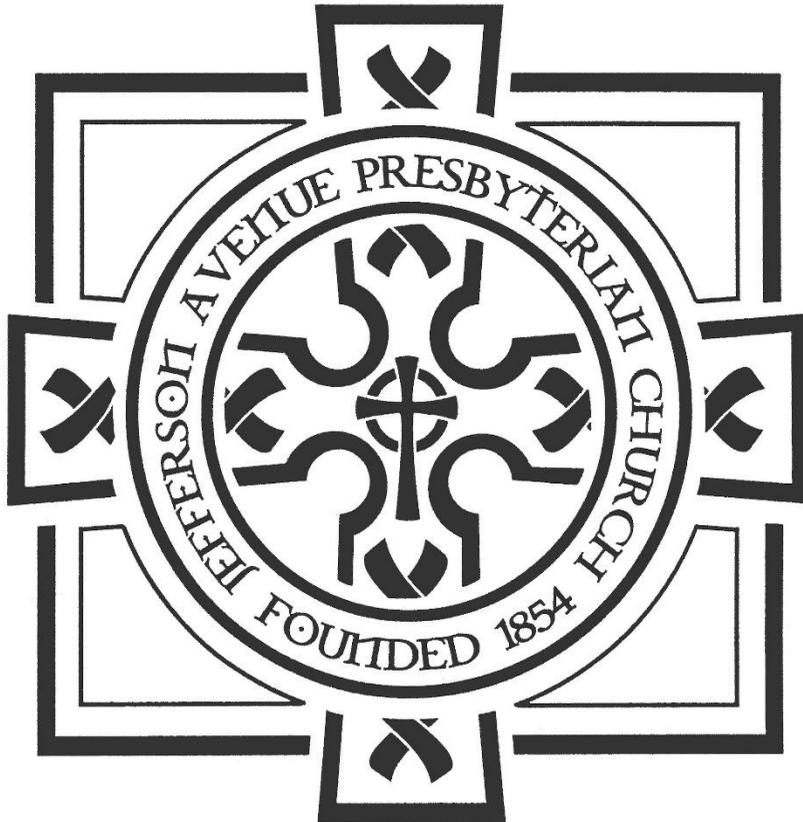


Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church

Serving Christ in the Heart of Detroit



Pentacost

May 23, 2021 | 10:30am

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Order of Worship for Pentacost

As the Prelude begins, we enter into a time of prayer and reflection as we gather for worship.

PRELUDE “L’Orgue Mystique: Feste Pentecoste” *Charles Touremire*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT “Holy Fire” *Jane Marshall*

Mysterious holy Fire, that crackled in the bush and drew the fascinated Moses to look closer, then, awestruck, unshod, respond to the command of God. Transforming holy Fire, igniting all at Pentecost with power to hear what had been lost, as Spirit flames broke from the Sun to fuse the many into one. Enabling holy Fire, that quickened those perceived as weak with strength their willing hands would seek to thwart oppression, greed, and pain so justice might roll down like rain. Life giving holy Fire, rekindle in your Church the spark to blaze in an unsettled dark, till all emboldened by the sight, till all emboldened by the sight can dance in freedom toward the Light. Come Holy Ghost our souls inspire, and lighten with celestial fire; thou the anointing Spirit art, who dost thy seven fold gifts impart. Amen. (Text by Jane Marshall, incorporating “Veni Creator Spiritus” with text attributed to Rhobanus Maurus, 776-856; tr. John Cosin, 1594-1672)

PRAYER OF THE DAY *Gil Baker*

HYMN No. 287 “Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading” *Njoo Kwetu*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: Acts 2:1-21

*This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.***

SERMON “Absolute Contact” *Rev. Matthew Nickel*

ANTHEM “I Feel the Winds of God Today” *John Ness Beck*

I feel the winds of God today; Today my sail I lift, Tho’ heavy oft with drenching spray, and torn with many a rift. If hope but light the water’s crest, And Christ my bark will use, I’ll seek the seas at His behest, And brace another cruise. It is the wind of God that dries my vain regretful tears, Until the braver thoughts shall rise the purer, brighter years. If cast on shores of selfish ease or pleasure I should be, Lord, let me feel Thy fresh’ning breeze and I’ll but back to sea. If ever I forget Thy love And how that love was shown, Lift high the blood-red flag above; It bears Thy name alone. Great Pilot of my onward way, Thou wilt not let me drift; I feel the winds of God today, Today my sail I lift! (Text by Jessie Adams)

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.

OFFERING & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Offerings can be made online at www.japc.org/give

HYMN No. 290 “O Day of Joy and Wonder!” *Jonathan’s Tune*

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Kingsfold"

Aaron David Miller

Announcements

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Prayer Requests – Let your Deacons pray with and for you. You may send your prayer requests to the Deacons using prayer@japc.org or you can also call prayer requests to the church office and Pastor Matt at 313-822-3456.

