

# Prospect Street United Methodist Church

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**Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**10:30 a.m.**



## Mission Statement:

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to grow in our commitment to Christ,  
to serve others, and welcome all people."

# Pentecost Sunday

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Joshua Freshour, Pastor

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\*Please stand if you are able

Please silence electronic devices

NOISY COLLECTION

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

WELCOME

Terry Huff

OPENING PRAISE SONG

“We Will Glorify”

PASS THE PEACE

Leader:

The Lord Be With You

People:

**And Also with You**

CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

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PRELUDE

Jim Anderson & Gary Flach

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save” arr. by Lani Smith

Lighting of the Altar Candles

*Use this time to prepare your heart for worship*

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is nothing new.

**People: From the beginning God has called us to come together.**

Leader: And to be faithful to our God.

**People: Which is to be faithful to each other.**

Leader: It's nothing new to be faithful to love and grace, and life.

**People: We just have to speak of it in a new way, every day.**

**All: Or else it all becomes old news.**

\*OPENING HYMN

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

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\*INVOCATION

**Holy Spirit, we pray that You make Your presence known to us today. Fall upon us. Bring upon us the sense of community. Give us the wisdom to discern the importance of the Body and our role in it. May we never be ashamed of our uniqueness. But, at the same time, may we not be arrogant in the gifts we've been given. The more we embrace who we are and embrace who others are, the more our uniqueness will bring us together rather than tear us apart. Help us to see, O God,**

**that as we search for our identities, we will then discover and uncover more of who we are as the Body. And as a result, while things might seem and feel new to us, it is only because our eyes and ears and hearts have just begun to open up to what has always been Your design. Amen.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Rick Highfill

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

“Jesus Loves Me” vs. 1

Children under age four may go to the Nursery

Children ages four through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are dismissed for Junior Worship

OFFERING

Offertory

“Faith of Our Fathers” arr. by Tedd Smith & Don Hustad

Loose offering to help students at YonSei Medical Center in Korea & General Fund

\*Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:1-21

<sup>1</sup> When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup> Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup> Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup> And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libys belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup> Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” <sup>12</sup> All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” <sup>13</sup> But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” <sup>14</sup> But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup> Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup> ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup> Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. <sup>20</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. <sup>21</sup> Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE

“When Life Hands You Old Wine, Make it New”

Pastor Josh

HYMN OF PRAYER

“El Shaddai”

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PASTORAL PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.**

\*CLOSING HYMN "They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "God Be With You"  
**God be with you till we meet again;  
by his counsels guide, uphold you,  
with his sheep securely fold you;  
God be with you till we meet again.  
Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet;  
till we meet, till we meet,  
God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE "God of Our Fathers" arr. by Tedd Smith & Don Hustad

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Liturgist: Charlene Spillman  
Greeters/Acolytes: John Haas

*Next Sunday Scripture: Acts 17:22-31 & Sermon Title: "Ignorance is Not Bliss"*

*The clear candle burning on our altar signifies our appreciation for the men and women serving our country during this time of national concern.*

If you have a **Prayer Request**, please call Pastor Josh at 614-519-8870.

**Altar Flowers** are given by Mike & Linda Mills in loving memory of our sister, Kim Gamble Mathews. Her May birthday always brings fond feelings. Psalm 91

The **YA Squad** will meet **today** at 1 p.m.

**Youth Fellowship** will meet **today** from 2:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.

**Bible Study** – every **Wednesday** at 6 p.m.

**Book Study** every **Friday** at 10 a.m. and **Bible Study** every **Friday** at 11 a.m.

A special "**Peace with Justice Offering**" will be collected on **Sunday, May 31**.

After 2<sup>nd</sup> service on **Sunday, May 31**, there will be a gathering in the Welcome Center for Erika's retirement.

**Pam Larkin** will be in the office on **Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

The **Board of Trustees** will meet on **Monday, June 1**, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The **Martha Horne Circle** will meet on **Thursday, June 4**, at 6 p.m. at the House of Hunan.

The **Sacrament of Holy Communion** will be served at both services on **Sunday, June 7.**

**Nate Freshour's Graduation Party – Sunday, June 7,** from 2 – 5 p.m. at Crosswood UMC.

Once again, Prospect Street UMC has the honor of hosting **The Cardinal Chorale** under the direction of Mr. Charles R. Snyder. On **Monday, June 8, at 7 p.m.** This is a Christian Hospitality Opportunity!

- Please **MARK** the date on your calendars. **INVITE FRIENDS. It is a FREE concert!**
- **HOUSING** is always a large responsibility. We must have housing for approximately 45 people. Host homes will have 2-4 singers. These people are some of the most kind and thoughtful people you will ever meet. Host families often feel like they have been more on the receiving end, rather than the giving end, after this experience. The singers aren't picky; they are willing to sleep on beds, air mattresses or couches! Hosts provide a light snack after the concert (water/fruit) bedding, shower/towels, and a light breakfast for the morning. You will need to pick them up after the concert and bring them back in the morning.
- **DONATIONS** - If you are unable to attend the concert or host singers, you can support the Chorale through a financial gift. Money is needed to help pay for their coach bus and driver. Donations of any size are truly appreciated.

Please contact the church office, if you can assist with this concert in any way.

**Vacation Bible School** will be held at PSUMC from **Sunday, July 19 thru Thursday, July 23.** Our theme this year is TRUE NORTH, Trusting Jesus in a Wild World. A light supper will be served for interested attendees each evening between 5:30 and 6:00. We will begin each evening's activities at 6:00 and dismiss at approximately 8:15. We also plan to provide each child with a snack to take home at the end of the evening. We will be accepting donations of individually wrapped snacks (think something like Little Debbie Snacks or bags of chips) to distribute each evening. Please prayerfully consider if you can help us in this vital ministry. Thank you!

Another event for you to add to your calendar is a **Pot Luck** on **Sunday, June 28,** immediately following the 2<sup>nd</sup> service. Please plan on joining us for a relaxing meal and time of fellowship.

**E-Tithing** is an automatic withdrawal from your checking account and is remitted automatically to the church. We can set it up so it will deduct from your checking account on the 1<sup>st</sup> and/or the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Contact the church office for more information!

The **Flower Calendar** for 2026 is hanging up in the hallway. The price for fresh flowers is \$46.95. Silk flowers are \$5.00. Select your date to remember a loved one or to honor a family member or friend. Make checks payable to Prospect Street United Methodist Church. Let the office know if you order your own flowers.

**Service DVD's for Shut-Ins!** We have DVD's available of our 10:30 a.m. worship service for anyone who would like to borrow or have a copy. We are delivering DVDs on Monday mornings!

**Kroger Community Rewards** – Please enroll in the Kroger Community Program. Go to [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) and all the details on creating an online account are there. Under Community Rewards make sure you search and select "Prospect St. United Meth. Chur" our organization number is VF478. Thank you! If you have any questions, please call Erika.

**Attendance May 17:** Sunday School - 28                      Worship Services – 23/109