



Powered by the Holy Spirit

June 8, 2025

Day of Pentecost

"Human nature must be changed if we are ever to have an end to war or to correct the wrong situations that make our lives uneasy and our hearts sore. Now Christianity, the power of Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit of God, is the only force that can change people for good.

—Peter Marshall

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

PRELUDE

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

David H. Hegarty
Organist, Larry Gillum

CHORAL INTROIT

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist, Lisa Plaut

Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

For God has done wondrous things for us.

Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with the power of the rushing wind that we may faithfully serve you in all that we do.

For Christ has called each of us and blessed us.

Come Holy Spirit! Be with us today.

Help us to proclaim that the risen Christ is alive in our midst!

*OPENING HYMN NO. 305

"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Almighty God, you poured out 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 people made one in Christ. Forgive us. Transform us by the power of your Spirit entreating us to do your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE:

"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"

#418

3 O for the won-der-ful love he has prom-ised, prom-ised for
 you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer-cy and par-don,
 par-don for you and for me. *Refrain* "Come home, come home!"
 "Come home, come home!"
 You who are wea-ry, come home." Ear-nest-ly, ten-der-ly,
 Je-sus is call-ing, call-ing, "O sin-ner, come home!"

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURE *Acts 2:1-4, NRSV*

CHANCEL CHOIR "Come Home" arr. Page/Shafferman
Director, Rich Dixon

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL *John 14:8-17, NRSV*

MESSAGE "Powered by the Holy Spirit" The Rev. Dr. Christine Dempsey

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 286 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON)** *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.

MOMENT FOR MISSION Lisa Plaut

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Rejoice, the Lord is King" (Tune: *Darwall*) L. Gillum

***DOXOLOGY** (Hymnal # 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**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Adam William Schweitzer, son of Luke & Alicia Schweitzer

Aspen James Vigil, daughter of Hannah & James Vigil

HYMN NO. 488 "I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry" verse 1

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The congregation responds, "**hear our prayer**"
following each petition which concludes, "God, in your grace..."*

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

(Not merely announcements, but the activities of our life together that reflect our day-to-day responses to God's call for faithfulness and your invitation to join in!)

***HYMN OF SENDING NO. 298**

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

(please remain standing)

POSTLUDE

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Tune: *Lobe den Herren*

**Please stand if you are able.*



The Week Ahead

Monday, June 9

9:30am Finance Committee

6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

6:30pm Chancel Choir

Tuesday, June 10

10:00am Building & Grounds Committee

12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group

12:00pm PEO Chapter AV

1:00pm Personnel Committee

3:00pm Worship & Music Committee

4:30pm Deacons

7:00pm Hispanic Bible Study

Friday, June 13

10:00am Adult Study Group

Saturday, June 14

5:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Sunday, June 15

CROSSROADS DONATION

8:30am Journeys

10:00am Worship

Wednesday, June 11

10:00am Mission & Outreach Committee

12:00pm Bible Study

1:00pm The Good Grief Group

See the full church calendar on www.pccrusa.org

Thursday, June 12

8:30am ENN Board Meeting

12:00pm Stepping Stones Al-Anon Group

3:30pm Rocky Ridge Concert

5:00pm EVICS

Announcements

Greeters this morning are Linda & Larry Emsing.

Fellowship Time—Join us after worship today for coffee and treats hosted by the Chancel Choir.

Flowers in the chancel are in honor of the baptism of their grandchildren, Aspen James Vigil & Adam William Schweitzer by David & Katha Schweitzer.

“Just Coffee” will be for sale today in the Narthex, thanks to the Mission and Outreach Committee. For \$12 you may purchase ground or beans, regular, decaf, or half and half. Porch delivery is always available.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine—

Join Pastor Christine for Bible Study at noon in the church Library on Wednesday, June 11. This week’s topic is “Abraham’s Treaty with the Philistines” Scripture: Genesis 21:22-34

Adult Study Group with Carol Nussbaumer —

The Adult Study Group will meet in the church Library at 10:00am on Friday, June 13. All are welcome to join us. Classes stand alone — you can come once, or every week, and we guarantee you will go away with some knowledge and understanding.

The Rocky Ridge Music Center will hold a series of concerts throughout the month of June and beyond featuring their students and staff. The next concert will be on Thursday, June 12th from 3:30-4:30pm in the Sanctuary with performances by the College Students. All are invited to attend.

Meditation Trail Task Force is looking for a few more members to help with rejuvenating our meditation trail. Please contact Sibyl Gardner at 310-880-3524 or the church office at office@pccrusa.org if you are interested.

If you would like to serve as a **greeter at church** on Sunday morning, please contact Lois Ellingwood at 970-586-3064 or ldellingwood13@gmail.com

Upcoming:

Thursday, June 12—Rocky Ridge Music Center Student Concert at 3:30pm in the Sanctuary

Thursday, June 19—Church Office Closed in observance of Juneteenth

Friday, June 20—Rocky Ridge Music Center Faculty Concert at 5:00pm in the Sanctuary

Sunday, June 22—Mission Fair following the worship service in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 25—Community Worship Service at 5:00 at the Outdoor Chapel

Thursday, June 26—Rocky Ridge Music Center Student Concert at 3:30pm in the Sanctuary

Friday, June 27—Celebration of Life for Jane Harroff at 2:00pm at the American Legion Hall

Saturday, June 28—Celebration of Life for Jim & Tina Myers at 2:00pm in the Sanctuary

Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies is a welcoming community united by faith in Jesus Christ; we seek to serve others, share God's love, and engage all people

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PENTECOST

Ten days after the ascension of Christ and fifty days after his resurrection, the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples on the day of Pentecost. Pentecost was an established Jewish festival also known as the Feast of Weeks, which drew people from many nations back to Jerusalem (Lev. 23:15-21; Deut. 16:16). Pentecost symbolizes a new beginning. It celebrates the unleashing of the Holy Spirit on the world and the empowering of the church to reach the world with the gospel. In celebrating Pentecost, the church expresses its gratitude for the faithfulness of Christ in fulfilling his promise to send "another counselor" (John 14:16); celebrates the work of the Spirit in renewing all of creation; professes its confidence and security in knowing the Spirit's power is available for its mission; and grows in awareness of the immensity of its calling to reach the world with the gospel. The traditional color for Pentecost is red, after the flames described in Acts 2:3.



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