

# Traditional Worship

May 24, 2026  
8:45 am



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A member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Pentecost



## Worship Notes

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**Thank God for sacrifice!** With tomorrow being Memorial Day, we're reminded of the great sacrifice of so many in our military who have died to help secure our freedom. As followers of Jesus, we can see this as a small picture of His great love for us. His sacrifice for us secured our freedom from being bound by sin, death, and hell. Thanks be to God for Christ, our great Sacrifice!

**What Is Pentecost?** The word 'Pentecost' comes from the Greek; it simply means 'fiftieth'. Pentecost Sunday ends the season of Easter; it is the Sabbath day after a week's worth of weeks ( $7 \times 7 = 49$ ).

Pentecost was originally a festival marking the first grain harvest of the Middle Eastern year. As the Jews grew to understand themselves as followers of the one and only true God, they created ways to be thankful to God for the first harvest, without the pagan trappings.

Now, fast-forward to Jesus' time. As Luke reports it, the believers had gathered together after Jesus returned to the Father. On the morning of Pentecost, they came out of the room, and, filled with the Holy Spirit, they started telling the people they met about Jesus. About 3000 people believed the message and joined the disciples in following Jesus. This was the first fruits of a new kind of harvest.

## God Gathers Us

### Prelude

As the Deer - Nystrom, setting by Cota

### Welcome

Call to Worship - from John 3:16

### Invocation

### Introit

Let Thy Holy Presence - P. Tschesnokoff, arr. Ehret

### Gathering Hymn

#96 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

### Gloria Patri no. 733

## We Respond to God's Presence

### Anthem

Sweet, Sweet Spirit - Akers, arr. Lamb

### Worship Through Giving

### Prayer

Doxology no. 34

### Greeting

### Announcements

# God Reveals His Word to Us

## Song of Illumination

Invocation of the Light - Peters Branch

**Sermon** Rev. Chris Piehl

Scripture: Revelation 5:1-10 (page 1221 in pew Bible)

Series: A Christian Guide to Eternity

Message: Behold the Lamb

## We Go Forth in Joy

### Hymn of Response

#317 Crown Him with Many Crowns

### Sending Prayer

### Benediction

### Postlude

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing - arr. Smith/Hustad

## Prayer for the Week


Burn in us this morning, Holy Spirit.  
We give you the places of our hearts  
that have been choked by the cares of this world.  
We give you our tiredness, our sin, our struggles with apathy.  
We await your fiery cleansing. Amen

No longer is Pentecost about a harvest of grain, but it marks the harvest of people into the kingdom. Pentecost is the completion of the seven week Eastertide season. It is that power of the Holy Spirit that confirms our faith and sends us out with the message of Easter.

**Prayer chain** If you would like to be kept up-to-date on prayer needs in our church body, please sign up for the CCPC Prayer chain at [cccprays@ccpc.life](mailto:cccprays@ccpc.life)

**May We Pray With You?** When we join together in prayer, there is a particular power available from God. If you would like prayer and/or prayer for healing, please come forward after the service to find a pastor or elder and we'd love to pray for you and/or anoint you with oil (per James 5).

**Assisting in Worship** CCPC Hand Bells: Johnnie Graves, Laurie Wagner, Lisa Baumann, Sylvia Sheron, Alison Wager, Lia Wiersma, Paul Wilson, Becky Stevens; Trudy Pohawpatchoko, conductor; John 3:16 readers: Mruneel Bhagath Gundala & Hailey Fanta; Nancy Saddler, guest organist; Sanctuary Choir; Louise Brennan, reader; Lu Downing, piano; David Knopp & Tech Team; Usher Team

**Giving** In response to God's goodness, we are called to offer our whole selves—heart and mind, soul, and strength—in joyful adoration in our daily lives. One way we do that is through giving financially, which you can do in person after the service, by mail or here: <https://cherrycreekpres.org/give> 

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# Convergent Worship

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Welcome

Call to Worship - John 3:16

Invocation

## Gathering Songs

Build My Life - Nockels

King of Love - I Am They

His Glory and My Good - CityAlight

Gloria Patri - arr. Hicks

## We Respond to God's Presence

Worship Through Giving

Prayer

Doxology

## We Join in Christ's Baptism

Sacrament of Baptism

Addyson Johnson

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### Song of Response

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name - arr. Baloché

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