

Spreading the Good News of Christ  
Through Our Love, Words, and Actions

# “Tongues: Speaking, Fire, etc.”



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)**

535 North Ewing Street  
Helena, MT 59601

**May 20, 2018**

**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**DAY OF PENTECOST / MAY 20, 2018**

*Lay Liturgist – Les Cramer*

\* *Please stand if you are able*

PRELUDE: “Come, Holy Spirit, Lord God” *by Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)*

WELCOME

PREPARING OUR HEARTS *a time of silence*

OPENING PRAYER

\*UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

**People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

Leader: The Spirit helps us in our weakness,

**People: Interceding with sighs too deep for words.**

\* GATHERING HYMN: “On Pentecost They Gathered” See screen

CALL TO CONFESSION:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(unison)*

**God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. You send your Word to enliven us, yet we remain dry and locked in self-interest. You send your Spirit to empower us, yet we fail to dream new dreams. Forgive us, God of grace. Lead us according to your way, guide us into your truth, and deliver us from death to life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *(time for silent confession)***

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you!

**People: And also with you!**

Leader: Let us share signs of Christ’s peace with one another.

\*GLORIA PATRI

CHOIR ANTHEM

**“Come, Holy Spirit”** by *William and Gloria Gaither, arr. Don Besig*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE READING:

**Romans 8:22-27**

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ACTS READING:

**Acts 2:1-21**

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SERMON:

**“Tongues: Speaking, Fire, etc.”** **Rev. Scott Wipperman**

\*RESPONSE HYMN:

**“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”**

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ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS AND ELDERS

THE OFFERING

INVITATION TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

**“We Now Pray to the Holy Spirit”** by *Dietrich Buxtehude*

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

UNISON 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and glory forever. Amen.**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

\*SENDING HYMN:

**“Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart”**

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\*BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **“God Be With You”**

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POSTLUDE:

**“Come, God Creator, Holy Spirit”** by *Johann Walther (1684-1748)*

# CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>20</b>	10:00 am	Pentecost Worship Service / Education Hour ( <i>Installation of Deacons and Elders</i> )
		12:30 pm	AA Study Group
		2:00 pm	Lost Soles hike
<b>Monday</b>	<b>21</b>	6:00 pm	Helena X-Press Singers
		7:00 pm	Girl Scouts
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>22</b>	11:00 am	Bridge Club – ACBL Unit 411
		7:00 pm	AL-ANON meeting
		7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>23</b>	9:30 am	Willing Workers
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>24</b>	11:00 am	Bridge Club – ACBL Unit 411
		4:00 pm	Praise Band practice
		6:30 pm	Youth Group
		7:00 pm	“It’s In the Book” - AA Group
<b>Friday</b>	<b>25</b>	12:00 pm	Friday Study Group
		1:00 pm	Hand & Foot - Ruth Room
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>27</b>	10:00 am	Worship Service / Education Hour
		12:30 pm	AA Study Group

Please join the family of longtime member, Katie Spiroff, in celebrating her birthday of 90 years, Saturday, June 16, at Touchmark on Saddle drive from 2-4 pm.  
No gifts please. She would enjoy seeing you.

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## Deacons-On-Call

**Need a ride, a meal or a home  
repair? Call a Deacon on Call:**

Patti Borsberry (439-6442)  
Carol Gneckow (442-9309)

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## Ushers

### Ushers Today (20)

Elroy & Lucille Letcher  
Matthew Richards

### Ushers Next Week (27)

Kathy Chambers, Carole Massman  
Mary Wright

## Prayers for Strength and Healing

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Bob Burns	Newell Anderson
B. J. Burns	Jennifer Massman
Donna Carey	Toston LaFournaise
Elroy Letcher	Heather Voeller Waters
Louise Cramer	Court Bourne, Pastor Scott's son
Doris Casebolt	Vella Raucy, Susan Steffens' mother
Joyce Andrews	Susan Byasson, Rose Leavitt's sister
Yvonne Moody	Terry Heinecke, Barrie's sister-in-law
John Gneckow	Jamie Heinecke, Barrie's daughter-in-law
Steve Granzow	Cathy Leavitt, Rose Leavitt's daughter-in-law
Linda Granzow	Heather McAllister, Pastor Scott's daughter
Gale Johnson	Dave Westenbarger, Carol Carpenter's father
Mazie Radcliffe	

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### Please keep the Military in your Prayers

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Dan Boyer	Rick Kosticki
Barry Mattson	Robbie McCain

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### **Prayer Requests** - let us know how we can help:

If you have PRAYER NEEDS, please take advantage of our Prayer Chapel after worship, a peaceful place to commune with God. If you would like to have someone pray with you, please seek out an Elder, Deacon or the Pastor, and they will join you or find someone who will pray with you. Other options to make your prayer needs known are:

1. Prayer request cards are found on the shelves behind each pew in the sanctuary, in the Prayer Chapel, and in the youth room. Completed cards can be put in the offering plate, dropped in the prayer request box in the Prayer Chapel, or nailed to the cross in the Youth Room. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can—God knows! If you want the youth of our church to pray for you, nail the prayer request to the cross in the Youth Room.
2. Online prayer requests – go to [fpchelena.com](http://fpchelena.com) and select the button for “prayer” OR send an e-mail to [admin@fpchelena.com](mailto:admin@fpchelena.com). Your request will be directly sent to the coordinator of our prayer chain for distribution.
3. Call the church – Anyone who answers the phone can either pray with you, direct you to the Deacon on call, and/or pass on the prayer request to the prayer coordinator.

