

John Knox Presbyterian Church

May 24, 2026 Day of Pentecost



Welcome! Please be seated and prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

GATHERING INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Words of Welcome

* Call to Worship

Breath of Life, raise us up.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Wind of Grace, carry us always.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Light of God, show us the way.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Spirit of God, make us one.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Flame of Love, send us forth.

Come, Holy Spirit, come. Alleluia!

* Hymn

“Spirit of God”

#2117

Anna will sing first verse; please join on remaining verses

* Call to Confession

* Unison 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. Amen.

* = Standing as able *Italics* = Leader **Bold** = People

*** Words of Forgiveness**

*** Sung Response**

“Spirit of the Living God”

#288

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

John 20: 19-23

NRSV

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

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

Time with Our Young and Growing Ones

Second Reading

Acts 2: 1-21

NRSV

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

‘In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

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

Sermon

Rev. Maggie Lewis

* **Hymn** "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" #291

RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALL

Church and Community Life

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory "She Comes Sailing on the Wind" *Gordon Light*
Adam and Anna Robinson

* **Sung Response** "We Are An Offering" #710

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People

Response: *Lord, in your mercy hear our prayers.*

The Lord's Prayer

SENDING GOD'S PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

* **Sending Song** "Go in Grace and Make Disciples" #296

* **Charge and Blessing**

Please be seated to enjoy the postlude.

Postlude

*Please join us for Pentecost Pizza and fellowship
in the Social Hall after worship.*

Pastor: Rev. Maggie Lewis

Pianist today: Adam Robinson

Liturgist: Janet Anderson

Music Director: Anna Robinson

Liturgy: Steve Garnaas-Holmes, unfoldinglight.net; Presbyterian Outlook by Teri McDowell Ott

Church and Community Life

PLEASE JOIN US for Pentecost Pizza and fellowship after worship. Thank you to Lee and Mary Jo for hosting this annual tradition.

Next Sunday, we observe Trinity Sunday and how we are charged and inspired to share the good news through our various mission outreaches.

On **June 7**, we will celebrate John Knox's 63rd birthday with Communion and ... gifts! We usually bring gifts to a birthday party, and the mission committee is asking for gifts of large

jars of peanut butter, or money to buy those large jars, so each Backpack Buddy can have a big jar of peanut butter to start their summer.

On **June 14**, we'll recognize and honor our students as they celebrate the end of this school year and a short break before picking up again in the fall.

ONE PLOT is available in the Community Garden. See Mary Jo if you or someone you know is interested.

KEIZER COMMUNITY FOOD BANK The most efficient way to help food banks at this time is to provide cash donations for bulk food purchases of most-needed items. Designate "KCFB" or "Food Bank" and we will route the money to KCFB. The food bank can also use any reusable grocery bags or medium sized boxes. Take them to the food bank on Monday or Wednesday around noon. Volunteers are always needed to serve our hungry neighbors or to help stock shelves when food is received. See the KCFB Facebook page or website at keizercommunityfoodbank.org for more information. You can also donate on-line on their website.

Session Notes

Session met on Wednesday, May 20. We opened with a time of fellowship and prayer. Administration and Mission Committees met earlier in the month, and there were no action items for session. This meeting was primarily an opportunity for information exchange, brainstorming, and calendaring.

Pastor Maggie is on vacation July 5 and July 26. Rev. Steve Hammond will be filling the pulpit.

The next session meeting is a salad potluck on June 18 at noon at the church.

Our summer planning session is July 21 from 10-3.

We adjourned with prayer, grateful for our fellowship and opportunity to work together.

JKPC April 2026 Financial Report

INCOME	Actual	Budget	Year to Date Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Pledges	\$5,620	\$5,915	\$20,265	\$21,470	\$83,680
Offerings	393	417	3,030	1,667	5,000
Misc.	267	708	2,114	2,833	8,500
Christ Jar/ CHP	100	100	331	400	1,200
Building Use	45	100	295	400	1,200
Per Capita	50	200	600	600	600
Food Bank Donations	275	150	675	600	1,800
Backpack B Donations	100	175	400	700	2,100
INC. TOTAL	\$6,850	\$7,765	\$27,710	\$28,670	\$104,080
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$6,724	\$7,251	\$44,094	\$43,039	\$114,375
PROFIT/ <LOSS>	\$126	\$514	<\$16,384)	<\$14,369>	<\$10,295>
<i>Including Investment Income, unrealized loss/gain and fees</i>					
	\$19,187	\$514	<\$3,920>	<\$14,369>	<\$10,295>

From Bronwyn:

We experienced a modest gain of \$126 for April, and met our goal of \$600 for per capita reimbursement. Pledge giving was some \$1,200 below budget; quarterly giving statements may help folks get back on target.

\$1,320 was received and forwarded for the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering. \$452 was received for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance on the first Sunday of Lent, and at the direction of the Mission Committee, it was directed toward Ukraine relief.

Fellowship time continues to be funded through cash donations totaling \$132 through the end of April, plus a one-off gift of \$200.

Praise God for your faith-filled giving!

Looking Ahead

- May birthdays** **May 8: Lee E.** **May 23: Anna R.**
May 25 **Memorial Day**
May 31 **TRINITY SUNDAY**
 10:30 Worship – Mission focus
June 7 **10:30** Worship with Holy Communion
 Celebrating John Knox 63rd birthday (June 6)
 Bring Peanut Butter for Backpack Buddies
June 14 **10:30** Worship
 Honoring our students



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This gathering of JKPC is occurring in the traditional land of the Kalapuya people. We offer our gratitude to the elders, past and present, who have stewarded it through the generations.