

**First Presbyterian Church of Rolla
Worship Service for Pentecost Sunday**

May 24, 2026

Pre-Service Music: Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart Darcy Stanley

Welcome and Announcements:

Prelude: Come, Gentle Spirit John Turner

Introit #55: *Come Like Driving Wind, O God* Psalm 68 Chancel Choir

Responsive Call to Worship/Prayer of the Day

God sent forth the Spirit, and all creation rejoiced. God's breath filled the skies, the sea, the land, and all creatures.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever!

Let us sing to the Lord as long as we have breath.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!

Prayer of the Day

God of all creation, we come at last to be united in the Spirit, your gleaming fire among us, setting our hearts ablaze. We praise you with our whole being. Live in us, that we may love with your love, speak with your truth, and serve with your mercy. Keep us faithful until the very end, through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Opening Hymn #277: *Hail Thee, Festival Day!* vs. 1-5 (stand)

Call to Confession

God pours out the Spirit upon us, but we do not always welcome God's gifts.

Let us confess our doubts and fears, that we might find forgiveness and newness of life.

Prayer of Confession

Infinite God, you come to us in many colors, shapes, and languages. You speak to each of us in the way we can understand. You reach out to us and meet us where we are. But we are quick to limit you to what we can understand and control. Forgive us, and set your Spirit loose among us. Challenge us, surprise us, and open us to your power, that we might know you more deeply, follow you more faithfully, and love more fully. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Scripture is clear: everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. God draws us together, offering salvation, forgiveness, and new life to all.

Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Passing the Peace of Christ

Gloria #583: *Glory to God* English, then Latin

Anthem: *Catch the Vision! Share the Glory!* Jeffrey/Kellner

Time for sharing joys and concerns, and the prayer list.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Merciful God. **Receive our 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.

Prayer for Illumination:

God of power and grace, fill us with the wisdom of your Word and the understanding of your Spirit so that we may be your church: a people with dreams and visions at work in all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scriptures for the Day:

Old Testament Lesson: Numbers 11:24 – 30

Second Lesson: John 20:19 – 23

Gospel Lesson: Acts 2:1 – 21

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved.

Thanks be to God. 1 Corinthians 15:1–2

Sermon: *Speak Their Language* Jonathan Kimball

All authority and power and dominion to the name that is above all names—Jesus Christ our Lord—now and in the age to come. **Amen.**
Ephesians 1:21

Affirmation of Faith *Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.20*

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.

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings: (please be seated)

Offering #694: *Great God of Every Blessing* vs 1 and 3

