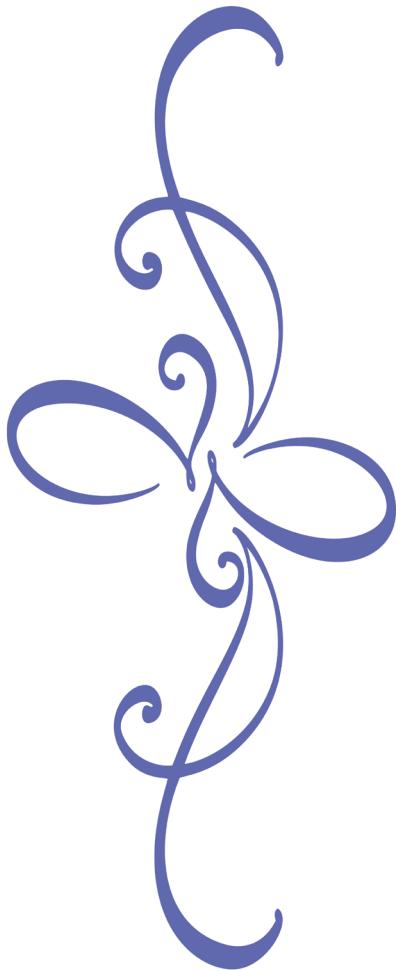


# Service for the Lord's Day

Pentecost  
June 9, 2019



*The Creator loves pizzazz.  
Annie Dillard  
Pilgrim at Tinker Creek*



Welcome visitors, newcomers, and friends worshipping with us today! Feel free to take a *Welcome to Westminster* pamphlet from the pew rack. We hope you will worship with us again, whenever possible. If you're interested in joining our church community, please speak to a pastor after worship or contact the church office, 434-293-3133.

## Preparing to Hear God's Word

Opening Voluntary

*Allegro from Organ Concerto #15*

Johann Gottfried Walther

- ◆ Call to Worship

*We are gathered in this place to call upon the name of the Lord:*

**Come, Holy Spirit!**  
*who comes to us in breath,*  
*who visits us from the throne of heaven,*  
*who opens our eyes to new visions,*  
*and sets us aflame with amazement and joy.*  
**Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

Hearing and Experiencing the Word

Acts 2:1-21

*As the text is read, we ask that you follow the worship leaders in front and in the aisles and participate by:*

- *Making sounds like a rushing wind*
- *Speaking aloud a word or words from this list:*

spirit	espiritu	anemos
viento	love	agape
amour	hesed	peace
pacem	shalom	salaam

- *Repeating the following:*  
 Railroad Side:      **What does this mean?**  
 Arcade side:        **They are filled with new wine.**
- *Waving small red streamers*

- ◆ Hymn 319

Spirit

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Without your power, Mighty God, we are lost.**

**We have done the things we should avoid, and what you desire, we have not done.**

**By your purifying fire, transform our lives.**

**Lead us out of our fear and guide us into honesty and compassion**

**so that, filled with your peace,**

**our dreams and visions may be one with yours.**

## Silent Prayers

### Sung Response

No. 322

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;  
 Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
 Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.  
 Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

### Assurance of Pardon

*By the power in whom we live and move and have our being,  
 I pronounce to you the complete forgiveness of all your sins, through the holy Trinity,  
 one God, whose mercy is everlasting.*

Thanks be to God. Amen.

### ◆ Sung Response

HS No. 84

Through north and south and east and west  
 May God's immortal name be blessed:  
 Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Till everywhere beneath the sun,  
 God's reign begins, God's will is done:  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### ◆ Sharing of the Peace

*The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.*

### Announcements for the Church and Community

## God's Word to Us

Psalter	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	OT pg. 525
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Old Testament Lesson	Genesis 11:1-9	OT pg. 8
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Sermon	God's Big Plan	Lynne Clements
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### ◆ Affirmation of Faith

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.

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.

- ◆ Hymn 294

Wherever I May Wander

*New England*

Prayers of the Congregation and the Lord's Prayer

hymnal, pg. 16

### The Offering

#### Offertory

#### *Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me*

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;  
Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;  
And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;  
And, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;  
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;  
And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;  
And, with actions lovingly, speak Christ's sincerity.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;  
Show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee;  
Separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good,  
And whatever I can be give gladly unto thee.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;  
Help me now thy power to see, I would be like thee;  
Against all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;  
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.

arranged by K. Lee Scott  
words by Thomas Lynch

- ◆ Doxology

No. 591

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

- ◆ Prayer of Dedication

God of all mercies,  
we give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving kindness.  
Receive these gifts of gratitude and the offerings of our lives;  
purify them with your refining fire so that they may serve your purposes  
and shine with your glory; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

- ◆ Hymn 132

Come, Great God of All the Ages

*Abbot's Leigh*

- ◆ Charge and Benediction

Closing Voluntary

*Fantasia in A*

Georg Philip Telemann

- ◆ Please stand, as you are able.

*The flowers today are given in memory of D. Nelson Limber by Marian Limber.*

**Hearing Enhancement** – Westminster is equipped with personal hearing assistance devices for use by our worshippers. These are available in the narthex, to be checked out from the ushers before services. Our sanctuary is equipped with “T-coil” technology.

**Large-Print** versions of the bulletin, *The Presbyterian Hymnal*, and our own *Hymnal Supplement* are available for use during the service. If you would like to use any of these large print copies, please ask an usher.

