



May 24, 2026

Day of Pentecost

10:30AM

Chimes

Welcome

Scripture – Acts 2:1-4 (standing)

Prelude

Whispering Hope

Alice Hawthorn

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship – based on Psalm 104

Call God good, my soul, and praise the Eternal.

We are here to declare our affection for You, Eternal One, our God.

You are indeed great, O living God.

You who are wrapped in glory and dressed in greatness.

For covering, You choose light—Your clothes, sunset and moonrise.

For a tent, You stretch out the heavens; for Your roof, You pitch the sky.

The clouds are Your chariots.

You are held aloft by the wind.

You make Your messengers like the winds;

the breeze whispers Your words,

Your servants are like the fire and flame.

Hymn No. 289 (standing)

On Pentecost They Gathered

Call to Confession

Prayers of Confession

Empowering God,

You gave the church

the abiding presence of Your Holy Spirit.

Look upon Your church today and hear our silent prayers ...

[silent prayer]

**Grant that, gathered and directed by Your Spirit,
we may confess Christ as Lord
and combine our diverse gifts with a singular passion
to continue his mission in this world
until we join in Your eternal praise.**

In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen!

Assurance of Forgiveness

Remembering our Baptisms

Scripture – 1 Corinthians 12:3-13

Hymn No. 288 (seated)

Spirit of the Living God

Affirmation of Faith – from the Presbyterian Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

Passing the Peace

Announcements and Invitations

Gathering of our Offerings

Offertory Music

Holy Spirit
Rosie Miles, soprano

Bryan and Katie Towalt

Doxology No. 606

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession, 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.

Scripture – Acts 2:1-21

Hymn No. 291, verses 1-2 (seated) *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

Sermon – **Color us Red**

Hymn No. 291, verses 3-4 (seated) *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

Charge and Benediction

Response

NORTHUMBRIA COMMUNITY

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever he may send you. May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm. May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you. May he bring you home rejoicing, once again into our doors.

Postlude

The Pure Celestial Fire

Samuel Sebastian Wesley



Information & Announcements

Welcome Friends and Guests!

Whether you are sharing in the worship of God with us for the first time, visiting with family or friends, or returning for a visit to your home church, we welcome you today in the name of Jesus. Please share some contact information in the red book located in the pew so we can follow up with you and make a place for you in our weekly fellowship.

Welcome, Mark Montgomery!

We are so pleased to have Mark Montgomery serving in ministry among us until mid-June as our seminary pastoral intern. He will be practicing ministry in every area of our life together as a congregation. Reach out to Mark for the same pastoral reasons you might reach out to Ralph, and also feel free to take him to lunch, have him over for dinner, or invite him to join you in your own church work. (706) 587-3987 or mrmont@bellsouth.net

Prayer Concerns

If you have a need or a request for prayer, please contact the church office.

Current Member Concerns: Jane Prentice; Evelyn Clark; Rex & Nita Tidwell; Joan Walker; Mary Alice Wilson; Annette Hutto; Sarah Morrow - *Current Friends and Family Concerns:* Margaret Yawn; Donna Carole Kitchens; Karen Kuebel (Betty Lamb's niece, sodium deficiency); Christopher Oxford (Isabel Davis's grandson); Rhonda Weaver; Kimberly Lewis (Frenchie Bowen's niece); Louise Sallstrom; Kyra Osmus; Lucile Hawkins; Barbara Barczak (Bernadette Preyna's sister); Barbara Hayes (Bernadette Preyna's friend, cardiac issues); Melissa & Chad Bamsey and daughter, Emma (Gregg & Julie Reed's granddaughter who has been diagnosed with cancer & her parents) – *Military Personnel Prayer List:* Austin Riley (David & Liz Riley's son); Joshua Sulkers (Sharon Sulkers' son); James Watwood; Carter Eddlemon (Doug & Carol Holt's grandson); James Barefoot, Austin Jones, and James Hawkins (family friends of Jennifer Whitehead)

Sanctuary Flowers

Today's flowers have been given to the glory of God by Doug and Carol Holt in celebration of their grandson, Cooper John Eddlemon, graduating from Stratford Academy.

If you would like to contribute to the weekly flower arrangements, whether in celebration of a special event or in memory of a loved one, please sign up on the board in the foyer. Arrangements are \$65 (payable to Northminster) and can be taken home with you or gifted to one of our homebound or sick members.

Adult & Children's Sunday School

Adult Sunday School meets in the community room Sunday mornings at 9AM. Our lessons, led by pastor Ralph, will continue through the end of May before we take a summer break. Children's Sunday School, for all in 5th grade and under, are invited to join us at 9:30AM in the Kidventure room upstairs.

Choir Rehearsal Schedules

A *HUGE THANK YOU* to our handbell and vocal choirs for such beautiful music these past nine months! Both choirs will be on break from rehearsals until August 19th. Choir members will continue leading hymns in worship on Sunday mornings through the month of June. If you would like to join us in the loft at 10:15AM before worship, we'd love to have you there!

Women's Bible Study

Our spring Bible study, led by Mark Montgomery, will wrap up this Wednesday, May 27th in the community room downstairs. We will have our usual two sessions - one at 10:00AM and the other at 6:00PM. We can't wait to see you there!

Fellowship Lunch – June 7th

Our 5th Sunday lunch falls in the very busy month of May, so we will instead hold this lunch Sunday, June 7th. Mark's time with us will be winding down so this lunch will be to celebrate him. Our own David Kenney, Sr. will be leading us in a hymn sing at the lunch. ***The church will be providing fried chicken and dessert and ask attendees to bring a side dish to share.*** Please let us know on your blue response sheet if you plan to attend and are able to bring a side dish.

Family Summer Nights at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

Our sister church, St. Andrews (at 501 Bass Rd.), invites you to participate in their alternative intergenerational Bible school program June 8, 9, and 10 from 5:30-7:15pm. Don't miss out on this family fun summer night experience filled with singing, story telling, food and crafts for all ages.

NORTHMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our calling at Northminster is to make disciples, to grow in faith together, and to serve others in Christ.

CONGREGATION: Ministers of the Good News; SESSION of Ruling Elders: Scott Emener; Amy Maley; Nita McCord;

Brad Miles; Renae Preyna; Gregg Reed; Jeanne Roddenberry; Amanda Smith; Sharon Sulkers; Natalie Vernon

RALPH HAWKINS, Pastor and Teaching Elder DAVID KENNEY, SR., Music Director PAUL EVANS, Parish Associate

MARK MONTGOMERY, Pastoral Intern SAM ALDERMAN, III, Clerk of Session JENNIFER WHITEHEAD, Ministry Assistant

Office hours: Monday - Friday 9:00-1:00; Jennifer Cell: 478-318-7911

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