

Come!

On this Holy Spirit Day, let this be our prayer:

Come!

The Spirit will come, as and when the Spirit will come.

We cannot dictate, prescribe or predict the Spirit.

We know only that we need the Spirit.

We know only that Jesus promises us the Spirit.

We know only that the church is not the church
without the Spirit.

And, if we are to be the church, the Spirit will come.

This is all we know, and it is enough.

So let us pray: Come!

Resist the temptation to dictate terms,
prescribe a process,
predict a direction.

Fight the urge to ask for more and better
of what has already been, what we already know,
what is safe and comfortable.

Prepare to be surprised.

Be ready to shock our neighbours.

Expect only to do what we have never done before.

Then,

we'll be ready to pray:

Come!

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Pentecost



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 19, 2013

Pentecost

Please stand at items marked * if you are able.
Passages in **Bold Print** are to be spoken in Unison
Organ Prelude – Hymn and Quiet Reflection

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Bert Vancook

Pianist - Carol Wehrstedt Music Director- Kendall House

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Introit

* Entry of the Bible

Call to Worship

* Hymn: *Spirit of God, descend* #382

Opening Prayer:

O light and life in the face of Christ, Fire that brings the Word, Fire of silence and light; Fire filling our hearts with thanksgiving; we give you praise.

You who rested on Jesus, Spirit of knowledge and wisdom, Spirit of counsel and strength, Spirit of love and awe, we give you praise.

You in whom we reach the depths of God, You who give light to our hearts, Spirit praying within us, Spirit in whom we reflect the glory of God, we give you praise.

Deepen our worship and our lives, we pray through Jesus who prays for us. (the Hengrave community)

Assurance of Pardon

Exchanging the Peace of Christ

Music

* Hymn: *Spirit, Spirit of gentleness* #399
(Children come to the front during the last verse)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation

Lead me, Lord, lead me in your righteousness; make your way plain before my face; for it is you, and you, God only, who makes me to dwell in safety

Bible Readings:

Romans 8: 14-17	P. 158	N.T.
Psalms 104: 24-34	P. 555 & 556	O.T.
John 20: 19-23	P. 115	N.T.

Gloria

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* Hymn: *Breathe on me, breath of God*

#389

Sermon

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

* Offertory Response 830

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above, you heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of Dedication

These gifts symbolize our work, O God, offered in faith to you. Take our small gifts and graces, our frail lives and hopeful hearts. Expand all our offerings, that the heavens may pour down a blessing upon all people. We ask in Jesus' name.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (debtsdebtors)

* Hymn: *Arise, your light is come* # 712

Blessing

Response: Sing amen #264.

Reminder - Next week's Sunday service will be lead Susan Mattinson as she preaches a call to the congregation. An informal chance to meet Susan will occur in the church basement after the service. Please make all attempts to attend.

Prayer Concerns:

Marie Huffman (Roseview)
and her granddaughter, Bronwyn

Emile Chiasson

Douglas Anderson



Summer 2013 Camp Donations

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Please write your name beside what you would be able to provide.

Please bring food, monetary or craft supply donations to the Church Office. Deadline anytime up to June 23rd so we can get the donations to St Andrews the week of June 24th. Thank you.



Pres-B-Camp is fast approaching! Pres-B-Camp is a week long overnight camp for those entering grade 4 to grade 9 in Sept. This year's camp will be held July 5th-11th. Registration forms are available in the church office.. The early registration deadline is June 1st. We are also looking for a couple more counsellors and people to transport supplies to and from the camp if anyone is interested in volunteering.



WEDDING OF PREZENA HTOO AND DAY PA RAY

May 25, 2013 at 11:00 am

Everyone invited

Upcoming Events at First

Tues. May 21st	- Mission Study: Food Security	- 1:15 pm
Thurs., May 23rd	- Bible Study - Choir Practice	- 10 am - 7 pm
Fri., May 24th	- Crafts & Conversation	- 1 pm

Thank you this week to:

Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving

Lay Reader: Janet Racey

Fellowship Time: Gale & Don Munn and Marlene Mottys

Elevator Operator: Russ Brown

Offering Counting: Ruth George, Betty Ann Burn, Beth Workman

Offering Collection: Russ Brown, Don Munn, Joyce Nystrom, Janet Taylor

Visiting: Betty Irving and Leslie Shaw

Next week's volunteers: May 26th

Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving

Lay Reader: Leslie Shaw

Fellowship Time: Don & Leslie Murray

Elevator Operator: Doug Brown

Offering Counting: Joyce Nystrom and Brenda Snowdon Seabrook

Offering Collection: Russ Brown, Don Munn, Joyce Nystrom, Janet Taylor

Visiting: Betty Irving and Leslie Shaw

National Women's gathering on human trafficking

June 21-23 in Winnipeg

Registration due May 31st.

Information on Mission bulletin board.

Come and celebrate with us and make a difference in Sierra Leone!

CanSerra Organization (Former Friends of Mabureh), is hosting its 4th annual African Dinner at the First Presbyterian Church on Saturday June 8, 2013, at 6pm.

Tickets are \$15. Thanks for your support!

If anyone is interested in planting in the Church vegetable garden please contact Linda Rydholm at 577-9260.