

✙ Gathering

Words of Welcome

Prelude

Call to Worship

Wild and free, creative and refreshing,  
God's Spirit blows through this place.  
**Come, Holy Spirit!**  
Gentle and mysterious, patient and caring,  
God's Spirit moves in our hearts.  
**Come, Holy Spirit!**  
Breaking barriers and making connections,  
healing divisions and making us one,  
God's Spirit flows between us.  
**Come, Holy Spirit!**

\* Prayer of the Day

\* Hymn 291

*Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

*Refrain:*  
*Spirit, spirit of gentleness,*  
*blow through the wilderness, calling and free.*  
*Spirit, spirit of restlessness,*  
*stir me from placidness,*  
*wind, wind on the sea.*

*1 You moved on the waters;*  
*you called to the deep;*  
*then you coaxed up the mountains*  
*from the valleys of sleep;*  
*and over the eons*  
*you called to each thing,*  
*"Awake from your slumbers*  
*and rise on your wings." (Refrain)*

*2 You swept through the desert;*  
*you stung with the sand;*  
*and you goaded your people*  
*with a law and a land.*  
*When they were confounded*  
*with idols and lies,*  
*then you spoke through your prophets*  
*to open their eyes. (Refrain)*

*3 You sang in a stable;*  
*you cried from a hill;*

*then you whispered in silence  
when the whole world was still.  
And down in the city,  
you called once again  
when you blew through your people  
on the rush of the wind. (Refrain)*

*4 You call from tomorrow;  
you break ancient schemes;  
from the bondage of sorrow  
the captives dream dreams.  
Our women see visions;  
our men clear their eyes.  
With bold new decisions  
your people arise. (Refrain)*

## Prayer of Confession

**God of fire and wind,  
holy and powerful,  
mighty and mysterious,  
we are drawn by your Spirit to this place.  
As we gather and behold your glory,  
we become aware of our sin.  
We have ignored your word.  
We have rejected your gifts.  
We have failed in your work.  
Ignoring the truth of Pentecost,  
we exclude those different from us.  
We divide our loyalties,  
and we divide our hearts.  
Let your Spirit burn away our sins  
and fill us with faith and courage,  
so that we might live into the promise of this day  
and receive the fullness  
of all that you have prepared for us  
in Jesus Christ...**

## Assurance of Forgiveness

### \* Passing of the Peace

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

### \* Hymn 582

***Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me***

*1 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*2 World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

Time with the Children

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Romans 8:14–17

**14** For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. **15** For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba!<sup>[a]</sup> Father!” **16** it is that very Spirit bearing witness<sup>[b]</sup> with our spirit that we are children of God, **17** and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Anthem

Second Reading

Acts 2:1-21

**2** When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. **2** And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. **3** Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. **4** All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. **5** Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. **6** And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. **7** Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? **8** And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? **9** Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, **10** Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, **11** Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” **12** All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” **13** But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” **14** But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. **15** Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. **16** No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: **17** ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. **18** Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. **19** And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. **20** The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the

coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. **21** Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

## Pentecost Stories

### ✦ Responding

#### \* Affirmation of Faith

*Adapted from the Confession of 1967*

**God the Holy Spirit  
fulfills the work of reconciliation in human life.  
The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church  
as the community in which people are reconciled  
to God and to one another.  
The Spirit enables people to receive forgiveness  
as they forgive one another  
and to enjoy the peace of God  
as they make peace among themselves.  
In spite of their sin,  
the Spirit gives people power  
to become representatives of Jesus Christ  
and his gospel of reconciliation to all. Amen.**

#### \* Hymn 515

*I Come with Joy*

*1 I come with joy, a child of God,  
forgiven, loved, and free,  
the life of Jesus to recall,  
in love laid down for me,  
in love laid down for me.*

*2 I come with Christians far and near  
to find, as all are fed,  
the new community of love  
in Christ's communion bread,  
in Christ's communion bread.*

*3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,  
each proud division ends.  
The love that made us, makes us one,  
and strangers now are friends,  
and strangers now are friends.*

*4 The Spirit of the risen Christ,  
unseen, but ever near,  
is in such friendship better known,  
alive among us here,*

*alive among us here.*

*5 Together met, together bound  
by all that God has done,  
we'll go with joy, to give the world  
the love that makes us one,  
the love that makes us one.*

## Announcements

## Offering our Gifts

*Give at [lovejoyupc.org/give](http://lovejoyupc.org/give)  
Loose cash offerings benefit our Good Samaritan fund, which helps our  
neighbors primarily through our partners at Riverbend Family Ministries.  
Checks for offering are processed on the second and fourth Mondays of each  
month.*

## Offering of Letters

## Prayer of Dedication

## Sharing of Joys and Concerns

## Sung call to Prayer

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God, vv 1–2  
Breathe on me, Breath of God;  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love,  
and do what thou wouldst do.*

Hymn 286

*Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
until my heart is pure,  
until with thee I will one will,  
to do and to endure.*

## The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## Sanctus Hymn 552

*Holy, Holy, Holy  
1 Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
2 Blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest,  
hosanna in the highest.*

## 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.**

## Communion

*Please come down the center aisle and receive a piece of bread and a cup of juice. If you wish to receive bread in your pew, the servers will assist you. If you're joining us online, please have bread and juice/wine available to celebrate with us. All who wish to know Jesus more deeply are invited to the table.*

## Communion Meditation

## Prayer After Communion



## \*Hymn 726

### *Will You Come and Follow Me*

*1 "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"*

*2 "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?"*

*3 "Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"*

*4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"*

*5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.*

*Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.*

\* Charge & Benediction

\* Postlude


## ❖ Worship Notes

Ann French is our Director of Music. Thanks to Michael & Robert Musgrave-Perkins and Alice Buzzard for their technology gifts. Thanks also to our liturgist for the day. Parts of today's service are adapted from *The Book of Common Worship* and *Call to Worship*.

