



PENTECOST SUNDAY

Providence
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
“Where Life and Faith Connect”

Sunday, May 24, 2026

WELCOME!

Please silence your phone before worship.

SUMMER WORSHIP AT PROVIDENCE

The Wiggle Room is located just outside the Sanctuary if you would like a more private space for you and your child. You can view a live stream of the worship service from the Wiggle Room.

Busy Boards with crayons, paper, and small toys are available in the Sanctuary for children to use during worship.

10:00 am: Summer Worship, Sanctuary

A fully staffed nursery for infants and young children through Pre-K is available in Room 200.

11:00 am: Summer Fellowship, Taylor Hall

Join church friends for fellowship and light refreshments.

Worship is live streamed and recorded for future viewing. See the "Watch" page at providencechurch.org.

The Sanctuary is equipped with Assistive Hearing Technology.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION will resume on September 20.

Breakfast & Bible Study

For youth in 7th grade and above.

Grades 4-6 Sunday School

For children in grades 4th-6th.

Godly Play

For children 4 years old to 3rd grade.

May 24, 2026

Day of Pentecost

Gathering

PRELUDE

“Materna”
Jane Kaye, organ

–Arr. Charles Callahan

CHIMES

WELCOME

Rev. Matt Baker

INTROIT

“Love Divine,
All Loves Excelling”
The Sanctuary Choir

–R.H. Pritchard

CALL TO WORSHIP

Maribeth Luftglass

One: We gather in this place, some empty, some filled, some whole, some broken:

All: yearning for the Holy Spirit to fill us.

One: We come, with these ordinary people, who have shown us the way:

All: trusting that God will continue to illumine our hearts.

One: We surround the Table of grace so we might be fed by the Bread of life:

All: that graced, we may serve others; that healed, we may bring hope to the world.

***HYMN #280** (Purple)

“Come, O Spirit,
Dwell Among Us”
(Lyrics on page 6.)

EBENEZER

CALL TO CONFESSION

Maribeth Luftglass

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Time for silent and personal confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

***RESPONSE** (Purple #240)

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Word

FIRST READING

Genesis 11:1-9
(Text on page 8.)

Maribeth Luftglass

ANTHEM

"Hymn of the Spirit"
The Sanctuary Choir
(Lyrics on page 13.)

–Russell Nagy

SECOND READING

Acts 2:1-8
(Text on page 9.)

Rev. Baker

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Talking Past Each Other"

Rev. Baker

***HYMN #307** (Purple)

"God of Grace
and God of Glory"
(Lyrics on page 6.)

CWM RHONDDA

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison)

Paige Bach

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of

salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Paige Bach

The Lord's Prayer (debts)

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Paige Bach

(Please place your tithes & offerings in the basket at the rear of the Sanctuary.)

***DOXOLOGY** (Purple #608)

PRAISE GOD

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Paige Bach

Sending

***HYMN #310** (Purple)

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"
(Lyrics on page 7.)

ST. THOMAS

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Baker

(Please remain standing unless otherwise directed.)

***RESPONSE**

"Love Divine,
All Loves Excelling"
The Sanctuary Choir

—R.H. Pritchard

POSTLUDE

"I Vow to Thee, My Country"
"Jupiter" from "The Planets"
Jane Kaye, organ

—Gustav Holst

*Please stand.

HYMN #280 Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us EBENEZER

1 Come, O Spirit, dwell among us;
come with Pentecostal power;
give the church a stronger vision;
help us face each crucial hour.
Built upon a firm foundation,
Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone,
still the church is called to mission
that God's love shall be made known.

2 We would raise our alleluias
for the grace of yesteryears;
for tomorrow's unknown pathway,
hear, O Lord, our humble prayers.
In the church's pilgrim journey
you have led us all the way;
still in presence move before us,
fire by night and cloud by day.

3 Come, O Spirit, dwell among us;
give us words of fire and flame.
Help our feeble lips to praise you,
glorify your holy name.
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
Three in One: what mystery!
We would sing our loud hosannas
now and through eternity.

HYMN #307 God of Grace and God of Glory CWM RHONDDA

1 God of grace and God of glory,
on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient church's story;
bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!

From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

3 Cure thy children's warring madness;
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

4 Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore.
Let the gift of thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.

