



IRVINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 19, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Reflection

“When we are baptized, our lives are caught up in a powerful sign of what it means to live and die as Christians....These baptismal changes—cleansing, birth, refreshment, life, and death—are not merely individualized experiences. Being a disciple is not only a matter of a new feeling or thinking or even acting. Being a disciple means being adopted into a new family—the family of God. Baptism delivers us from isolation to communion. We need the whole community, each member witnessing to us, in order to grow up into Christ.

Confirmation is part of the larger baptismal process of making disciples.”

~ Will Willimon

Sources and Credits:

Holy Spirit and Fire with Baptismal Font, from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

The Call to Worship is based on Ecclesiastes 3:1-8.

The Prayer of Illumination is from *Feasting on the Word: Liturgies for Year B*, Vol. 1, edited by Kimberly Bracken Long.

The Charge is composed by Dr. Jonathan Lee, adapted from the original written by Henri Amiel.

Pentecost

Gathering in God's Love

*The prelude is a call for personal
preparation for the worship of God.*

PRELUDE

Fantasia Super: Komm, Heiliger Geist, BWV 651 | J.S. Bach

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

**For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under heaven:
a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
a time to throw away stones,
and a time to gather stones together;**

**Please stand in body or in spirit.*

a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

a time to seek, and a time to lose;

a time to keep, and a time to throw away;

a time to tear, and a time to sew;

a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

a time to love, and a time to hate;

a time for war, and a time for peace.

a time to be baptized, and a time to be confirmed;

a time to minister to others,

and a time to be ministered to by others.

A time to serve the church,

and a time to worship God.

***HYMN**

#125: Come, Holy Spirit, Our Souls Inspire | VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Written and led by the 4th-7th grade Sunday school class Davis Wood, Belle Harris, Maggie O'Shea, Emma Kaskawits ~ Taught by George Bollenbacher and Maxim Drake.

Dear God, I am very sorry for my sins. I have been jealous of other people's possessions, their looks, their opportunities, and their skills, when I should have been happy for them.

And I should be thankful for what I have: my possessions, my looks, my opportunities and my skills. When I see others sin, I just walk away without saying a word. Help me try to make friends with them so that both they and I are forgiven in your eyes. Help me see everyone the way Jesus saw them, so that we can all learn to forgive the way Jesus did. I ask this in Jesus' name.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Kids 8 and under are welcome to join Rev. Crawford at the front of the sanctuary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER APPRECIATION

In recognition of all the teachers, Chapel Time leaders, caregivers, and Sunday School Superintendents over this school year:

Griffin Bancroft-Baines, Hudson Bayer, Erin Blanton, Hazel Blanton, George Bollenbacher, Brad Breen, Susan Breen, Danielle Cooper, Maxim Drake, Peter Feroe, Keach Harris, Claudia Hueston, Kelly Kaskawits, Madeline O'Reilly, Erica Racine, Erin Reddy, Sebastian Sledge, Desde Visconti, Ashley Wood.

Listening for God

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Holy Spirit, fall afresh on us.

As long ago you inspired, astonished, and confused the people,
come to us now to fill our ears with the sound of your breath,
fill our eyes with the brilliance of your presence in each other,
and fill our hearts with your good Word. Amen.

SACRED SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:1-21

Joshua 1:9

Ephesians 4:32

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Courageous”

Responding in Faith

***HYMN OF THE WORD**

A Mighty Sound From Heaven | SONG OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
(music on following page)

1 A might - y sound from hea - ven at Pen - te - cost there came,
2 In Sa - lem's street was gath - ered a crowd from man - y a land,
3 Then come, all Chris-tian peo - ple, keep fes - ti - val to - day,

and filled the place of meet - ing with rush-ing wind and flame:
and all in their own tongues did the Gos-pel un - der - stand:
for God the Ho - ly Spi - rit dwells with the Church al - way:

what Christ had prom-ised now oc-curred as each A - pos - tle
for by the tri - umph of the Son the curse of Bab - el
and grieve him not, O Chris-tian soul, his grace with - in shall

spoke the word be - neath the Spi - rit's thun - der, and to the
was un - done when God did send the Spi - rit; so to the
make you whole in bo - dy, mind, and spi - rit, un - til you

ears of all who heard pro - claimed sal - va - tion's won - der.
bless-ed Three in One be hon - or, praise, and mer - it.
reach the prom-ised goal, a king - dom to in - her - it.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Confirmands: Heidi Blanton, Charlotte O'Reilly, Cameron Brown,
and Adelaide Sledge

The Apostle's Creed

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

And 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, dead, and buried,

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand

of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come

to judge the quick and the dead.

