



**FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP**  
**PENTECOST SUNDAY**  
May 24, 2026

\*Rise in body or spirit.

**Bold Type**—Participate in unison.

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD’S NAME**

PRAYER OF PREPARATION†

Spirit God, we come into your presence with awe and wonder, praying that we would be touched with your power. In this time of worship remind us of your constant presence, your gentle guidance, your hope for the world. As we remember those of old who were moved into speech by the Spirit, so too may we find our voice to be prophetic witnesses in the world today. Remind us that we can all speak Spirit-language, that we too can burn with the fire of hope. Amen.

WELCOME

*Visitors and members are encouraged to fill out the attendance folder located on the center aisle of each pew and pass it to those seated along the pew.*

PRELUDE “Pavane”

Ravel

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Spirit is here among us  
**within us, around us, between us.**

The Spirit is here to strengthen us  
**bringing courage, bringing conviction.**

The Spirit is here to move us,  
**making us sing and praise.**

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The Spirit is here.

**May we feel the Spirit as we gather. May we be fed by her fiery strength. May we be emboldened by her powerful wind.**

We gather in the Spirit's arms to be nurtured as we worship.

**And may our worship fill us with the Spirit as we go back out into our daily lives.**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN—NO. 282 “Come Down, O Love Divine”

*Please be seated.*

THE DAY OF PENTECOST

Acts 2:1-13

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, we aren't sure what to do with the prophetic voices in our world. We confuse unity with uniformity, and diversity with divisiveness. We speak and behave as if being a part of your family means assimilating others to our way of living. We deny and destroy the beauty you created in each person. We long to change these patterns, O Creator, but we do not know how. The power of the Spirit is unfamiliar and unnerving, which is why we often prefer to avoid the wind and fire of Spirit-change. Pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, even upon me. Empower us to build your kingdom in creativity and love.**

*A time for silent prayer.*

KYRIE

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA PATRI—NO. 581

**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.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.**

Stephens, Jon Still, Joan Wallace, Frank Whited, and from our Presbytery: Campers & Staff at Pinecrest & NaCoMe Camp and Retreat Centers.

**Sympathy to the family and friends** of Doris Farley, Grandmother of Davis Howe, FPC Youth Director.

**FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF**

Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor

Rev. Dr. Barb Johnson, Associate Pastor

Davis Howe, Youth Director

Jim Thrash, Director of Music

Dr. Tom Bryant, Accompanist

**PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE TODAY**

Bob Freymeyer, Liturgist

Paula Gale, Children's Moment

Paula Gale and Nadine Oest, Ushers

Scriptures for worship that day and meets in the East Room at 10am. Cooper's class is studying John Ortberg's *Eternity Is Now in Session*. The book can be ordered from Amazon. This class meets in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30am to 10:30am.

**2026 Flower Calendar** Giving flowers for worship is a way to remember those we love and celebrate significant moments in our lives. You may sign up on our website under "Sign-ups."

**Vacation Bible School** VBS is rapidly approaching and there are still ways for you to help. June 8-12, the church will be turned into a Snowball Mountain Challenge. To make this happen, we need items for decorating, crafts, science, and recreation. If you can share any of the following, please bring them to the church: green artificial Christmas trees, snow skis/poles/ski goggles, hockey sticks/helmets, sleds, winter hats/scarves/puffer jackets, white poly-fill, tripods, empty cardboard rolls, soccer goal/nets, blank or used CDs no longer want, or inexpensive chess sets. If you mark your items clearly with your name, we will return them after VBS. All unmarked items will be disposed of in an appropriate manner. Any questions contact Rev Barb or Liv Palmer.

**Electronic Giving** We are now able to receive gifts through texts and this QR code. It is a simple process to set up an account or to make a one-time gift as a visitor. You will soon receive much more information about our new church app with Church Directory, calendar, signups, and more available on your mobile phone. Text **FarmPresGive** (not case-sensitive) to 1-888-364-GIVE (4483) in order to receive a reply with the link to your giving interface, or scan this QR code with your phone's camera.



**This Week at Farmington** We honor and pray for the families who have lost loved ones in service to our country this Memorial Day weekend. We remember the words of President Ronald Reagan, *"It is, in a way, an odd thing to honor those who died in defense of our country, in defense of us, in wars far away. The imagination plays a trick. We see these soldiers in our mind as old and wise. But most of them were boys when they died, and they gave up two lives, the one they were living and the one they would have lived. When they died, they gave up their chance to be husbands and fathers and grandfathers. They gave up everything for our country, for us. And all we can do is remember."* We are grateful for the sacrifices of so many for the freedoms we enjoy. May we never forget.

