



THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

ORDER OF WORSHIP

MAY 4, AD 2025
9 am



GATHERING TO PRAISE

Assisting Pastor: Scott Graham

***Welcome and Call to Worship**

From Ezekiel 37

Thus says the LORD, "I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live."

We shall live, and we shall know that you are the LORD.

Thus says the Lord GOD, "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live."

Our bones are dried up and our hope is lost.

Raise us from our graves!

"I will put my Spirit within you," says the LORD, and you shall live.

"I will raise you from your graves, O my people."

You have spoken. You have done it. We are raised. We know that you are the LORD who does mighty works!

***Songs of Praise**

"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"

"Bless God"

***Blessing God**

***Song of Praise**

"King of Kings"

***Greeting**

Children ages three through kindergarten are invited to Children's Church.

High School Senior Recognition

**Standing*



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Acts 2:1–13

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and 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 Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.”

The secret things belong to the LORD our God.

But what has been revealed belongs to us, and to our children forever. That we may do all the words of this law.

Sermon

Colton Underwood

“The Promise of the Father”



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

Scriptural Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, we are empty. We've tried to live by our own strength and come to you weak. We've been so distracted and blown about by the winds of the world that we are scattered. We've allowed the flame that once burned so bright to go cold, flickering, and it seems that it might burn out. Forgive us. Pour out your Spirit again. Set a fire in us that we might be animated to live with your purpose, joy, and power. Purify us. Unify us. Holy Spirit, gather these scattered bones and breathe into us that we might be made new. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon



LORD'S SUPPER

We Are Welcomed to the Table

We Give Thanks for Jesus' Mighty Acts

We Hear the Words Jesus Said at Supper

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We Commune with Jesus

Please bring your prayer requests and offerings forward during communion.

***Songs of Response**

“Rise, My Soul, the Lord Is Risen”

“Your Great Name”



BENEDICTION

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***Response**

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!

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Prayer Time: Join us at 10.10 am each Sunday for additional prayer in the Prayer Room (just to the left of the elevator in the Sanctuary building). One or more pastors/elders, along with others willing to intercede on your behalf, will welcome you.

Chapel and Sanctuary Flowers: Today's flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Mary Crosby McDuff and Martha Ann Ellison Cunningham by Ann & Michael McDuff.

Scripture for Next Week: Acts 2: 22–41

Sanctuary services are video recorded and livestreamed.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! We're so glad you could join us today. Each week we seek to press deeper into Christ and then follow his lead to go further into the world with his love. As part of that mission, we'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to prayer@fpcbr.org, through the church app or by filling out a card in the pew rack.

Confirmation Celebration Today. Our 6th grade students prepare all year to make their public profession of faith at a special worship service. On Sunday, May 4 at 4 pm in the Sanctuary, they will profess Christ and be confirmed as active members of our church. Come support them at this celebratory service! A reception follows.

Vacation Bible School: Register as a Camper or Volunteer Today! Jerusalem Marketplace VBS is June 9–12. Visit fpcbr.org or scan the code for volunteer and camper details.



Volunteer for the Returning Hearts Celebration, May 17. Returning Hearts is a fun and Spirit-filled annual event where children and their Angola inmate fathers can begin to allow God's healing and reconciliation in their lives. Visit fpcbr.org for details and to volunteer.

Memorial Weekend Worship. We will have one combined service on May 25 at 10.30 am in celebration of Memorial Day. There will be no Sunday school.

Mother's Day Out Is Hiring. MDO is hiring a teacher for the two year old class for next year. Contact Whitney Weiner to inquire (mdo@fpcbr.org or 620.0245).

College Scholarships Available! The FPC Women's Ministry College Scholarship Fund offers financial assistance to church members who anticipate having difficulty meeting the obligations of continued education. Applications are available at fpcbr.org and are due by July 14, 2025.

Ways to Give. We are grateful you choose to be a part of God's economy with us. Gifts to First Presbyterian may be mailed (763 North Blvd., 70802) or made online (fpcbr.org or the church app).



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