

COME HOLY SPIRIT

# PENTECOST



First Congregational Church of  
Tallmadge  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Liturgy for the Celebration of Worship

PENTECOST SUNDAY  
MAY 24, 2026 | 10:00 AM  
Liturgist: Rev. John Phillips

*“No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here.”*

# WELCOME

*The chimes call us to a time of worship*

## Greeting

Liturgist

## Prelude

*“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”* - arr. Burkhardt

Organ: Nancy Lynn Robinson

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## Introit

Leader:

Our help is in the name of the Holy One,

**Congregation:**

**who made heaven and earth.**

Leader:

As we have gathered here to worship,  
let us stand and greet one another in the  
love of Christ.

(Please stand.)

**\* Gathering Song**     *“This Is the Day”*     #652

*This is the day, this is the day  
that the Lord has made,  
that the Lord has made;  
we will rejoice,  
we will rejoice and be glad in it,  
and be glad in it.  
This is the day that the Lord has made;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.  
This is the day,  
this is the day that the Lord has made.*

**\*Call to Worship**                      Liturgist

One: Come Holy Spirit—Speak in a dialect our hearts understand.

**All: Come Holy Spirit—**

One: Bless us with the gifts we need to co-labor towards justice.

**All: Come Holy Spirit—**

One: Make vivid our dreams about the ways of radical care.

**All: Come Holy Spirit— Pour your vitality over our lives.**

**\*Opening Hymn**

*“On Pentecost They Gathered”* vs. 1-2    #334  
(words and music on the following page)



## **\*Opening Prayer** Liturgist

Fiery God, burn down systems of power that demean and destruct! Rage with us like a mighty wind when people are made vulnerable and are not protected! Speak the language of interdependence to our hearts, that we might not be stuck in despair, but empowered towards co-creating the Kin-dom of God. Amen.

## **Special Music** “Be Thou My Vision” - arr. Tucker

Flute Solo: Cindy Dodge

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# **WE LIFT OUR PRAISE & PRAYER TO GOD**

**Naming our Prayers before God**

**Moments of Silent Prayer**

**Intercessory Prayer w/ Lord’s Prayer (using debts/debtors)**

## **HEARING GOD’S WORD FOR THE DAY**

### **Scripture Lesson**

Acts 2:1-21

<sup>1</sup> So When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a

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violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.<sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. <sup>5</sup> Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.<sup>7</sup> Amazed and astonished, they asked, ‘Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.’ <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, ‘What does this mean?’ <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, ‘They are filled with new wine.’ <sup>14</sup> 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. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> “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.

<sup>18</sup> Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup> Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God

**Everyone: THANKS BE TO GOD**

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# **\*Hymn of Preparation**

*"Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow" #333*  
(words and music on the following page)

## **Sermon**

*"Building Blocks: Being Moved" - Rev. Daniel J. Doty*

# **THE OFFERING**

## **Invitation to the Offering**

## **Offertory**

*"Like the Murmur of a Dove's Song" - Cutts/Burkhardt*

Organ: Nancy Lynn Robinson

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(Please stand.)

## **\*Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise God all creatures here below.**

**Praise God above ye heavenly host.**

**Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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# 333 Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow

Em B Em G Em B7 Em B Em B Em Em B  
F# G A G

1 Wind who makes all winds that blow—gusts that bend the sap-lings low,  
 2 Fire who fuels all fires that burn—suns a-round which plan-ets turn,  
 3 Ho-ly Spir-it, Wind and Flame, move with-in our mor-tal frame.

Em B Em G Em B7 Em B Em D G F#dim Em B7 Em  
F# A B

gales that heave the sea in waves, stir-rings in the mind's deep caves—  
 bea-cons mark-ing reefs and shoals, shin-ing truth to guide our souls—  
 Make our hearts an al-tar pyre, kin-dle them with your own fire.

C G C F#dim G D7 G Em B Em D G Bm F#7 Bm  
A

aim your breath with stead-y power on your church this day, this hour.  
 come to us as once you came: burst in tongues of sa-cred flame!  
 Breathe and blow up-on that blaze till our lives, our deeds and ways,

C G G Em Am B Em B7 Em Em Em B7 Em  
B G F# G B

Raise, re-new the life we've lost, Spir-it God of Pen-te-cost.  
 Light and Pow-er, Might and Strength, fill your church, its breadth and length.  
 speak that tongue which ev-ery land by your grace shall un-der-stand.

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 MUSIC: Joseph Parry (1841-1903)  
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## **\*Prayer of Dedication**

Mysterious Spirit, we dedicate our offerings to the ordinary wonders of living—shared meals, shared stories, and shared lives. May simple signs and wonders offer us sustenance in a difficult world. And may the Holy meet us in surprising ways. Amen.