HYMN #310 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord ST. THOMAS

1 I love thy kingdom, Lord,
the house of thine abode,
the church our blest Redeemer saved
with his own precious blood.

2 I love thy church, O God.
Her walls before thee stand,
dear as the apple of thine eye,
and graven on thy hand.

3 For her my tears shall fall;
for her my prayers ascend;
to her my cares and toils be given,
till toils and cares shall end.

4 Beyond my highest joy
I prize her heavenly ways:
her sweet communion, solemn vows,
her hymns of love and praise.

5 Sure as thy truth shall last,
to Zion shall be given
the brightest glories earth can yield,
and brighter bliss of heaven.

Genesis 11:1-9

The Tower of Babel

11 Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. **2** And as they migrated from the east,^[a] they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. **3** And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and fire them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone and bitumen for mortar. **4** Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." **5** The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. **6** And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. **7** Come, let us go down and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." **8** So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. **9** Therefore it was called Babel,^[b] because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth, and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

Acts 2:1-8

The Coming of the Holy Spirit

2 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. **2** 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. **3** Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. **4** All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

5 Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. **6** And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. **7** Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" **8** And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?

Announcements

LAY READER(S): Maribeth Luftglass

WELCOMING DEACON(S): Danna Rosenberry (10:00 am)

AV OPERATOR: Ray Monroe

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL are to the glory of God.

Reverend Mary Rodgers is on medical leave. Thank you for your prayers. She appreciates your cards and text. While she may not be able to respond individually, please know she reads each one of them. Thank you for helping her stay connected in her absence.

Parting is such sweet sorrow...

But a party makes it better!

Let's celebrate Gene and Jane Kaye! On Sunday, June 14, we will gather after worship to celebrate the Kayes' many years of service to Providence and their upcoming retirement.



See the SignUpGenius to RSVP and to indicate your food contribution to the festivities: <https://bit.ly/4tULhaB>.

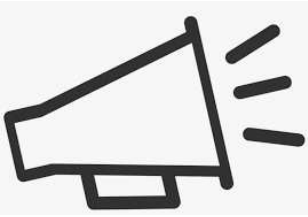
Congratulations to the Graduates of 2026

Let's celebrate their accomplishments!

Send details by May 24 to
office@providencechurch.org

- Earned degree
- Future plans
- Photo





Call for Congregational Meeting Today, Sunday, May 24

Immediately after summer worship
For the purpose of electing new officers

Slate Put Forth by the Nominating Committee:

Slate of Ruling Elders:

Linda Wood (three-year term, class of 2029)
Chris Hagner (three-year term, class of 2029)
Rob Prunty (two-year term, class of 2028)
Paige Legenhausen (two-year term, class of 2028)
Anna Jullian (one-year term, class of 2027)
Jane Prosperi (one-year term, class of 2027)

Slate of Deacons:

Jennifer Lewis-Cooper (three-year term, class of 2029)
Sharon Miller (three-year term, class of 2029)
Carolyn Ericson (two-year term, class of 2028)
George Minde (two-year term, class of 2028)
Carmen Santiago (one-year term, class of 2027)
David Nebhut (one-year term, class of 2027)

Slate of Nominating Committee Members:

Kyle Durbin (two-year term, class of 2028)
Ann Westlake (two-year term, class of 2028)

Communion Care

June

Please provide:

An hour of your time!



Help the Food Pantry Reach More People

The Food Pantry team needs your help to reach more people who need food. During June, in order to expand its reach, the Food Pantry will be open each Thursday evening from 6:00 to 7:30 pm.

Instead of donating food this month, please consider volunteering an hour of your time.

Prior experience is not necessary; you will be paired with an experienced volunteer. As clients arrive at the church, you simply provide them with bags of groceries that are already packed and ready to go. That's it!

To help, email Kathy Hermann (kathy.hermann@verizon.net) or Mary Jo Kavjian (maryjokavjian@gmail.com) or fill out the form below and drop it in the offering basket. Thank you!

I can help on: ____ June 18, ____ June 25

Name: _____

Email: _____

SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATIONS MAY 17 – JUNE 14

Together, we can help Webster Springs students start the school year ready to learn!



3 WAYS TO DONATE:

1



DROP OFF DONATIONS

Drop donations off in the big yellow box in the narthex.

2



GIVE FINANCIALLY

Drop a donation earmarked for school supplies in the offering plate or via Realm.

