

THE LORD'S DAY

Day of Pentecost

May 24, 2026



St. Andrew

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)



Community

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Bound together in love and service.

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jackie Farmer, Worship Leader

PRELUDE Meditation on “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” and “Spirit of the Living God”
TRENTHAM & LIVING GOD

*UNITY HYMN (**stand as we are able*)

AURELIA

In Unity, we gather to worship and rejoice.

From our own faith traditions, we pray with one strong voice:

**Lord, help us love each other and serve all those in need,
and live as your disciples – in heart and word and deed.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

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!

*HYMN – No. 282 GTG

Come Down, O Love Divine

DOWN AMPNEY

*OPENING PRAYER

Holy God, like a rushing wind, your Spirit moved upon the first disciples
on the day of Pentecost, and like a purifying fire

your Spirit seared their hearts and minds with the message of salvation.

Send your Spirit upon your church in this time and place,

stir up our courage, and rouse us for prophetic witness,

that we may join with them to proclaim to the world your mighty deeds of power in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

***CALL & PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God has promised that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. Therefore, let us call upon the Lord, confessing our sins.

God of new creation,

we confess that we have failed to trust your bountiful goodness.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, you brought forth the earth and its creatures in abundance.

Yet, we hoard earth's resources and refuse to share your gifts.

We dishonor your generosity by withholding our charity to those in need.

We betray your kindness by dealing harshly with our enemies.

We disregard your compassion by severely judging the sins of others. Forgive us.

By the power of your Spirit, renew our hearts and free us from sins that we may enjoy the fullness of your blessing upon all creation. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Sisters and brothers, God offers forgiveness of our sins and the grace of repentance. Accept God's grace, repent of your sin, and be restored to abundant life.

***RESPONSE – No. 581 GTG**

Glory Be to the Father

Gloria Patri

***PASSING THE PEACE**

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

And also with you.

(As a forgiven people, greet and share the Peace of Christ with one another.)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Alan Peters, Reader

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.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Numbers 11:24-30; Acts 2:1-21

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*HYMN – No. 291 GTG

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

SPIRIT

*GOSPEL READING: John 20:19-23

Reverend Stanley Larson

Holy wisdom, holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

*AFFIRMATION: Pg. 38 4-5 GTG

A Brief Statement of Faith

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Bountiful are God's gifts to us. In gratitude, let us offer our hearts and the fruit of our labor to God's service. (Please place tithes and offerings in one of the designated offering plates at the entrance to the sanctuary.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, by your grace, accept the fruit of our labor and the offering of our lives. Let us be a sacrifice of thanksgiving in union with our risen Lord, who lives and reigns with you forever. **Amen**

*DOXOLOGY – No. 606 GTG

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD 100th

PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING

*HYMN – No. 292 GTG

As the Wind Song

WAIRUA TAPU

*CHARGE & BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

Improvisation on "Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

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Welcome friends! May the welcome you feel here be worthy of the gracious God that we serve. In this service, an asterisk (*) invites you to stand as health allows. Material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say. Let us worship God!

The **Wednesday Night Live** menu for this week features King Ranch Chicken, a side salad, dessert, and a beverage. The cost is \$10 for adults, with reduced prices for children. Please RSVP by 11:30 pm on Monday. You may sign up on Sundays using the link in the e-newsletter or by contacting the church office at 903-758-4952.

Pride East Texas, we do have the Tree of Life shirts here in the office. Please come by and pick up your shirt. The price is \$17 per shirt. We take both checks and cash. For questions, please call Kathy W at 903.758.4952.

Peace with Justice Sunday — May 31, 2026

Peace with Justice Sunday is one of six church-wide Special Sundays designated to support ministries and causes important to the entire United Methodist Church. On this day, we come together to support ministries that work for peace and fairness around the world. It's a day when the church speaks out against violence and inequality and renews its commitment to be peacemakers—just as Jesus taught. ~ Romans 12:9-10

Fifth Sunday Potluck – May 31st, following worship. Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share; the church will provide fried chicken.

Grace Presbytery's Social Justice and Public Witness Committee received several requests from congregations for guidance on how we can help the migrant community. As a result, the SJPW committee is presenting a Zoom seminar on **June 18, 2026, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.**, titled "Supporting the Safety and Welfare of Migrants: How Our Congregations Can Be Involved." There will be both a theological framework and direct opportunities for migrant advocacy, along with collaboration with other congregations and organizations. No matter where you reside within Grace Presbytery, we hope you can join us as we discern how to care for our community. There are posters throughout the church with a QR code to register for the event, and you can also register using the QR code in the newsletter.

<https://gracepresbytery.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/Revised-How-your-Congregation-can-be-Involved.png>