## First Presbyterian Church is having VBS again!

June 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>, 12PM – 3PM

Weird Animals VBS connects with children when they feel different by introducing them to wonderful and weird animals around the world. When "weird" means special, unique, and one-of-a-kind, kids are reminded of Jesus' special love for them and that being different is a GOOD thing!



Available for all children entering grades 1-5  
Contact Lexsey Carpenter at 406-442-4775 to register  
Accepting early registration NOW!  
\$10.00 Fee (*No child turned away if fee cannot be paid*)

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### Prayer Opportunity

This week we are praying for the congregation in Hot Springs. Hot Springs is a part of the Flathead Cluster.

The Hot Springs congregation is a joint-witness congregation combining Lutherans and Presbyterians in worship, outreach and ministry.

The Hot Springs congregation has an amazing children and youth ministry that reaches out to their entire community. They are involved in numerous other ministries, too.

The congregation is served by Pastor Risa Paul, and Session Clerk, Taylor Salmi. Please keep this wonderful congregation in your prayers this week.

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\***Lost Soles Hike -- TODAY.** Meet at the Church at **2:00 pm**, and join in an "easy," approximately 1-to-2-hour hike with your church family. Destination: to be announced.

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### T-Shirts, T-Shirts, T-Shirts

Willing Workers still need T-Shirts for making "little britches" for our Mission Sewing. Men's size S & M, Women's medium & large & Boy's large. You can place your gently worn T-Shirts in the Willing Worker's Basket in the Church Office. Thank you for your continued support of PW's mission efforts.

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### MISSION GIVING

Our church continues to bless others with our giving. This year \$1467 was contributed to One Great Hour of Sharing and \$330 was given for the winter snow relief effort in Browning. We will also have opportunities to share with others through our Pentecost offering, as well as the Farm Bundle program. Together we can make a difference.

AND  
I WILL GIVE  
**you pastors**  
ACCORDING  
TO MINE HEART,  
*which*  
SHALL FEED YOU  
WITH  
*knowledge &*  
*understanding.*  
JEREMIAH 3:15  
*www.papererestmemories.com*

## SAVE THE DATE

### ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

In honor of the tenth anniversary of the Ordination to the Ministry of our Pastor, Scott Wipperman, First Presbyterian Church of Helena will honor him with a celebration on **June 3, 2018** during our Morning Worship. This will be followed by a Reception in Richardson Hall. More information to follow.

A book of messages will be presented to Scott on June 3<sup>rd</sup> so begin writing your love letter expressing your thanks for all Scott does for this church. Letters can be placed in my box in the church office.

Elaine Gingery  
Clerk of the Session



#### Memory Verse

“You have heard that it was said, ‘Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.’ But I tell you, Do not resist an evil person. If someone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. And if someone wants to sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. If someone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles.”

- Matthew 5:38-41

#### Thought for the Week

*Democracy* = “a method of finding proximate solutions to insoluble problems.” “Man’s capacity for justice makes democracy possible; but man’s inclination to injustice makes democracy necessary.”

Reinhold Niebuhr, *The Children of Light, and the Children of Darkness*

# Welcome, Guests!

Thank you for choosing to worship with us. We pray for all of us a spiritually satisfying and challenging encounter with the Living Christ. If you would like to know more about the people and programs of this church, be in touch with our pastor, Rev. Wipperman, 442-4775, visit our website: [www.fpchelena.com](http://www.fpchelena.com), or take a copy of our monthly church newsletter, *The Mustard Seed*. If possible, return next Lord's Day!



## STAFF

### Ministers

Pastor

CRE of Pastoral Care

Director of Christian Education

Director of Music and Media

Administrative Assistant

Financial Coordinator

Organist

Nursery Care Attendant

### Every Member

Rev. Scott Wipperman

Arlyn "Butch" Plowman

Lexsey Carpenter

Les Cramer

Bruce A. Luke

Jill Lloyd

Ann Swisher

Nicole Carpenter

## ELDERS

Marsha Davis - 2018

John Gneckow - 2018

Melissa Stiles - 2018

John Warren - 2018

Linda Bench - 2019

Kathy Chambers - 2019

Marvin Carpenter - 2019

Dianna Goodman - 2019

Judy Birch - 2020

Marshall Gingery - 2020

Matthew Richards - 2020

Mary Craigle - 2020

Elaine Gingery, Clerk

## DEACONS

Carol Gneckow - 2018

Corky Lord - 2018

Carole Massman - 2018

Jim & Charlotte Meyer - 2018

Rena Bumgardner - 2019

Joy Edgar - 2019

Arlyn "Butch" Plowman - 2019

Ward & Mary Stiles - 2019

Art Bumgardner - 2020

Patti Borsberry - 2020

Rose Leavitt - 2020

Judy Patton - 2020

Pearle Plowman - 2020

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