First United Methodist Church of Freehold **Bulletin**

Sunday, May 19, 2024 **Day of Pentecost**

Verl McKinney Announcements: Prelude Welcome: Rev. Yoseb Jeon Rev. Yoseb Jeon *Call to Worship: Leader: Come, Holy Spirit. Inspire our hearts with your fiery presence! People: Let your flame burn within us, stirring us to action. Leader: Come, Holy Spirit. Energize our lives to work for God. People: Let your wind of hope swirl around us, lifting and moving us from complacency. Leader: Come, Holy Spirit. Pour your blessing on us. People: Let your presence challenge us to proclaim God's presence and love in everything we say and do. AMEN. *Opening Prayer: (In Unison) Almighty God, your Holy Spirit came to Jesus' disciples, hidden in an upper room in Jerusalem. A violent wind and tongues of fire were the symbols of a new thing happening in their lives. May your Holy Spirit burst into our lives today, encouraging and inspiring us to proclaim boldly the good news of Jesus Christ who offers healing and hope to all people. AMEN. "God of Grace and God of Glory" **UMH #577** *Opening Hymn: (v. 1, 3, 4) "Holy Spirit, Rain Down" *Praise Song: Russell Fragar Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Introduction to Prayer:

[For those joining us online, please submit your prayer requests in the comments on the virtual attendance sheet, or email the church office. Your prayer requests will be lifted up in next Sunday's service.]

Prayer Song: "Spirit of the Living God" **UMH #393**

Pastoral Prayer: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

The Lord's Prayer: UMH #895

Baptism of Kylie Ann Tesseyman

(See Baptism Liturgy Insert)

Scripture Reading (With Responses): Acts 2:1-21 Dan Tagatac

Friendship Moment and Passing of the Peace

[For those joining us online, please take a moment to sign the online attendance form: www.freeholdmethodist.org]

Message: "You Can't Do This Alone" Rev. Yoseb Jeon

Offering Time: The Special Offering for the month of May will benefit Peace with Justice Ministries.

Giving Page: www.freeholdmethodist.org/give

Offertory: "I Will Bless You" Sangwu Shin

Chloe Jeon, Violin; Daniel Jeon, Cello; Yoonjung Park, Piano

*Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

*Offering Prayer: (In Unison)

Merciful God, the blessings of Pentecost continue to birth hope for the future and offer blessings for those in need. May today's offering bring love and light to those who have yet to touch the holy wind and sacred fire of your Spirit. Amen.

*Closing Song: "Walking in the Light of God" Traditional Zulu

*Benediction: Rev. Yoseb Jeon

*Postlude: "Walking in the Light of God" Traditional Zulu

(Reprise)

Scripture Passage (Responsive Reading) Liturgist: Dan Tagatac May 19, 2024

Acts 2:1-21

The Coming of the Holy Spirit

2 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² 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. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

Peter Addresses the Crowd

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews^[a] and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ '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.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and woman.

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

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

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,

before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Opening Hymn: "God of Grace and God of Glory" (v. 1, 3, 4) UMH #577

God of grace and God of glory,
On Thy people pour Thy power;
Crown thine ancient church's story;
Bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

Cure thy children's warring madness,
Bend our pride to thy control;
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation
To the evils we deplore;
Let the search for thy salvation
Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Serving thee whom we adore,
Serving thee whom we adore.

Praise Song: "Holy Spirit, Rain Down" Russell Fragar

(Chorus 2X)
Holy Spirit, rain down, rain down,
O, Comforter and Friend,
How we need Your touch again.
Holy Spirit, rain down, rain down,
Let Your power fall, let Your voice be heard,
Come and change our hearts
As we stand on Your Word.
Holy Spirit, rain down.

(Verse)

No eye has seen, no ear has heard, No mind can know what God has in store. So, open up heaven, open it wide, Over Your church, and over our lives.

(Chorus)
Holy Spirit, rain down, rain down,
O, Comforter and Friend,
How we need Your touch again.
Holy Spirit, rain down, rain down,
Let Your power fall, let Your voice be heard,
Come and change our hearts
As we stand on Your Word.
Holy Spirit, rain down.

(Ending) Rain down, rain down, Rain down, rain down, Rain down, rain down, Rain.

Prayer Hymn: "Spirit of the Living God" UMH #393

Spirit of the Living God,
Fall fresh on me.
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall fresh on me.
Melt me, mold me,
Fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God,
Fall fresh on me.

Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

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.

Closing Hymn: "Walking in the Light of God" Traditional Zulu Arr. Dean McIntyre

Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walking in the light of God.

Walk, walk, walk, walk, Walking in the light of God. Walk, walk, walk, walk, Walking in the light of God.

Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walking in the light of God.

'Ham-ba, 'ham-ba, 'ham-ba, 'ham-ba, Walking in the light of God. 'Ham-ba, 'ham-ba, 'ham-ba, 'ham-ba, Walking in the light of God.

Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walking in the light of God.

