

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
May 19, 2024
Pentecost Sunday

Gathering for God's Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

(from the Hymn "Christ When for Us You Were Baptized")
*Christ, when for us you were baptized, God's Spirit on you came,
As peaceful as a dove and yet, as urgent as a flame.
Baptize us with your Spirit Lord, your cross on us be signed,
That, likewise, in God's service, we may perfect freedom find.*

Let us prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.

Prelude "Spirit in the Wind" New Providence Ringers

Call to Worship

God declares: "I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh. Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.

The young shall see visions. The elders shall dream dreams. Both men and women shall prophesy.

And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Let us worship the Lord our God.

***Hymn of Welcome 316** "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Confessing to God's Mercy

***Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, we do not know how to pray as we ought, and we know too well our constant failures to do as you have commanded and to hold fast to your word. Forgive us for the divisions we nurture, guide us to your way, keep us in your care, and lead us into faith. We trust your word that the Spirit of truth will show us all things and grant us courage and peace. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Response in Praise** "Glory Be to the Father" *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.*

Time of Community Sharing/Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People with 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; and lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer Response "Amen" *Amen, amen, amen.*

Proclaiming of God's Word

A Time for All God's Children

First Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-13 (p. 909, large print p. 1157)

Anthem

Second Scripture Reading Acts 2:14-21

Sermon "Wind Under Wings" Rev. Loren Tate Mitchell

Responding to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith (by Michael Perry)

We believe in God the Father, who reveals his love to us in Christ.

We believe in God the Son, who pours out God's Holy Spirit on us.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who teaches us God's truth.

We believe in one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

***Hymn 324** "Open My Eyes That I May See"

***Offering**

Offering plates are located at each entrance; you may place tithes and offerings, pledge cards, and visitor cards in them after the service.

***Doxology**

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

Departing into God's Service

***Charge & Benediction**

***Postlude**

***Please rise in body or spirit.**

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2025: Barry Chewing (Disbursing Treasurer, Stewardship)

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2026: Kathy Swisher (Apostleship)

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New Providence Presbyterian Church

Serving God and the Community since 1746

WELCOME! Grace and Peace to you in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. We are so glad that you are worshiping with us at New Providence today. If you are new to our church and have questions, feel free to ask anyone in our pews. A nursery with volunteer caregivers is provided; however, Jesus' youngest disciples are always welcome in worship. We hope you'll join us in our fellowship hall for a time of camaraderie and light fare following the service.

KEEP IN PRAYER: Family & friends of Beth Bartley (Wally & Neattie's granddaughter, passed away on May 13) • Preston Engleman • Samuel Golladay (Pam, cancer) • Abe Ruggiero (Donna's brother-in-law, cancer) • Keelin Wolfe (Doug's daughter, thyroid cancer) • Brenda Lotts • Cathy Bartley (Wally & Neattie's daughter, liver cancer) • Kathy Thomas (Isabelle's friend, brain cancer) • Henry Schreiber (author of *Matters of Honor*, cancer) • Rev. Carl Pattison (cancer) • Helen Sandridge (fractured pelvis) • Newbill family (health concerns) • Pam Schnake (cancer) • Keith Roberts (Pastor Loren's friend, pancreatitis & gallstones) • Linda Jean Lunsford (back surgery with cervical fusion recovery) • Weekday Religious Education Program • All who are homebound, in nursing homes, & their caregivers • Our Nation, Leaders, & Military

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Worship Bags:** There are worship bags for children available in the back underneath the table. Feel free to pick one up & return at the close of worship.
- **Adult Sunday School** meets every Sunday in the Pastor's study at 10 a.m. to study the Sunday Worship Scriptures. We'd love for you to join us!
- **The Stewardship Team** will meet Sunday, May 26, following worship.
- **VBS Volunteers Needed:** Please sign up if you are available to be a greeter, help decorate (& undecorate!), lead art projects or simple science experiments, or supervise outside recreation on any of the evenings of VBS (June 10-13). The sign-up sheet is located on the hall table.
- **VBS needs one more group to serve dinner:** The Discipleship Ministry has scheduled Vacation Bible School for June 10-13 this year. Each night will begin at 5:30 with a light meal. We still need someone to serve a simple dinner on Tuesday night. Volunteers so far are: Monday, Presbyterian Women; Wednesday, Burks & Sandridge Families; Thursday, Newbill & Wolfe Families. If you can provide the meal on Tuesday, please contact Mary Linda. Thanks to the volunteers!!
- **Mission:** Doris Fredricksen will be traveling to Honduras with Friends of Barnabas in June. If you would like to contribute, please make checks payable to "Friends of Barnabas" with "Doris Fredricksen, Rockbridge team" in the memo line. Make donations online at <https://www.fobf.org/> or mail to Friends of Barnabas, PO Box 4804, Midlothian, VA 23112.
- **Liturgists:** May 19: MaryLynn Brown; 26: Bruce Patterson
- **Sunday Funday Volunteers:** May 19: Danielle Wolfe; 26: Julie Sandridge