

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Day of Pentecost

June 8, 2025

**A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH HOLY COMMUNION
AND THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

Mindy Douglas

PRELUDE

Sonata in D (ii Allegro)

G.F. Handel

Allison Willet, violin

INTROIT

Canon of Praise

W.A. Mozart

*Make a joyful noise to God, all ye lands. Serve with gladness;
draw near to God with a joyful heart. Come before God's presence with singing;
into His gates with thanksgiving, his courts with praise.*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Mindy Douglas

Leader: God's Spirit joins with our spirits to declare that we are children of God.
Come, Spirit of wisdom, and teach us to value the highest gifts.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: Come, Spirit of understanding, and show us all things in the light of eternity.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: Come, Spirit of godliness, and stir up our minds and hearts to love and serve the Lord our
God all our days.

People: Come, Holy Spirit.

All: Come, let us worship God!

*** HYMN NO. 280**

Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

Ebenezer

***CONFESSION OF SIN**

Cris Rivera

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Come, Holy Spirit!

Rain upon our dry and dusty lives.

Wash away our sin and heal our wounded spirits.

Kindle within us the fire of your love to burn away our apathy.

With your warmth, bend our rigidity, and guide our wandering feet.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

**Those who are able, please stand.*

***REGATHERING HYMN NO. 297**

In Christ Called to Baptize

St. Denio

*Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love,
for you are within us, around us, above.*

*Equip us for service with gifts you bestow.
In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Candace Gunn

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: Let us pray.

All: Holy Wisdom, you are the pillar of fire
that leads us into each new moment of our lives.
By the power of your Spirit,
settle now into our hearts and illuminate your will;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 8:14-17

(Pew Bible, NT Page 163)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

Candace Gunn

People: Thanks be to God!

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2:1-12

(Pew Bible, NT Page 119)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

Mindy Douglas

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“The Spirit Among Us”

Mindy Douglas

(Silent reflection)

***HYMN NO. 292**

As the Wind Song

Wairua Tapu

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Esther Hethcox

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS

Invitation to Give

Cris Rivera

Offertory Anthem

Laudate Dominum (sung in Latin)

W. A. Mozart

Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol God, all you peoples.

Lesley Curtis, soprano

*For great is God's steadfast love toward us, and the
faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever will be. Amen.*

(The Pentecost Offering)

*Doxology with Alleluias

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia; Alleluia;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!*

SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

Mindy Douglas, Esther Hethcox

Candidates for Office of Elder

† Richard Anderson
Lea Bingham
† Kathy Coville
† Emily Schmitt Dennis
Lanny Pratt
Laurie Ray
Jim Rogers (one-year term)
Jane Williams

Candidates for Office of Deacon

Brianna Bennett
Wil James
Julio Manceras
† Caroline Means
† Jo Ann Moore
† Sara Radtke
† Carolyn Ragans
Lexy Rile
† *Candidate for Ordination*

Statement on Ordination

Presentation of Elder and Deacon Candidates

Profession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Constitutional Questions

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

Welcome and Charge

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Esther Hethcox

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Cris Rivera

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: O Lord our God, how great are your works.

You created the world and all that is in it.

You give the nations their names and the peoples their beauty in diversity.

But we rebelled against your sovereign love,

seeking to storm the gates of heaven,

trying to make a name for ourselves in the world.

But by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ

you have given us your own name

and have made us your own people,

a royal priesthood, a holy nation.