**Children and Worship** – Families are encouraged to worship together, whenever possible. We strive to include children who are first graders and older in our worship service. Children’s pew Bibles, children’s bulletins, and worship bags are available from the ushers. A “comfort room” is available downstairs for those with small children who might need a place to rest or play. A speaker in that room makes it possible to hear the service.

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## Participants in Worship

### Guest Organist

Diane Kingsbury

### Ushers

Jim Cauthen (head)

Linda Seaman

Rick Seaman

### Sound Engineer

Elton Oliver

### Deacon of the Day

Betsy Bloom

### Lay Readers

Dan Heuchert

Barry Parks

Bill McBride

Margo Hamilton

Sheila Hazen

### Fellowship Team

Pat Delany

Dana Eastman

### Choir Director

Dana Patek

### Worship Participants

Judy Dunscomb

Kobby Hoffman

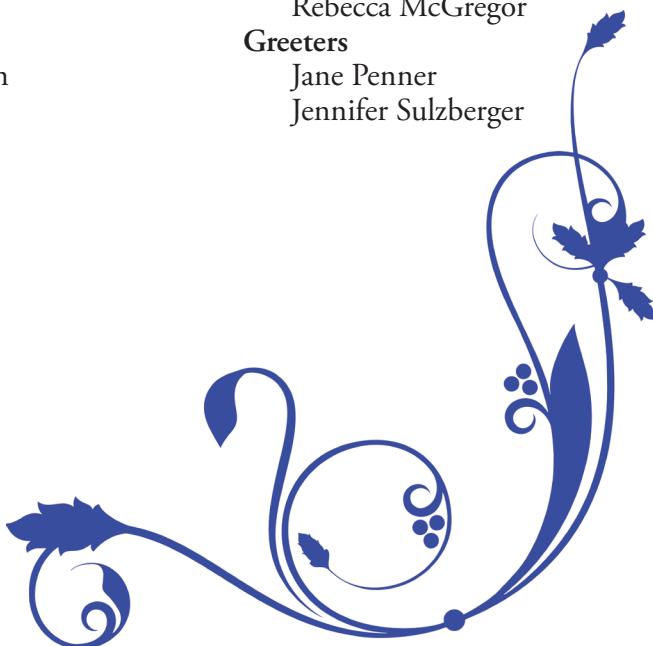
Carolyn Brown

Rebecca McGregor

### Greeters

Jane Penner

Jennifer Sulzberger



# Coming Up

## Sunday, June 9

9 a.m. Pick Up Choir  
 10 a.m. Pentecost Worship  
 11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour  
 11:15 a.m. Session Meeting,  
 library

## Friday, June 14

10 a.m. Memorial Service for  
 Chip Sanders

## Saturday, June 15

2 p.m. Memorial Service for  
 Walter Wadlington at  
 Westminster Canterbury  
 of the Blue Ridge

## Sunday, June 16

10 a.m. Worship  
 11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour



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## WESTMINSTER NEWS & EVENTS

**Today we celebrate Pentecost**, the fiftieth day after Easter.

“According to the Day of Pentecost story in Acts 2, God gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to empower witnesses to the resurrection. Sounds from heaven, [diverse] languages, the rush of a mighty ruach (Heb. wind, spirit, breath) invaded the house in which the apostles gathered, and appeared to them as a burning fire. Tongues of fire touched their nerve centers. A power — the unseen power of God — moved among them and gripped them. On the Day of Pentecost, we celebrate God’s gift of Holy Spirit which draws us together as one people, helps us to comprehend what God is doing in the world, and empowers us to show and tell neighbors about God’s [big] plan for a world of diversity, compassion, and peace.”

from the *Companion to the Book of Common Worship*  
 Geneva Press, 2003, 117-119

Everyone who joined Westminster in 2018 or 2019 is invited to a **Potluck Dinner** on Saturday, June 22, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the library. This is a great chance for you to get to know those who are new to Westminster. The next day, Sunday, June 23, we’ll celebrate our latest class of new members in worship at 10 a.m.

**A Little Summer Music** - On Thursday, June 27, at 7:30 p.m. you are invited to be part of a concert at Westminster. We need performers of all ages and abilities to create this unique evening of music for our community. Following the performance, there will be ice cream served in the courtyard. This is a fun opportunity to share your talents and enjoy fellowship. Contact Dana Patek, [patekfamiliy@me.com](mailto:patekfamiliy@me.com), if you have questions and to get your name in the program.

An **Environmental Forum** sponsored by Westminster’s Green Team will be held at 11:15 a.m. on Sunday, June 23, 2019 in the library. The focus of the forum is to present opportunities for environmental advocacy at the local and state levels. Speakers include Claire Habel, Charlottesville Climate Collaborative (C3), [www.cvilleclimate.org](http://www.cvilleclimate.org), and a representative from Virginia Interfaith Power & Light, [vapl.org/about-us](http://vapl.org/about-us). Discussion will be moderated by Peter Gates. All are welcome.

**Sabbatical Leave** - Megan and Jonathan will be on sabbatical until August 27. During that time, they will be visiting family, working in their yard, attending the Montreat worship and music conference in North Carolina, and traveling to Oxford, England with Zephyrus as the visiting choir at Christ Church Cathedral. If you have musical questions, please contact music committee chair, Nadine Roddy, through the church office.