'Ham-ba koo kah nigh nee, 'Ham-ba koo kah nigh nee, 'Ham-ba koo kah nigh nee, Walking in the light of God.

Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walking in the light of God.

HOLY BAPTISM

BAPTISM CANDIDATE: KYLIE ANN TESSEYMAN **PARENTS**: JOHN EDWARD TESSEYMAN & BRITTANY GRACE TESSEYMAN

MAY 19, 2024

REV. YOSEB JEON

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM





INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVICE

Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Through the Sacrament of Baptism

we are initiated into Christ's holy Church.

We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation

and given new birth through water and the Spirit.

All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATE:

Verl McKinney, Lay Leader

I present KYLIE ANN TESSEYMAN for baptism.

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

Parents and other sponsors respond:

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness,
reject the evil powers of this world,
and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

Will you nurture this child, **KYLIE ANN TESSEYMAN**, in Christ's holy Church, that by your teaching and example she may be guided to accept God's grace for herself, to profess her faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?

I will.

The congregation responds:

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this child now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ.

We will surround her

with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her service to others.

We will pray for her,

that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

The congregation, the parents and sponsors respond together:

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

THANSKGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Spirit of the Lord is with us. **Even so, come Lord Jesus!** Let us pray.

Almighty God, the life you birthed in us by baptism into Jesus Christ will never die. Your justice never fails. Your mercy is everlasting.

Your healing river flows.

Your Spirit blows where you will.

We cannot stop you, God!

But sometimes we try.

We try to block the flow, we redirect the winds of the Spirit, or we walk so far away from the life-giving Stream that we do not hear its sound, and we forget its power. We parch ourselves.

We are dry and thirsty, O God. Come, refresh us!

Come upon us, Holy Spirit!

Come upon us, Holy Spirit!

Come upon these waters.

Come upon these waters.

Let these waters be to us drops of your mercy. **Let these waters remind us of your righteousness and justice.**

Let these waters renew in us the resurrection power of Jesus. Let these waters make us long for your coming reign.

Most Holy God, Abba, Father!

Glory to you!

Jesus Christ, Savior, Lord!

Glory to you!

Spirit of fire, Spirit over the waters, Spirit of holiness! Glory to you!

Eternal God, One in Three and Three in One!

All glory is yours, now and forever. Amen!

BAPTISM WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

Christian, KYLIE ANN, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Now it is our joy to welcome our new child in Christ.

Through baptism
you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit
into God's new creation
and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood.
We are all one in Christ Jesus.
With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you
as a member of the family of Christ.

PRESENTATION OF A CERTIFICATE OF BAPTISM

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

Members of the household of God,
I commend this child to your love and care.
Do all in your power to increase her faith,
confirm her hope, and perfect her in love.

The congregation responds:

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love.

As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the First United Methodist Church of Freehold, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness,

that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

BLESSING

The God of all grace,
who has called us to eternal glory in Christ,
establish you and strengthen you
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
that you may live in grace and peace.

May 19, 2024 Announcements:

Welcome to worship at the First United Methodist Church of Freehold. Whether you are joining us online or are here in person, we are glad you are with us.

ALTAR FLOWERS are donated by John and Brittany Tesseyman in celebration of Kylie Ann's baptism.

Participate in our **AdvenChurch** event "The Freehold Porch Fest", today from 12 noon – 6:00 p.m. Walk around to the different events happening in town. Contact Kathy Mulholland if you are interested in a group lunch at the church – kathymommy@aol.com, 732-642-1779

More information can be found in the Newsletter and at: https://www.facebook.com/FreeholdArts

The next Elizabeth Circle meeting will be held on Monday, May 20th at 2:00 p.m. in Wesley Hall.

The **Stitcher's Circle** will meet on Thursday, May 23rd at 2:00 p.m. in the Coffee Room. All skill levels welcome.

Community News:

Monmouth Civic Chorus Presents: "All That Sparkles – Your Favorites from our First 75 Years". Today at 4:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church of Freehold. Tickets: Monmouthcivicchorus.org

This Week at a Glance (May 20 - May 26)

Monday: 2:00 p.m. – Elizabeth Circle Meeting (Wesley Hall)

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. – Walking Group (ZOOM)

7:00 p.m. - Reading between the Vines

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. - Bible Study (Coffee Room)

7:30 p.m. – Seventh Day Adventist Church (Lounge)

Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – Walking Group (ZOOM)

2:00 p.m. - Stitcher's Circle Meeting (Coffee Room)

Friday: - ***

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. - Seventh Day Adventist Church (Sanctuary & Wesley Hall)

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. – Seekers Class

8:45 a.m. - Children Sunday School (Classrooms)9:00 a.m. - Joyful Noise Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

10:00 a.m. – Worship (Sanctuary)

(Nursery care for our youngest members is available during worship service.)

***No events scheduled

May Birthdays

(17) Sharon Shutzer (20) Connor Groh

(18) Susan Wilson (21) Virginia Sologuren

(19) Annabel Minty (21) Vivian Walters

(20) Myra Pierce (30) Stephanie Walters-Laurino