3



PURCHASE VIA AMAZON REGISTRY

ANTHEM

Hymn of the Spirit

Come, Holy One, your will with me be done, make my every impulse one with my Lord. Drive out the stubborn love of wickedness, and create in me a heart for His Word. From the world's iniquity rescue me. Grant me ears that will hear you when you call. Spirit Divine, my sinful heart refine, let your grace and mercy shine over all.

Come Holy Fire, our fearful hearts inspire with the courage to desire what you will. Conquer our cowering timidity and triumphantly your purpose fulfill. Make us joyful to proclaim Jesus' name. Teach our tongues to be silent when they should vanquish our shame, and holy zeal inflame to bring glory to His name as You would.

Come counselor, resplendent in wisdom and mercy, teach us to trust Thee, lead us to love Thee. Come Comforter, be poured out in us as we serve Thee. Guide us into truth that we may be truly free.

Come Holy One, your will with me be done. Make my every impulse one with my Lord. Drive out the stubborn love of wickedness and create in me a heart for His Word. Sing the praises of our God evermore. Sing the praise of the Father and the Son. Come as we laud you, Spirit of God, in the praises of Thee, wholly One.

This Week at Providence

Sunday, May 24

- Day of Pentecost
- Summer Worship and Fellowship begin
- Congregational Meeting–Following Worship, Sanctuary
- Children’s Choir–11:00 am, Room 202

Monday, May 25

- Memorial Day–Office closed

Tuesday, May 26

- Property Committee Meeting–7:30 pm, Parlor

Wednesday, May 27

- Food Pantry is open–12:00-2:00 pm

Thursday, May 28

- Providence Singers Rehearsal–6:45 pm, Parlor
- Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal–7:45 pm, Sanctuary

Sunday, May 31

- Graduation Sunday
- 456ers–3:30 pm, Bowl America Fairfax

Summer Fellowship on May 31

Treats provided by families Afungchu to Campagna
Set-up by Next Gen Ministry and Food Truck Hangout

HOW TO GET ANNOUNCEMENTS INTO THE BULLETIN: Announcements submitted to the office **by Monday** will appear in Providence communications for the Sunday immediately following. Items received after Monday will run the following Sunday.

HOW TO GET PRAYER REQUESTS INTO THE BULLETIN: Prayer requests and updates can be submitted to office@providencechurch.org at any time and will be included as soon as possible.

EVENTS are subject to change. For the latest go to <https://www.providencechurch.org/events/calander/>



Prayer List ~ May 24, 2026

We continue to offer prayers for Rev. Mary Rodgers, who is on medical leave.

Bereavement

***Martie McDowall**, on the death of her son, Doug Martin

Elly Brtva, on the death of her brother, Stephan Ardan

The family of Julia Blackwell

In Hospice Care

Eleanor Branch, aunt of Mark Miller

Undergoing Treatment

Jackson McClellan, nephew of Jane Proseri

Mary Burke, friend of Cecelia Porter

Ed Whiting, friend of Bill and Susan Flood

Darlene Lane

Lily, age two, student at Providence Nursery School

Jennifer Dirscherl, daughter of Martie McDowall

Esa and **Lauren**, friends of Kathy Dutke

Carol Kaiserian, sister-in-law of Mary Jo Kavjian

Clint K., **Linda L.** & **Pam B.**, friends of Susan McCannell

Caroline Wheatley, young friend of Rhoda Waters

Terrie McClure, sister of Maribeth Luftglass

Mary Wire, sister of Jennifer Lewis-Cooper's sister-in-law

Richard Mudd

Chuck Rivenbark & **Faith Perkins**, friends of Kate Zander

Kara Owen, family friend of Rhoda Waters

Continuing Care

Nancy Evans & Bob Arnold, sister and brother-in-law of Sara Bennett

Janice Barrett Evans, mother of Sara Bennett

Virginia Holian, friend of David & Brenda Kepley

Pete, friend of Jim Durbin

Nancy Jones

Bill & Elsie Hamilton, father & mother of Chloe Hamilton

Martyn Cusworth, brother-in-law of Lesley McKeever

Zachary Hasley, friend of Toni Medwedeff

Lucille Daly, cousin of Paul Krumhaus

Jim Saros, brother of Niki Gamble

An asterisk () indicates that someone is new to the prayer list or that their listing has changed.*



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CHURCH HOURS

Sunday: 9:30 am to 12:30 pm
Monday - Friday: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Please ring the doorbell for assistance.



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