## ❖ Land Acknowledgment


The LoveJoy United community gathers on the traditional land of the Tamaroa People, who have been its faithful stewards for generations. We acknowledge and honor the past, present, and future of the Tamaroa and other Indigenous peoples who have been displaced from their ancestral homelands.

## ❖ Announcements

Announcements marked with  are opportunities that relate to our Matthew 25 commitment.

### **Ministry Fair: Where is the Spirit calling you to serve? Today after worship.**

After worship on Pentecost, the Stewardship Committee invites you to a time of learning and fellowship in Fellowship Hall. Committees and ministries of the church and community will be there to help you connect your gifts to God's mission. Some examples: serve as liturgist during worship, fix a dish for Saturday Café, be a support to our deacons, and many more!

 **MATTHEW 25 OPPORTUNITY: Offering of Letters** There are letters addressed to the two Senators from Illinois in your bulletins this morning. It's a good opportunity to live into our Matthew 25 commitment to Jesus' words when He talked about feeding the hungry. Let our Senators know how important it is to you that we, the richest country in the world, care for "the least of these." Please sign and include your address. Thank you.

### **Red Cross Blood Drive, June 19, 2–6 PM**

We invite you to give blood at the Red Cross Blood Drive. Sign up at [lovejoyupc.org/nextsteps](https://lovejoyupc.org/nextsteps)

### **Celebration of Serving Nominations**

The Presbytery is celebrating outstanding members whose commitment to the church's ministry serves as an inspiration to all of us. We invite YOU to submit the names of someone you wish to be recognized and celebrated at a Presbytery brunch in September. LoveJoy United's session will choose two of those nominations (one 50 and younger and one 50+) to the Presbytery. Please submit at [lovejoyupc.org/nextsteps](https://lovejoyupc.org/nextsteps) and click Celebration of Serving. The deadline for nominating is June 25.

### **Save the Date: Family Fun with Furry Friends Festival, Saturday, June 28, 2–4PM**

Part party and part pet blessing, you're invited to enjoy some fellowship with all ages and all manner of (leashed) critters. We'll have hotdogs for the people, treats for the animals, and activities for children and families. Join us as we open our church home to our neighbors, human and otherwise.

**Game Day is on hiatus until September 27**

Thanks for a great spring season of games. We'll be back in September!



**Food Pantry Needs:** Canned soup, your donations are always appreciated.



### **Adult Christian Education on Sunday Mornings at 9 AM**

- **Sunday Morning Live** Is an informal, conversational class that seeks to connect scripture, theology, and faith to our lives and world. Each Sunday at 9:00, they meet in the Love Room and on Zoom. They relate current events to Scripture to create thought-provoking discussions via The Wired Word.
- **Summer Adult Class on the Gospel of Mark**  
Pastor Daniel is leading a class on the Gospel of Mark on June 1 at 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Using curriculum by Amy-Jill Levine, we'll be exploring what scholars believe was the first Gospel to be written. Please sign up so we can order materials for you. Sign up on the table in the Narthex or at [lovejoyupc.org/nextsteps](http://lovejoyupc.org/nextsteps).



### **Wednesdays at LoveJoy United**

- **Lectionary Bible Study** In-Person or Zoom at 10:15 AM - Join pastor Daniel and a number of others as we discuss the scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday.
- **Lunch Bunch** gathers on Wednesdays at 11:30 AM
- **Zoom Evening Prayer** on Wednesday nights at 7 PM.

### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

JoAnn Moss, Pat Fletcher, Katie Davis, John Gremli & the Gremli Family, Connor, JoAnn Lamar, Trans folks, Kenny Slayden, Connie, Ched, Mark Carter, Abby Cotter, Tom and Jupiter, Kristi Doering, Shelly Devore (Brenda and Deb's niece), Brittany, Bill Lester, Lanny Harris, John Kennedy, Renee Lynn, Kathie Luke (Julie Spurgeon's Sister), Forrest, David Hemphill, Linda Duncan, JoJo, Terrye Mock (Valerie Freeman's Sister-In-Law), Gary Chappell and Laurie Chappell (Edie Chappell's son and her daughter-in-law).

### **NURSING & RETIREMENT HOME RESIDENTS**

Integrity Healthcare, Wood River – Herbert Peel  
The Cottages of Carlinville, Carlinville – Shirley Martin  
Villa Rose, Bethalto – Beth Forrester  
Cedarhurst, Bethalto – Mary Barnes  
Liberty Village, Jerseyville – Shirley Burris  
Villas of Holly Brook – Jeane Slayden



**NEXT STEPS  
& SIGNUPS**

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