

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Greer, South Carolina

11:00 a.m. Worship



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Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude No. 292 *As the Wind Song* WAIRUA TAPU
Chancel Choir and Congregation

As the wind song through the trees, as the stirring of the breeze,
so it is with the Spirit of God, as the heart made strangely warm,
as the voice within the storm, so it is with the Spirit of God.
Never seen, ever known where this wind has blown bringing life,
bringing power to the world, as the dancing tongues of fire,
as the soul's most deep desire, so it is with the Spirit of God.

***Call to Worship**

God of rushing wind,
pour out your Spirit upon us.
God of fire and billowing smoke,
pour out your Spirit upon us.
God of miraculous speaking and hearing,
send your Spirit to save us.

***Hymn No. 280** *Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us* EBENEZER

Confession of Sin

God of fire and wind, even as we celebrate that you have come to dwell among us, we have missed the movement of your Spirit in our lives and in your world. We confess that we do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Forgive us for the divisions we nurture, guide us to your way, keep us in your care, and lead us into faith, by the power of the Holy Spirit who is at work within us. Amen.

Response No. 286 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* TRENTHAM
Breathe on me, Breath of God; until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

Assurance of Pardon

***Response No. 366** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* HYFRYDOL
Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit; let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

***Words of Peace**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

Invitation to the Children

Prayer for Illumination

Set our hearts aflame, O God, with a love for the truth and a desire to do your will, that our witness to Christ may burn brightly in lives of joyful discipleship; for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-21 Pew Bible, pg. 885

Sermon "Breath of God" Reverend Shelburne

Service of Confirmation

Hymn No. 486 *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise* KINGDOM

Child of God, your loving Parent, learn to listen for God's call.
Grow to laugh and sing and worship; trust and love God more than all.

Presentation

Profession of Faith

*Apostles' 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 Ghost, 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Presentation of Stoles

Welcome and Blessing

May the Lord bless you and keep you. Remember you are God's beloved.

May the Lord make His face to shine upon you.

May the Lord give you comfort and peace. Remember you are Christ's own.

May the Lord challenge and convict you, guard and guide you through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Choral Sending *A Blessing* Rickard
Chancel Choir

Offering

Offertory Anthem *Spirit of God* Garnas/Holmes

***Response No. 692** *Spirit, Open My Heart* WILD MOUNTAIN THYME

Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.

*Prayer of Dedication and the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn No. 288** *Spirit of the Living God* LIVING GOD
Sing Twice

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude**

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

arr. Nelson

* Those who are able may stand.

Welcome to worship on this Day of Pentecost. We invite you to record your presence by signing the fellowship pads located in each pew. If worshipping with us online, please share your presence by emailing Lisa Johnson at lisaj@fpcgreer.org or by completing the online attendance ritual of friendship form on our website, www.fpcgreer.org/online-attendance.

Thank you to June Schafer for assisting in worship.

Today's bulletin artwork is based on Acts 2 and is used with the permission of the artist, John Stushie.

Congratulations to our confirmands (listed with their Elder mentors): McNeill Lister (Heather Gordon), Sam Shelburne (Amy Couch), Javi Torres (Sallie Smith), and Rachel Woodward (Jessica Bruce).

Following worship, please join us on the front lawn for lemonade and cookies as we celebrate our confirmands.

Join us for VBS decorating following worship today. A pizza lunch will be provided in the gathering area. All are welcome to help prepare our facility for Snowball Mountain Challenge!

Please note the church office will be closed tomorrow, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day.

Save the date for the congregational VBS cookout on Wednesday, June 3 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$7.00 per person or \$25.00 max per family. Please RSVP in Realm or call the church office.

Summer Worship schedule begins on June 7 with regular Sunday School classes for children and adults starting at 9:00 a.m. and one worship service at 10:00 a.m.

Then, beginning July 5 and throughout the month, we will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for intergenerational Sunday School and worship at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary.

FROM THE CHURCH MILITANT TO THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

BARBARA JEAN "B.J." BALDWIN
MAY 14, 2026

"BLESSED ARE THE DEAD WHO DIE IN THE LORD."