

# **VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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## **Day of Pentecost**

**May 28, 2023 ▪ 10:00 a.m.**



### **Lectionary Selections of Scripture for this Sunday:**

Acts 2:1-21 ~ Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

John 7:37-39 ~ 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

**Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
is a welcoming, active, community-oriented,  
theologically Reformed congregation  
where all people are celebrated and valued  
as we worship the Triune God, engage in mission,  
and serve our community and beyond.**

# **Gathering around God's Word**

## PRELUDE

OHIO VALLEY BRASS QUINTET

## CHIMES

## GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the fellowship pad to the inside aisle.

## PREPARATION for WORSHIP

*Surely the Presence (of the Lord Is in This Place)*

**The Celebration Hymnal #219**

## CALL to WORSHIP

**Liturgist:** All together in one place;

**All: they heard the rush of a violent wind;**

**Liturgist:** it filled the entire house.

**All: Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared and rested on each of them;**

**Liturgist:** they were filled with the Holy Spirit

## OPENING PRAYER

**God of wisdom and understanding, as you gathered diverse peoples on Pentecost, embolden us with a Christian hospitality that welcomes and receives all. Amen.**

⌘ OPENING HYMN of PRAISE      *On Pentecost They Gathered, GtG 289*

CONFESSIO and time of self-examination      *(congregation may be seated)*

**Leader:** God's Spirit has gathered us for worship. Let us confess our sins and return to God.

**All: Spirit of God, we hesitate and doubt. You call us to act boldly but our fear keeps us from following your call. Forgive our lack of courage. Embolden us to dream big and trust the Spirit to fill us and use us. Help us be Christ's church without hesitation. Guided by your Holy Spirit, help us usher in your kingdom to come. Amen.**

## SILENT PRAYER of CONFESSIO

SUNG RESPONSE      *Spirit of the Living God, GtG 288*

## DECLARATION OF PARDON

**Liturgist:** Acts 2:21 tells us: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed.

**All: Thanks be to God. Amen!**

⌘ GLORIA PATRI      *Glory Be to the Father, GtG 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, amen.

⌘ PASSING the PEACE of CHRIST

May the Peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!**

## **Encountering God's Word**

⌘ SONG of ILLUMINATION

*Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness, GtG 291*

### **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

(Preschool-aged children are dismissed to the nursery)

#### **The ANTHEM**

*Fan the Flame*

Music by Pepper Choplin

Words adapted from 2 Timothy 1:6-7

Scripture references: Psalm 104:4, 24-34, 35b;

Acts 1:1-11, 2:1-21; and Romans 8:1-30

#### REFRAIN:

Fan the flame of the Spirit within you.

Fan the flame, rekindle the fire.

Let it burn with a holy passion.

Feed the holy desire.

Fan the flame of faith and confidence.

Fan the flame of bold desire

from the spark of faith He gives you.

Live in the Spirit of love and hope and power.

The embers of faith in us are glowing.

Let them grow in ev'ry heart.

The Spirit of God in us is flowing.

The Spirit will revive.

Now it will come alive within you. REFRAIN...

When life has drenched your fire of passion,

joy of faith has almost died,

breathe in new life that's everlasting

that will light a new spark into your eyes.

REFRAIN...

Let the Spirit blaze!

FAN THE FLAME!

#### **The SCRIPTURE**

#### **NEWER TESTAMENT READINGS:**

John 7:37-39

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Acts 2:1-21

The Word of the Lord ... **Thanks be to God!**

#### **MORNING MESSAGE**

Rev. Erica L. Harley

## **Responding to God's Word**

⌘ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

⌘ SONG of AFFIRMATION      *Breathe on Me, Breath of God, GtG 286*

⌘ INVITATION to the OFFERING

**Leader:** God's Spirit is among us making all things new. Let us participate in this new creation by offering our gifts to God. *(congregation may be seated)*

The OFFERTORY  
OHIO VALLEY BRASS QUINTET

⌘ DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow, GtG 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

**You have blessed each of us with gifts to serve and share, Most Generous God. May the offerings we present today be used to further your Kingdom and build your beloved community. Amen.**  
*(congregation may be seated)*

MORNING PRAYER & OUR 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!**

## **Taking God's Word out, into our Worlds**

⌘ CLOSING HYMN

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit, GtG 66*

⌘ BENEDICTION

⌘ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

VANCE CHOIR

⌘ POSTLUDE

## *AdVance Announcements*

- *Welcome to Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church, a traditional church with Spirit, serving the greater Wheeling Community and beyond! We welcome our radio congregation listening to our live worship on 97.3 WKWK-FM and to our Facebook Live congregation watching on facebook.com/VancePresbyterian. Remote listeners can go to vancechurch.org, select the "News" tab and choose "Bulletin" to follow along with a PDF of the worship service. If you ever need prayer or would like home communion, please contact the church office at 1-304-232-0980.*
- *Worship guests are particularly welcome this morning. Please stop by the Welcome Center in the Narthex to receive a free gift and to leave us your contact information.*
- *Attendance in worship last Sunday was 71. Giving for the month of April was \$27,567.*
- *We thank Janice Carenbauer for serving as liturgist today.*
- *We welcome members of the Ohio Valley Brass Quintet: Justin Schwertfeger, Johnny Leonard, Lara Cline, Jerid Withers, and Alan Cline.*
- *Do you know how easy, safe, and convenient it is to use our new E-giving for your tithe or offering? Very easy indeed! Just go to the church website [www.vancechurch.org](http://www.vancechurch.org) and click on the "GIVE" button on the front page. A new page will "pop-up" with a giving form you can fill out with your offering amount and payment method. You can make one-time gifts or set-up recurring gifts that will automatically withdraw from your bank account. Tithing is the foundation of giving and E-giving makes it easy to give whenever the Holy Spirit moves you toward generosity.*

⌘ Please stand if able.

GtG=Glory to God Hymnal

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**10:00 a.m. Service of Worship regularly broadcast over WKWK-FM 97.3**

Today's worship service liturgy is written by Teri McDowell Ott and provided for free distribution by *Presbyterian Outlook*, 2023.

## Vance Calendar

*Week of May 28, 2023 through June 04, 2023*

Sun. May 28

- **9am, Sunday School, C.E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Classrooms**
- **10am, Sunday Worship Service, Sanctuary**
- 6pm, Washington Presbyterian Church Fellowship Group, *Robbie Clarke*

Mon. May 29

- OFFICE CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY
- 12pm, Al-Anon Support Group, *Wheeler Conference Room*

Tue. May 30

- 4:30pm, Susan Eison Bible Study, *Squibb Room*
- 7pm, Boy Scouts Troop 6, *Fellowship Hall*

Wed. May 31

- 6pm, Narcotics Anonymous, *C.E. Chapel*
- 7pm, Jr. League, *JL 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Room*

Thur. Jun. 1

- 12pm, Presbytery Pastor's Bible Study, *Potter Chapel*
- 3pm, Presbytery Executive Round Table, *Potter Chapel*
- **4:30pm, Building & Property Commission, Wheeler Room**
- 6:30pm, Presbytery Committee on Ministry, *ZOOM*

Fri. Jun. 2

Sat. Jun. 3

- 8:30pm, Alcoholic's Anonymous, *2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Chapel*

Sun. Jun. 4

- **9am, Sunday School, C.E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Classrooms**
- **10am, Communion Worship Service & Memorial Sunday, Sanctuary**

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**Vance Church events are in bold type.**

Vance Church also houses the offices of Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery, Young Life, Junior League, Harmony House, and Wishing Well Learning Center.