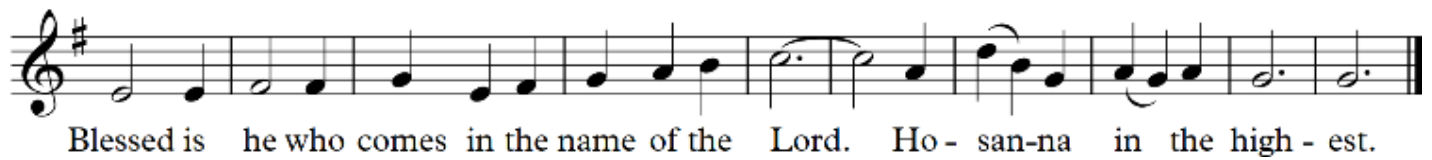
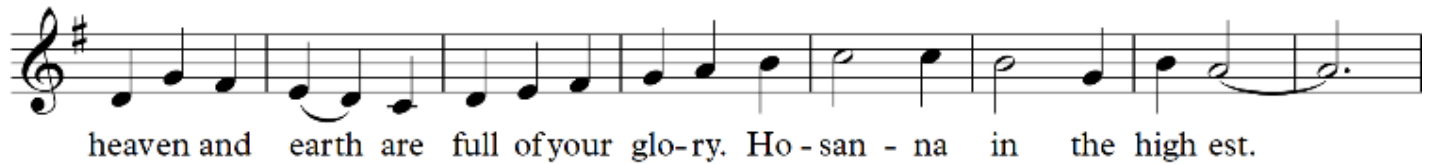
Now send forth your life-giving Spirit
to renew and re-create us.

Save us, Lord! We call upon your name:

All (sung):

Sanctus

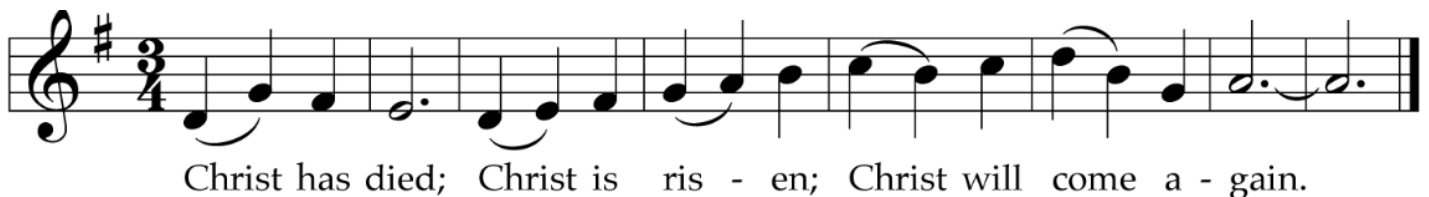
Land of Rest



Leader: We give you thanks
that you have made us one with Jesus
as Christ is one with you and the Holy Spirit.
Remembering your mighty acts of mercy,
we celebrate this feast with the risen Lord,
offering our lives in thanksgiving and praise.
Great is the mystery of faith:

All (sung):

Land of Rest



Leader: Fill this place with your Holy Spirit
like the rush of a mighty wind,
like a consuming fire.
By the power of your Spirit
feed us with bread from heaven
and fill us with the new wine of your reign.
Fill us with dreams and visions
of that great and glorious day
when the Lord Jesus Christ will come again,
and we will eat and drink with him
in the joy of your eternal realm.

All (sung):

Land of Rest



THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

Ecumenical Version ★

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Esther Hethcox

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

*(The bread and the elements are gluten free and were prepared in a gluten-free area. We use grape juice in the cup. Servers will sanitize their hands prior to distributing the elements. As you are able, come forward to receive communion. **The server will give you a piece of bread, which you dip in the cup.** After eating, please return to your seat. Anyone who is unable to come forward may remain in the pew to be served by the clergy.)*

Communion Music

Sonata in D (i Affettuoso)

G.F. Handel

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Cris Rivera

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: Amen.

All: Gracious God,

**may we who have received this sacrament live in the unity of your Holy Spirit,
that we may show forth your gifts to all the world. Amen.**

HYMN NO. 66

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

Pentecost

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Mindy Douglas

*POSTLUDE

Voluntary in C

G.F. Handel

Happening Today

FPC Art Festival (June 8 -15): Stop by Watts-Hill Hall to see a wide range of talents of our FPC members and friends.

Meaning in the Middle Fellowship (8:00pm via Zoom): MnM is a faith formation group and a fellowship community of adults in their late 20s to 40s – single or with life partners.



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We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Jesus Christ. First Presbyterian welcomes individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender identity, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that you may know who is sitting nearby, please sign the *Friendship Pad*, pass it along the pew, and **then return it to the starting point**, noting the names of those sitting near you.

