<u>St. Peter's</u> <u>United Church of Christ</u>



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Sunday, May 31st, 2020 - Online Service

Prelude

Bev Junker (Piano)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Pastor: Let us share together in a profession of faith, affirming our love for God and for one another in Christian unity.

ALL: We believe in Jesus of Nazareth, shown to be from God by his signs and power, handed over to us in the plan of God, crucified by our sinful hands.

> We believe in Jesus Christ, raised by God from the dead, freeing him from death's power: for death could not hold him.

We believe in Jesus the Exalted, ascended to the right hand of God, who received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit, and has poured this Spirit on his people.

We believe, we repent, we receive God's forgiveness. We believe, we rejoice, we receive God's Holy Spirit. Amen.

Opening Prayer	Openii	ng Praver	
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Pastor Kyle

Worship in Song	"Stand Up and Bless the	Lord"		
Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer				
Song of Response	"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"			
Scripture Reading	Acts 2:	1-16, 22-24, 36-41		
<u>Sermon</u>	"The Birthday of the Church"	Pastor Kyle		
Closing Song	"Let Every Christian Pray"			

Sharing in the Benediction

Pastor: Holy Spirit, fill us up.

People: Give us strength, give us power

- Pastor: Holy Spirit, fill us up.
- People: Make us one, sisters and brothers.

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- People: Give us strength to share your truth.
- Pastor: Holy Spirit, fill us up.
- People: Send us out, to live for you. Amen.

<u>Sharing in Joy</u>

Minnie Pfingsten – celebrated her 100th birthday May 26th,

<u>Please Remember in Prayer</u>

Gary Ekhoff – prayers for healing, Gene Sievers – prayers for healing, Delores Shimmin (mother of Rhonda McKinstry) – prayers for healing, James Caton – prayers for healing, Delores Caton – prayers for healing, Reverend Frank Hoss – prayers for healing and peace, Melissa Mort – prayers for healing, Carter Fortin – prayers for healing, Mason Beseke – prayers for healing, Austin Delaney (Great Grandson of Clifford & Ethel Zimmerman) – prayers for healing, and all of God's children seeking comfort, peace, and love.

And our shut-ins:

Pauline Mitchell, Mabel Phebus, Louise Sievers, Minnie Pfingsten, Mary Cirks, Mildred Katz

Scripture Reading – Acts 2:1-16, 22-24, 36-41 (NIV)

2 When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues^[a] as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,¹⁰ ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" ¹²Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

Peter Addresses the Crowd

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵These people are

not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

²² "Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. ²³ This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men,^[4] put him to death by nailing him to the cross. ²⁴ But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

³⁶ "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah."

³⁷When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

³⁹ Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

⁴⁰ With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹ Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day

<u>On-Site Worship to Resume</u>

We are excited to announce that we will resume on-site worship services again beginning Sunday, June 7th.

Two services will be offered to try to maintain smaller gatherings. They will be at 9 am and 10:30 am.

Each service will be one-half hour in length.

Please see the church website for more information. Guidelines for those attending and how we're preparing for a safe environment will be listed. Additionally, letters will be mailed out with the information encouraging congregants to follow social distancing regulations.

We will continue to provide online worship service via facebook live (at 9 am and 10:30) and the services will be posted on YouTube and our church website later that day if you are unable to join us live.

SUMMER VIRTUAL/ONLINE BIBLE SCHOOL

The Christian Education Team is excited to announce a unique and fun-filled virtual Vacation Bible School for July 21-30.

Children of all ages will be able to register soon and more information will be presented about this summer's program titled: God Rocks: Faith, Hope, and Love.

Stay tuned for more information and get excited to share in this summer's VBS.