## **WE ARE SENT BY GOD TO BE THE GOOD NEWS**

## **\*Closing Hymn**

“On Pentecost They Gathered” vs. 3-4 #334  
(words and music on page 3)

## **\*Benediction**

## **\*Congregation Response**

“Go now in peace, never be afraid  
God will go with you, each hour of every day.  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.”

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## **Postlude**

“All Glory, Laud and Honor” - Teschner/Burkhardt

Organ: Nancy Lynn Robinson

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# THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH OUR SERVICE TODAY

Tech Team:	Scott Newcomer, Anne Pertick, Ann Hagan
Liturgist:	Rev. John Phillips
Ushers:	Larry Robinson, Dave Marconi, Tom Labay, Ken Caldwell
Greeters:	Janet McCaulley and Carol Kroah

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### NEW MEMBER CLASSES

**Sundays, May 24 and 31**  
**9:00 AM**

First Congregational Church of Tallmadge will offer two membership orientation classes on Sundays, May 24 and 31, at the 9:00am hour before worship. If participants are led to join FCC in membership, the New Member Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Please let the church office know if you are interested. You can email Cathy Cotter, the church's Office Administrator, at [info@fcctallmadge.org](mailto:info@fcctallmadge.org)

### NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

**Sunday, June 7**  
**10:00 AM**

Our new members will join the church during worship. Be sure to attend so that you can welcome them to FCC!

### VBS WORK DAY

**June 16**  
**9:00 AM**

We will be gathering craft items, making name tags, creating the stage, prepping crafts and game items, etc.

### GOD'S RECIPE FOR LIFE VBS

**June 22-25**  
**6:00-8:00 PM**

All kids age 4-grade 5 (on May 1, 2026) should join us for VBS. Register with the link below.

**Registration Link:** <https://forms.gle/GQxJhEbWK1iwhYt7A>

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## THE PRAYER CHAIN CONNECTION

We pray for the names listed below and also for many other church members and their concerns, which remain confidential. You may call or text Diana Caldwell with your prayer concerns @ 330-265-5723. *Bless be God who did not refuse me the kindness I sought in prayer. Psalm*

Brian Allman

Debbie B.

The Becking Family

Katie Ann Bickett

Joyce Bojarski

Margarete Boschert

John Calvarese

Patti Calvarese

Sue Canavan

Jim Caplinger

Mark Clark

Patty Conely

Betty Cottrill

Rylin Davis and family

Jim Divoky

Sean and Sara Doty

Ron Drake

Elaine Engle

Ron Evans

Bonnie Fordham

Darrell Goodson

Eleanor Hall

Sue Hamilton

Jim Jackson

Gene Jarjabka

Nancy Johnson

Anita Kelly-Lahrmer

The Klinginsmith Family

Yvonne Larson

Roberta Lewis

Kitty Maddox

Jack and Helen McKee

Gary Miller

Ron Mitchell

Spenser Moreno

Lynn Norton

Arlene Luna Pena

Bob Poff

Lt. John Norton

Richard Reynolds

Ensign 5 Kaylie Spear

Lt. Maxwell Spear

Richard & Karen Thomason

Kim and Noel Walters

PO3 Kaitlyn Wetter

Don Woerz

Alzheimer's Care Giver Support Group



### God's Recipe for Life

When: 6/22-25

Time: 6-8 pm

Who can attend: anyone age 4-grade 5 (on May 1, 2026)

Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/GQxJhEbWK1iwhYt7A>

### Vacation Bible School Volunteers needed June 22– 25.

Check your calendars and let Wendy know if you can help a few nights. We need crafters, story tellers, chefs, scientists, photographers, and musically talented people.

We also need youth helpers in grade 6th– 2th. Please use the link above to register them as well.



# SENT FORTH IN **LOVE**



**Strengthen  
the Church**

## **STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH SPECIAL OFFERING**

The Holy Spirit gathers us together. From across the country and the spectrums of human experience, we become united in Christ. And, united, the Spirit commissions us to work for a more just world for all.

The Strengthen the Church Offering supports congregations and leader across the United Church of Christ as they respond to the Spirit’s call to be united in Christ for a more just world for all. The challenges our congregations face vary:

- Some seek ways to strengthen youth ministry
- Some hope to start new congregations
- Some look for innovative ways to renew existing congregations
- Some need help developing leaders

The giving in your congregation can ensure congregations get the help they need from their conference and the national ministries of the UCC. Together we can answer the Spirit’s call to be united in Christ for a just world for all.

Rev. Daniel J. Doty, *Senior Minister*  
Nancy Lynn Robinson, *Choir Director/Organist*  
Wendy Brown, *Director of Family Ministries*

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### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 am—3:00 pm  
Fridays—9:00 am—12:00 pm

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