The *flowers* today are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the wedding of *Liz Brown* and *John Caldwell* on June 7, 2025 in the FPC Sanctuary.

Special thanks for *Lesley Curtis*, *Dan Huff*, and *Allison Willet* for sharing their musical gifts with us today.

The *Service & Mission Committee* has chosen the Durham Children's Defense Fund (CDF) Freedom School to be the recipient of our congregation's share of the **Pentecost Offering** this year. The CDF Freedom School is a literacy and cultural enrichment program for low-income, public elementary school children which is held for 6 weeks in the summer at Epworth United Methodist Church. Please donate during worship service or on the church website and select "Pentecost offering." Thank you for your donation! Read more about the Pentecost offering from PC(USA) below.

Childcare: A staffed nursery and children's playroom are available on the second floor of the education building during worship. **Activity bags** are available in the foyer for children. Please return bags to the foyer at the end of worship.

Restroom locations: To the left and right as you exit the rear of the sanctuary; on the first and second floors of the education building; and on the first and second floors of the church house. There is an infant changing table in the restroom area located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Our *Paschal Candle and stained Red Oak Stand*, crafted by Marklin Candle Design of Contoocook, New Hampshire and given in memory of *Elder Ed Kwon*, was originally dedicated on April 30, 2017. This candle stands as a visible sign of God's enduring presence in our beautiful century-old sanctuary. Rooted in Passover (Pesach) and adopted by early Christians, the lit Candle represents the Risen Christ's triumph over darkness and death, his resurrection, to become the Light of the World.

Portions of today's worship resources were printed from: *Book of Common Worship (2018)*. Music is reprinted under Onelicense.net: A.713926.

Pentecost Offering

The *Pentecost Offering* unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world.

- 40% is retained by congregations to support work with at-risk children, youth and young adults in their local community.
- 50% supports ministries with youth and young adults.
- 10% supports child advocacy/children at risk.

~Celebrations and Concerns of the Congregation ~

Celebrations:

Laura Rhyne Gulley (nickname Rosie) was born on May 30th in Durham to **Rhyne** and **Elizabeth Gulley**. Proud grandparents are **Libby** and **Dub Gulley**, and big sister is **Charlee**.

We remember in prayer:

<i>Tony Brown</i>	<i>Dennis Buckley</i>	<i>Paul Cornsweet</i>	<i>Sam Crabtree</i>
<i>Susan Cyr</i>	<i>Kerry Holbrook</i>	<i>Michael Honeycutt</i>	<i>Lee House</i>
<i>Ann Huff</i>	<i>Chris James</i>	<i>Jenni James</i>	<i>Mitzi Leshner-Thomas</i>
<i>Jen McGonigle</i>	<i>Madge McKeithen</i>	<i>Harriett Mitchell</i>	<i>Kathryn Murchison</i>
<i>Franzi Rokoske</i>	<i>Keith Rokoske</i>	<i>Alfred Tisdale</i>	<i>Phyllis Verhey</i>

Care Communities

Croasdaile Pavilion: **Dub Gulley, Harvey Estes**

Hillcrest Convalescent: **Carol Wills**

Brookdale Senior Living: **Debbie Mathews**

Durham Ridge: **Phillip Herndon**

Pruitt Health - Durham: **Fred Callaway**

Family and Friends of the Congregation

Julia Allen, grandmother of Amy Wilson

Evan Breyer, grandson of friends of Jo Ann Moore

Francisca Cristobal, relative of Al and Judy Arrowwood

Kim Cummings, father of Drew Cummings

Linda Foster-Momsen, mother of Deborah Momsen-Hudson

Cheryl Fowler, friend of Cheri Reece

Jennifer Hervey, daughter-in-law of Jeanne Hervey

Katie Jackson, wife of Matthew Hirsch

Donna Johnson, mother of Ann Huff

Joyce Neece, sister-in-law of Vernon & Beth Neece.