**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. Amen.**

OFFERING

To give online, scan the QR code to the right:



OFFERTORY

The Day of Pentecost from A Gregorian Liturgical Year | Gerald Near

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Oh praise Him! Alleluia!

Oh praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Response

Hear us, O God: your mercy is great.

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.

Departing in Joy

MISSION MOMENT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN**

Christ Is Coming! | UNSER HERRSCHER

(music on following page)

1 Christ is com - ing! Let cre - a - tion from its groans and
 2 Earth can now but tell the sto - ry of your bit - ter
 3 With that bless - ed hope be - fore us, flutes are tuned and
 4 Long your ex - iles have been pin - ing for your prom - ised

la - bor cease; let the glo - rious proc - la - ma - tion
 cross and pain; we shall yet be - hold your glo - ry,
 harps are strung; let the might - y ad - vent cho - rus
 rest and home, but in heav - en - ly glo - ry shin - ing,

hope re - store and faith in - crease: Christ is com - ing!
 Lord, when you re - turn to reign: Christ is com - ing!
 on - ward roll from tongue to tongue: Christ is com - ing!
 soon the ris - en Christ shall come. Christ is com - ing!

Christ is com - ing! Come, O bless - ed Prince of peace.
 Christ is com - ing! Let each heart re - peat the strain.
 Christ is com - ing! Let each heart re - peat the song.
 Christ is com - ing! Joy - ful, shout the vic - tory psalm.

***CHARGE**

Life is short and time is filled with swift transition.

**So, we don't have much time to gladden the hearts
of those who travel this thing called life with us.**

So, let's be swift to love. Let's make haste to be kind.

Let's be quick to compliment and slow to criticize.

**Let's love ourselves, because loving ourselves
is a precondition for loving our neighbor.**

**If we do these things, we might begin to approximate
what it means to do justice, love mercy,
and walk humbly before our God.**

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Carillon-Sortie | Henri Mulet

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Blaine Crawford

Music Director: Jon Riss

Nursery Care: Desde Visconti

Liturgists: the Confirmands

Acolyte: Maggie O'Shea

Ushers: Liesbeth and Annelies Parke

Coffee Hour Host: Erika O'Shea

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

NURSERY: Nursery care is available today in Classroom #2 (downstairs in John Knox Hall). Please see an usher for assistance.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Gather in the sanctuary at 10:30 a.m.; stay through Children's Time before heading down to classes.

PENTECOST OFFERING

One of four annual special offerings, the Pentecost Offering we are receiving today unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people: to encourage and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world; and to address the needs of at-risk children as well (40% of the Pentecost offering can be retained by individual congregations to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own community; the remaining 60% is used to support children-at-risk, and youth through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency).

Psalm 71 testifies that a foundation of faith established during childhood helps ensure lifelong faith and service. The patterns and lessons established during these formative years continue to bear fruit throughout a person's life. By contributing to the Pentecost Offering, you are nurturing the faith of those who are the church to come: children, youth, and young adults. Scanning the following QR code will take you to our donation page for this offering:



PENTECOST
SPECIAL OFFERINGS

CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

RIVERARTS MUSIC TOUR

Please join us for two free* concerts on June 1st, when IPC hosts a stop on the annual RiverArts Music Tour. The concerts will begin at noon and last 40 minutes each, featuring many of your talented IPC friends and select guests in musical fare that's mostly different than what you hear on Sunday mornings. Come to enjoy the wonderful music, while showing support for your church and its music program!

Heavenly Strains

The Musicians of the Irvington Presbyterian Church



Two free concerts - June 1, 2024

Part of the 2024 RiverArts Music Tour

Noon: Chamber, Vocal and Organ Music

1:00: Organ recital by Jon Riss

25 North Broadway - Irvington, NY

RiverArts

<https://2024musictour.riverarts.org/>

*A “tip jar” will be provided for donations to the IPC Concert Fund.

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OUR MISSION

Irvington Presbyterian Church is called by Jesus Christ to glorify God in worship through word and song, grow as disciples through study, engage in mission to the world, joyfully extend hospitality and fellowship to all and, with God's help, allow the Holy Spirit to work through us.

We seek to be a place of healing, where individuals can feel safe and find sanctuary from their own hurts, and can then turn that healing spirit outwards, to help others.

We believe God is calling each of us to ministry, and we seek to be a place where each member will feel helped and supported in discovering their gifts.



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