The Board of Deacons encourages prayers for Marieke Allen, Alice Bancroft, Fred Black, Wanda Black, Donna Burt, Mardi Carruthers, Leslie Chamas, Anna Cherven, Brian Head, Sue Head, Ken Holden, Kathy Horlocker, the Itchon family, Kathi Johnson, Priscilla Kelsey, Phillip Kent, Chris Klinger, the Krage family, Lesley Lambright, Phyllis May, Eleanor Mobley, Norma Perry, Fred Roberts, the Stahl family, Johnnie Walker II, JAPC military; Capt. Michael Boyle, for people ill from Covid-19 and medical workers, the scientific community, people who've lost jobs or businesses, social service and relief workers, and all who are supporting those affected by the coronavirus.

Today's Worship Participants – Liturgist: Gil Baker. Vocalists: Stephen Bobalik, Katy Kujala, Brien Meehan, Deborah Nero, Sophia Raptis and Rose Randall Warner. Ushers: Ivan & Linda Fiscus, Dan Isenschmid and John Lovegren.

Today's Chancel flowers are given by Judy Agle to the glory of God in loving memory of her husband, Randy, in celebration of their 56th wedding anniversary on May 24.

Sunday Morning Ushers - Sign up to welcome, greet, and help people find their way before worship. Details and sign-up: <http://bit.ly/japcushersignup>

Returnable Collections - In the Tower Entryway that is a bin for collecting returnable cans. Church members and friends in the community are invited to share their rinsed returnables. Over the years the proceeds have contributed to projects led by the Board of Deacons. Consider putting your returnables to work for the ministry of the church.

Online Prayer Group - Close your day with a short prayer service from the Book of Common Worship. Together, we offer prayers for our church, community, and world. The service is will be held on the second and forth Thursdays of the month (May 27, June 10 & 24) at 7:00pm on Zoom. For video go to: <http://bit.ly/japcprayerservice> Meeting ID: 869 7656 7804 Passcode: 123 - to participate by phone dial 312-626-6799, enter Meeting ID: 869 7656 7804 and use Passcode: 123

Guest Preacher on May 30 - On Sunday, May 30, JAPC welcomes the guest preacher Rev. Dr. Charles "Chip" Hardwick. He serves as the traditional synod executive for the Synod of the Covenant whose offices are in Metro-Detroit. Previously, Chip served as the Director of Theology, Formation, and Evangelism for the Presbyterian Mission Agency in Louisville, KY. As a pastor, he has served Presbyterian churches in Lake Forest, IL; Bloomington, IL; and Atlanta, GA.

Bible and Brew at City Kitchen, June 2nd (7pm) – Bible and Brew returns to City Kitchen (16844 Kercheval, 48230) on Wednesday, June 2! When you hear the words “Holy Scripture”, or “the Bible” what comes to mind? Sunday school classes? Memorizing verses? Liking the New Testament and never reading the Old? Our last B&B of the season will focus on Scripture and how it can provide hope in times of need. Some things to think about - when you read/study/listen to Scripture (1) what do you learn about God? (2) what do you learn about others? Relationships? (3) what do you learn about yourself? Invite friends interested in learning more about Scripture and how it brings hope to our lives.

Congregational Meeting on June 6 at 2:00 p.m. (ZOOM) - A meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church will be held on Sunday, June 6, at 2:00 p.m. using a Zoom Conference for video and telephone. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the report of the All-Church Nominating Committee to elect officers for Session and Board of Deacons, and to appoint at-large members of the Nominating Committee and to approve Terms-of-Call for the Pastor. **Zoom Details:** Meeting Link: <http://bit.ly/japcsunday> Passcode: 54321 OR Dial in by Phone: +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 819 1179 7655 Passcode: 54321

Zoom Sunday Forum: Make Food Not Waste - The mission of Make Food Not Waste and JAPC has found synergy around food security through the pandemic and continues. Join us for a conversation with Danielle Todd, Executive Director of MFNW; Ederique Gouda, Chef for MFNW and co-founder of soon to open restaurant Gabrielle Hall; JAPC's Mission Committee Chair Paul Booker. **Zoom Details:** Meeting Link: <http://bit.ly/japcsunday> Passcode: 54321 OR Dial in by Phone: +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 819 1179 7655 Passcode: 54321

Summer Camps will be held outside for the weeks of July 12 and 19. Camps run from 9:30am-noon for rising 2nd to 7th graders. College for Creative Studies art workshop and Drumming with Juan "Butter " Hawkins workshop are offered each day. **Volunteers are needed for all camps.** Chaperones and adult supervision are needed from 9am - 12:15pm Monday through Friday the weeks of July 12 and 19th. You can volunteer for one day or more days. Lunch preparation and packing (bag lunches will be distributed at 12noon) is needed each day from 10:30-12noon. Visit <http://bit.ly/japcsummercamps> to volunteer.

Family Bible Camp for all ages (toddlers to teens) will be held three evenings on the front lawn from 6:30-8pm on July 26-28. Please pick up a flyer for details or contact Kathy Chateau, kathy@japc.org.

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