

THE PIPER



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*The Altar Flowers are dedicated to honor the preservation of our beautiful planet on World Environment Day*

Readings

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Romans 8:14-17

John 14:8-17 [25-27]

TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, JUNE 4

10:00 am Zumba

5:00 pm Outdoor Worship w/Communion & Baptism

SUNDAY, JUNE 5

CONFIRMATION

8:15 am Worship w/Communion

9:30 am Outdoor Worship w/Communion

10:45 am Worship w/Communion

TUESDAY, JUNE 7

5:00 pm Trinity Wheelmen

5:30 pm Executive Team Meeting

5:45 pm Zumba

THURSDAY, JUNE 9

5:45 pm Zumba

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

10:00 am Zumba

5:00 pm Outdoor Worship w/Communion

SUNDAY, JUNE 12

8:15 am Worship w/Communion

9:30 am Outdoor Worship w/Communion

10:45 am Worship w/Communion

NEED HELP WITH ENGLISH?

WE ARE HERE TO HELP!



Classes and Tutoring

Everyday Language  
Workplace English  
Health Literacy  
TOEFL Prep  
Citizenship

3 classes (2 sessions/ week each)

or

2 tutoring sessions/week

\$195

*Need-based assistance is available*

Summer Semester

June 6 - July 29

PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES

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Mid-State Literacy Council

We welcome, by way of infant baptism,

Kylie Rose Schoenauer

this Saturday, June 4, 2022, at the 5:00 pm outdoor service

Her parents are Amber & Mark Schoenauer and her sister is Kameryn.

Sponsors are:

Robin & Bruce Irwin

Mark & Amy Trunbore

BAPTISM

We have 2 young people being  
confirmed this week at the  
9:30 Outdoor Worship service  
June 5, 2022

**Lacey Sheaffer**

daughter of Lena & Scott Sheaffer

**Gavin Humphrey**

son of Stephen Humphrey & Tory Jenkins

Please help us as we celebrate with them.

There will be a reception after the  
9:30 worship service



# From the Bishop's Office



## A Message on The Festival of Pentecost from the Office of the Bishop

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

If you remember the story of Pentecost, lots of people were gathered together in one place to celebrate harvest and without any notice a loud, rushing wind came from the sky and set their hair on fire!—not literally, but it looked like that was the case. And, as if that wasn't enough, the people began to speak in languages they did not know. People were confused and probably a bit scared. Some thought the babbling people were just drunk, but Peter set them straight about what was happening by telling them this fantastical event was the fulfillment of the promise that Jesus would be with them always through the power of the Holy Spirit.

That amazing day became the birthday of what we now call the church; it is an amazing thing how the Holy Spirit continues to call us together in “one place” and remind us that we are not alone, we are loved and part of a community of believers whose hair also is on fire!

Friends, the fire of the Holy Spirit was poured in you through your baptism. Not only is your hair on fire, but so is your heart, mind and soul. The fire of that first Pentecost continues to burn in you urging you to continue the growth of the church by sharing the love of Christ with others.

I invite you think deeply about the place of the Holy Spirit in your life. Do you have some sense of God working through your words and actions? If you're not sure, perhaps you could do what those first believers did by devoting yourself to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, the breaking of bread and prayer. Few things are more important in the life of faith than remaining open to the Holy Spirit—even when it is confusing and scary.

May your celebration of Pentecost renew in you the confidence of God's eternal and tender love for you.

*“Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ... Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”* Romans 12:9-10, 21

Friends,

Last week was a terribly difficult one in the life of our nation. We watched news reports of 17 children and 2 adults who were killed in their classrooms by an armed gunman in Uvalde, Texas. Conversations about gun violence, mental health and other issues in our deeply divided communities often deteriorate into the demonizing of anyone who disagrees with us.

Our gospel reading last Sunday from John 17 had us listening in to Jesus praying that his followers would be one. I've been pondering that lesson in light of all that has happened and realized there have been very few times in our history we could say we were one. And yet, that is what Jesus prayed for. The Apostle Paul, in his letter to the Romans, pleaded with the Christians there to love each other and to overcome evil with good.

You might be wondering how we can overcome the evil we saw last week with good. The answer comes in a simple, yet often difficult command from Jesus: love one another. The kind of love Christ calls us to is a love that is willing to have hard conversations, a love that is willing to sacrifice our own need to be right and hear the other side, a love that is open to the other, a love that is persistent in its pursuit of what Jesus prayed for: unity. And, friends, unity does not mean uniformity; it means practicing the kind of love Jesus has for us; it means asking tough questions like: What conversations do I need to have to address this division? What might get in the way and how will I overcome that? Or, what do I need to do differently in order to foster unity in my community, congregation or home?

I don't have an easy answer or quick fix to any of this, but I do know that because we are followers of Jesus, striving for the kind of unity he prayed for is something worthy of my time and effort. Know that you are in my prayers as we work together to rebuild a sense of unity and peace.

+Bishop Paula