

# WILLOW CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JUNE 8TH, 2025 | PENTECOST | 10:00AM



## OUR APPROACH TO GOD

*Come, celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ with us! All are invited to sing and pray and participate in liturgy.*

IF YOU ARE ABLE, WE INVITE YOU TO HONOR GOD BY STANDING.

PRELUDE

SPIRIT OF GOD, DESCEND UPON MY HEART  
Elizabeth O'Leary, Piano

FREDERICK ATKINSON, 1870

WELCOME AND SHARING

REV. LAUREN PATRUS-BETZEL

CALL TO WORSHIP - LITANY FOR PENTECOST

LON CLARK

Holy Spirit, Creator, in the beginning you moved over the waters. From your breath all creation drew life. Without you, life turns to dust. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Counselor, by your inspiration, the prophets spoke and acted in faith. You clothed them in power to be bearers of your Word. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Power, you came as fire to Jesus' disciples; you gave them voice before the rulers of this world. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, you created us children of God; you make us the living temple of your presence; you intercede within us with sighs too deep for words. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

Holy Spirit, Giver of life, you guide and make holy the church you create; you give gifts - the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and fortitude, the spirit of knowledge and piety, the spirit of fear of the Lord, that the whole creation may be transformed. **Come, Holy Spirit!**

*A brief silence*

True and only Light, from whom comes every good gift:  
**send your Spirit into our lives with the power of a mighty wind. Open the horizons of our minds by the flame of your wisdom. Loosen our tongues to show your praise, for only in your Spirit can we voice your words of peace and acclaim Jesus as Lord. Amen.**

I HYMN #300

WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT

PETER SCHOLTES, 1966

INVITATION TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**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.**

A PERIOD OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON - FROM JOHN 20:22 - 23

Through Christ, God has poured out the Holy Spirit upon us for the forgiveness of sins. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

I GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

I PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the Peace of Christ be with you; **And also with you.**

**INVITATION TO THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

GENESIS 11:1 - 9

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This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

PHILIP P. BLISS

Kathy Clark, Alto

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

*The Ambrose Family: Bryan & Brianne  
Anna and Henry*

NEW TESTAMENT READING

ACTS 2:1 - 13

PASTOR TANYA MUZZARELLI

Holy wisdom, **holy Word.**

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SERMON

"WHAT HAS GOD REVEALED?"

## OUR RESPONSE TO SERVE

### MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

I HYMN #282

COME DOWN, O LOVE DIVINE

BIANCO DA SIENA, 1367; LITLEDALE, 1867; WILLIAMS, 1906

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - AN EXCERPT FROM A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.**

**We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.**

**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!"**

**With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

### CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

IN THE GARDEN

AUSTIN MILES

I DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessing flow; Praise God all creatures here Below;  
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

I PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven, give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors, lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and glory forever. Amen.**

I HYMN #100

MY SOUL CRIES OUT WITH A JOYFUL SHOUT

RORY COONEY, 1990

I CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

SPIRIT, SPIRIT OF GENTLENESS

JAMES MANLEY, 1976

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THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVED TODAY! LITURGIST: LON CLARK  
USHERS: STEVE & DAYLE PAULSON, DON GREENLEE, JAXON GREENLEE

### WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>** 10a Worship, 11a Fellowship  
**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>** 6p Pipe Band & Drums: Lessons & Rehearsals  
**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>** 10a Worship - In the Parking Lot **Bring a Chair!**, 11a Fellowship  
*Father's Day*

**WORSHIP IN THE PARKING LOT** next **Sunday June 15<sup>th</sup>** at 10am! Bring a chair to sit in and enjoy worshipping outside among God's creation!

**WCPC COOKBOOK** The Deacons need recipes of your family favorites and special potluck dishes. Please bring us a copy or email it to [recipes@willowcreekpc.org](mailto:recipes@willowcreekpc.org) by **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Thank you!

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: IS GOD A FARMER?**

**June 23<sup>rd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> (Monday - Thursday) 9am - 12pm**

Join us for an exciting, fun-filled week where children will experience God's Word through fun-filled activities. Each day children will participate in songs, a Bible lesson, crafts, games, and a mission project. A snack will also be provided. We welcome any kids Preschool through 6<sup>th</sup> grade to join us as we ask the question: "*Is God a Farmer?*" Registration is \$10 for the week with a \$30 family maximum. Registration forms are available outside the Church Office door and in the Fellowship Hall.

**AG DAY IN ARGYLE** Friday June 27<sup>th</sup> 5pm - 7pm Join us for fun with animals, farm equipment, and more!

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***"A Faith Community, Growing Together, Sharing the love of Christ"***

### **MINISTERS: ALL MEMBERS OF THE BODY OF CHRIST**

For more information about our staff and volunteers, visit our website.

The Church Office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30a - 3p. If you'd like to set up a time to visit Pastor Lauren or Pastor Tanya, please reach out to the Church Office.

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