holy Spirit,

And strengthen us to live according to your will.

We ask this in the name of Christ.



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Text: Traditional

Silent Prayers of Confession – kneeling, if able–

Assurance of Pardon – 2 Thessalonians 2:13

"We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth."

Sursum Corda

So, lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is right to give him thanks and praise!

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth. Therefore, we praise You, Triune God, and we join our voices with the angels, the archangels, and the whole company of Heaven in this hymn of eternal praise:

THE LORD CONSECRATES US



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Profession of Faith - The Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hades. On the third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and now sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Westminster Shorter Catechism: #45-46

Q. 45. Which is the first commandment?

A. The first commandment is, Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

Q. 46. What is required in the first commandment?

A. The first commandment requireth us to know and acknowledge God to be the only true God, and our God, and to worship and glorify him accordingly.

Hymn – "Come, Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted" (565)

Scripture Readings:

First Reading: Genesis 11:1-9

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Second Reading: John 14:23-31

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Hymn – "How Firm a Foundation" (645)

Prayer of Adoration and Intercession

When you hear, "Lord, in your mercy," please respond with: "Hear our prayer."

^{*}catholic refers to the universal collection of God's people throughout all time and from all places.

Pastor Brooks Potteiger

The Lord's Prayer (see #1108 for music)

Our Father, which 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.

TITHES AND TRIBUTE OFFERINGS

Generous and loving God, We bring you our tithes and offerings With glad and grateful hearts. Guide us as stewards of your abundance,

For the glory of Christ and the good of our neighbor. Amen.

Hymn – "Come Down, O Love Divine" (1014) Hymn – "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" (550)

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Words of Institution and the Lord's Table

The Lord's Supper is a sacramental family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians, who are in good standing at a church that proclaims the gospel, to the table. By coming, you acknowledge that you have trusted in Christ alone for your justification before God, that you are currently at peace with God and neighbor, and that you are seeking to grow daily in holiness. If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Brooks.

THE BREAD – "Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (see next page)

To display our unity, please wait to eat the bread until instructed.



THE WINE

We pass the wine with "the peace of Christ." You are welcome to drink the wine immediately and to fellowship freely during this time. If juice is desired, it will be the lighter liquid in the tray.

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

Commissioning Hymn - "Lo! He Comes" (see next page)



Charge: Pray for Heaven's Breeze

Benediction (Romans 15:13)

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

Closing Doxology *–with uplifted hands–*



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Pastor: Peace be with you. **People: And also with you.**

For Family Worship

Daily Catechesis

- Weekly Westminster Shorter Catechism: #44-45 (see liturgy, pg. 5)
- Hymn of the Week: "Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (see liturgy, pg. 7)
- **Proverb of the Week:** "The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." (John 3:8)
- **Prayer:** "Send Your Spirit" (see liturgy, pg. 1)

Prayer Requests

Current

- For Caleb and Mallory Smith -son and daughter-in-law of Chris and Jennifer, as they push out into their new marriage.
- For those who are waiting to hear back about job promotions, and the opening of other vocational doors. May the Lord bless us with productive plows and fruitful fields.
- For favor over Charlton's and Gabe Rench's "Business Makers" endeavor, especially as they pursue investors.
- Traveling mercies over the many traveling this week, including Naomi and her trip to Moscow.
- For the mothers who are with child. Safety for all the mommas and babies.
- Thankfulness for our new ruling elder (Josh Boyd) and deacon (Scotty Rowlett).
- For the folks who are newer to our community. That they would get established quickly.
- For Sondra Rowlett, that her cancer stays in remission and no new concerns arise.
- For our own place in God's timing.
- Provision, peace, wisdom, and diligence for those feeling the financial pinch.

Ongoing

- For a teaching elder for the new CREC plant in Columbia, King's Cross Reformed Church
- Favor and wisdom for those who have businesses, or are dreaming of starting one.
- Great wisdom for Pete in his role as SecDef and continued protection both spiritual and physical for the Hegseths.
- For salvation for extended family members who have not turned to Christ.
- For healing for all who are suffering from physical ailments.
- For the ministries we financially support:
 - o Cumberland Crisis Pregnancy: Provision, protection, and wisdom
 - The Joint Eastern European Project (J.E.E.P.): See their website for current prayer requests
 - o Recovery Refuge House in Ridgetop

Upcoming Events

PARISH GROUPS

Summer break starting in June

SUMMER TEENAGE GIRLS' FELLOWSHIP

- Sundays, from 4-7pm
- Pool time, Bible Study, skill-building mentorship, and yummy food!
- At the Brookshire (typically)
- Check the ladies' Signal thread for more info

SUMMER MARRIAGE BOOK STUDY (Zoom):

- For a Glory and a Covering by Doug Wilson
- Tuesdays from 8:30-9:15pm

MEN'S WEEKLY BOOK STUDY

- "Leadership in an Age of Anxiety" (Video)
- Fridays at 6:15 am on Pastor Brooks's back porch

MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP MEALS

- First Sunday of every month
- Immediately following the service at the church
- No Sunday School on these days
- If you would like to serve on the fellowship team, email Sharon Haney at daylily1980@comcast.net

Officers:

The Session:

- Pastor Brooks Potteiger <u>brooks@pilgrimhill.church</u>
- Josh Boyd (Ruling Elder)

The Diaconate:

- Chris Boyd
- Nathan Haney
- Shelvy Huffman
- Scotty Rowlett

Submit a question for Pastor Brooks for an upcoming Q&A:



Volunteer to help with Fellowship Meals:



Meal sign-up for Recovery Refuge:



Sermon Notes