Martha Neece, sister-in-law of Vernon & Beth Neece

Aaron Pritchard, friend of Kathy Parkins

Tish Rokoske, mother of Keith Rokoske

Wu-Chou Su, father of Claire Su

Larry Todd, friend of Kathy Parkins and Wendy McCorkle

Jim Vacca, father of Jamie Chambliss

280 Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

1 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; come with
 2 We would raise our al - le - lu - ias for the
 3 Come, O Spir - it, dwell a - mong us; give us

Pen - te - cos - tal power; give the church a
 grace of yes - ter - years; for to - mor - row's
 words of fire and flame. Help our fee - ble

strong - er vi - sion; help us face each cru - cial hour.
 un - known path - way, hear, O Lord, our hum - ble prayers.
 lips to praise you, glo - ri - fy your ho - ly name.

Built up - on a firm foun - da - tion, Je - sus Christ, the
 In the church -'s pil - grim jour - ney you have led us
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Three in One: what

Cor - ner - stone, still the church is called to
all the way; still in pres - ence move be -
mys - ter - y! We would sing our loud ho -

mis - sion that God's love shall be made known.
fore us, fire by night and cloud by day.
san - nas now and through e - ter - ni - ty.

As the Wind Song

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C G

1 As the wind song through the trees, as the
2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the

C/G G Em Bm

stir - ring of the breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of
hope that's born a - gain, so it is with the Spir - it of

Am D Em Em/D

God, as the heart made strange-ly warm, as the
God, as the green in the spring, as a

C G/B Am7 D

voice with - in the storm, so it is with the Spir - it of
kite on a string, so it is with the Spir - it of

G Em Bm C

God. Nev - er seen, ev - er known where this wind has
God, mak - ing worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come

G Em Bm Am D

blown bring - ing life, bring - ing power to the world,
true, bring - ing gifts, bring - ing love to the world,

Em Em/D C

as the danc - ing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de -
as the ris - ing of the yeast, as the wine at the

G/B Am7 D G

sire, so it is with the Spir - it of God.
feast, so it is with the Spir - it of God.

Refrain

Ev - ery time I feel the Spir - it mov - ing in my

heart I will pray. Yes, ev - ery time I feel the

Spir - it mov - ing in my heart I will pray. *Fine*

1 Up - on the moun - tain, when my Lord spoke, out of God's
2 Jor - dan Riv - er, chil - ly and cold, it chills the

mouth came fire and smoke. Looked all a-round me, it looked so
bod - y but not the soul. There is but one train up - on this

fine, till I asked my Lord if all was mine.
track. It runs to heav - en and then right back. *to Refrain*

This Week at a Glance!

<p style="text-align: center;">Later Today <i>FPC Art Exhibit through June 15</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">1:30 PM Youth Groups: ASP Training (offsite)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">8:00 PM MnM's Fellowship (via Zoom)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, June 9</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1:30 PM Worship Planning (Pastor's Office)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6:00 PM Personnel Committee (Daye Meeting Room) Property Committee (Room 205)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6:30 PM Service & Mission (Watts-Hill Hall)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7:00 PM Worship and the Arts Committee (via Zoom) Welcome & Belonging Committee (via Zoom)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, June 10</p> <p style="text-align: center;">6:00 PM Things That Matter Book Group (Home of Kathy Parkins)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, June 11</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1:00 PM All Staff Meeting (Daye Meeting Room)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">7:00 PM Choir (Choir Room) Stewardship Committee (Daye Meeting Room)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, June 12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, June 15 <i>Trinity Sunday</i> <i>Newsletter Deadline</i> <i>Father's Day</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">9:45 AM Faith Formation (Classes available for children and adults.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">11:00 AM Worship, Mindy Douglas, preaching</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MnM's will not meet this evening.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday, June 13</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, June 14</p>	

CHURCH STAFF

Shakira Bethea, Church Administrator
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Mindy Douglas, Pastor/Head of Staff
Susan Dunlap, Parish Associate
Omar Guess, Sr., Sunday Morning Sexton



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Esther Hethcox, Associate Pastor
Sybil King, Administrative Assistant
Kathy Parkins, Minister of Music
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(Medical Leave)

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