## Prayer Concerns

**Remember in Prayer** Our Farmington Family, Session, and Staff; Earleen Anderson, Kathy and Bill Argo, Jackie Baker, Kevin Beard, Bonnie Blair, Martha Carr, Judith Cassidy, Jim Collins, Dan Freymeyer, Joe Gaul, Brenda Geise, Adrienne Pakis Gillion, Betzabe Guzman, Bill Harrington, Martha Hart, Annette Hosier, Jerry Hosier, Peter Kendall, Bill Knight, Tammy Lee, Jim Mabile, Annette Main, Sara Millar, Tommy Nagel, Nancy & Dennis Palmer, Bill Renfrow, Ellen Renfrow, Bob and Linda Seidman, JoAnne Simpkins, Karen Smaili, Marty Steele, William

**In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, Come, Lord Jesus!**

THROUGH CHILDREN'S EYES

Paula Gale

*All children are invited to come to the Chancel steps.*

*Afterward, young children may remain or proceed to the nursery.*

*Worship bags are available beside the entrance to the Sanctuary.*

### PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14-21

Pew Bible 1692

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

I Corinthians 12:4-13

Pew Bible 1786

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD—NO. 587 "Alleluia!"

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

SERMON "The Gifts of the Spirit"

Rev. Rebecca Luter

### RESPOND TO GOD

PRAYER CONCERNS—*Please remember those on our prayer list.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.**

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Elegy”

William Walton

\*DOXOLOGY—NO. 606

**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

**God, as the Spirit moves within and around us we are moved in response. Part of that response is to offer these gifts of time, talent, and treasure. May the gifts and the givers be ways your love and hope is spread. Amen.**

\*HYMN—NO. 289 “On Pentecost They Gathered”

Verses 1, 3, & 4

\*INVITATION, CHARGE, AND BLESSING

\*SENDING FORTH HYMN—NO. 300 “We Are One in the Spirit”

Verse 1

**We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.**

\*POSTLUDE “Concerto in G Major (Presto)”

J.S. Bach



THIS SERVICE IS BEING LIVE-STREAMED  
AND RECORDED. ATTENDEES  
IMPLICITLY AGREE THAT THEY, AND  
ANY CHILDREN ACCOMPANYING  
THEM, MAY BE ON CAMERA.

Worship Online at 11:00 Sunday Mornings  
[www.farmingtonpres.org](http://www.farmingtonpres.org), click “Worship with us!”

†Liturgy written by Rev. Gord Waldie on [Worship Offerings](#), United Church of Canada, and Prayer of Confession adapted from a prayer written by Rev. Mary Nelson Abbott in *Come, Let Us Build*.

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## Welcome

We seek to be a community that is a home for all of God’s family with a heart for God’s world. We hope that you will sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in this place and find that you feel at home. We are grateful for the visitors and friends of the Farmington family who add to our community each week.

**Need more information? What to sign up for something? Looking for the livestream of worship?** Go to our website: [www.farmingtonpres.org](http://www.farmingtonpres.org)

**Need to give us information? What to ask a question? Looking for assistance with signing up?** Email us at: [church@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:church@farmingtonpres.org)

**How do I join the church?** Members are received by Profession of Faith (for those who have never been a member of a church), Reaffirmation of Faith (for those who have joined a church in the past but not been involved in a while), and Transfer of Membership (for those who are coming from active participation in another church). If you are interested in knowing more about Farmington Presbyterian or about joining, let Rev. Rebecca or Rev. Barb know or email [church@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:church@farmingtonpres.org). We look forward to officially welcoming you into the Farmington Presbyterian Church family!

**Prayer Concerns and Pastoral Care** You are encouraged to complete a Prayer Concern card in the pew rack to add someone to the church’s prayer list. Copies of the complete list are available in the folder under the Prayer Board in the church office. You may reach Rev. Rebecca Luter at (901)674-8000 or [rluter@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:rluter@farmingtonpres.org).

**Large print hymnals and hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers.**

## Happenings

**Coffee in the Narthex** After worship this morning, you are encouraged to enjoy fellowship over coffee and cookies in the Narthex.

**No Sunday School or Youth Fellowship tonight.**

**Youth Fellowship** The youth meet Sunday evenings in the Youth Room from 5:30-7:30pm for a time of fellowship, games, faith-building, and food. Friends are welcome! For more information or to be notified of upcoming events, text or email Davis at 901-482-2503 or [davis@farmingtonpres.org](mailto:davis@farmingtonpres.org).

**Youth Sunday School (6th-12th grades)** All youth are encouraged to come for discussion on the life of Mary Magdalene. Donuts will be provided!

**Adult Sunday School** Rev. Rebecca Luter and Cooper Patterson each teach an adult class on Sunday mornings. Rev. Rebecca’s class, Centering in the Word, offers an introduction to the