

Pentecost Sunday
Graduate Sunday
May 23, 2021

WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

The Prelude

Processional on Psalm 150
Based on "Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above" by Charles Wesley

setting by Alice Jordan

WE APPROACH OUR GOD

The Welcome

The Graduate Procession

Pomp and Circumstance

Edward Elgar

The Call to Worship

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

People: For God has done wondrous things for us.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with the power of the rushing wind that we may faithfully serve You in all that we do.

People: For Christ has called each of us and blessed us!

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Be with us today.

People: Help us to boldly proclaim Christ Risen. Amen.

The Pentecost Song

Come, Holy Spirit

Mike Dertien

The Recognition of Our High School Graduates

The Prayer for the Graduates

*The Songs

King of Kings
Set a Fire

Brooke & Scott Ligertwood, Jason Ingram
Will Reagan

The Pentecost Story

from Acts 2

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: For the Holy Spirit, whom You sent to be with us.

People: Thank You, Lord!

Leader: For the Holy Spirit, who helps us believe in Jesus.

People: Thank You, Lord!

Leader: For the Holy Spirit, who helps us tell others about Jesus.

People: Thank You, Lord!

Leader: For the Holy Spirit, who helps us know right from wrong.

People: Thank You, Lord!

Leader: For the Holy Spirit, who helps us care for others.

People: Thank You, Lord!

Leader: For the Holy Spirit, who helps us do what God wants us to do.

People: Thank You, Lord!

*The Pentecost Song

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

The Confession of Sin

Leader: On this Pentecost Sunday, we come before You to confess our sins.

**People: Lord, we confess our division, for we are not gathered together as Your people in one place;
and we fear the rush of Your Spirit in our lives and what it might call us to do or to be.**

Leader: We confess that we are not open to hearing many voices even though You allowed the early church to transcend all language,
not favoring one over another.

**People: We confess that our actions that can be like the crowds that taunt and torment, mocking those who are filled with
Your Spirit that burns like fire and rushes like wind.**

Leader: On this Pentecost Sunday, Lord, help us to let down our barriers to Your Spirit;

**People: Lord, guide us to live with joy and faithfulness, and create in us new hearts to be new people who
worship You alone. Amen.**

The Assurance of Forgiveness

2 Corinthians 5:17-18

Leader: Those who are in Christ are a new creation: everything old has passed away and everything has become new!

All this is from God with whom we have been reconciled through Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

The Prayer for Illumination

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD
Spirit of the Living God

Daniel Iverson, Michael Baughen, IVERSON

The Scripture Lesson

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

The Message

"The Companion Has Come!"

The Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GOODNESS
Breathe on Me, Breath of God

*The Sending Song

Edwin Hatch, Robert Jackson, TRENTHAM

*The News of the Church Alive

*The Benediction

*The Postlude

Revive Us Again

John J. Husband, arr. Mark Hayes

*All who are able, please stand

Worship Leaders: Preaching – Pastor Bud Pratt; Liturgists – Kathy Geurink, Jeff Watson; Organist – Beth Sweers; Praise Team

Please follow our church social media pages:

Instagram: [frcgrandville](#)

Facebook: First Reformed Church

Stewardship Update:

May 16 Collection Plate	\$ 7,692.00
Online Giving:	<u>\$ 4,977.00</u>
Total Offering:	\$ 12,669.00

Average weekly offering needed to make 2021 budget	\$ 16,975.00
2021 Annual budget	\$882,740.00

Outstanding Mortgage Balance \$ 73,500.00

Text to Give - 616-208-4301

Sunday School – 3 years old – 5th grade in-person Sunday School will meet during the worship service in the Assembly room downstairs but SIGN-UP is required. Contact Angie to sign up: angie@firstgrandville.org or 616-828-6580.

Middle School Youth Group today (6th – 8th grade) – meets in the Family Life Center from 4:00-5:30pm.

High School Youth Group today (9th-12th grade) – meets in the Family Life Center from 6:30-8:00pm.

Youth Mission Trip fundraiser:

- **Pop can drive** - There will be a labeled trash can in the Youth Lounge all year for you to drop off your empty cans.
- **Spring Clean Up** – Saturday May 22. Youth will come do any of your spring outside yard work. Email Jeff Watson – jeffw@firstgrandville.org

College Graduates – If you graduated from college this year please send us your name, college you graduated from, and your degree to mail@firstgrandville.org by May 31 to publish in the June 6 bulletin.

New consistory members - the following members have been elected to serve on Consistory until 2024:

Elders - Steve DeVette, Kim Donze, Chad Holleman, Sue Plasman

Deacons - Mark Donker, Ron Hasper, Bryce Lutke, Anne Potyraj

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH PRAYERS & CONCERNS

For prayer updates during the week, please call the **Prayer Line** – 534-0113

We extend prayers of healing & comfort for:

- **Crystal Baum**, for her health. She had a rough week but is on the mend.
- **BJ Veneklasen**, starting her 3rd round of chemo.
- **Angie Dragicevich**, recovering from surgery.
- **Dennis Hodges**, recovering from brain surgery.
- **Roy DeJonge**, having eye surgery on June 3.
- **Roger Tuinstra**, under the care of hospice at American House.
- Janet Pofahl's granddaughter, **Erica**, was involved in a serious bus accident in Georgia and is hospitalized with severe burns.
- Pray for anyone affected in any way by **the Corona virus**.
- **Continued prayers for: Dave Krombeen, Trudie Wierda, Don Alderink, Karin Dykstra, Chuck Duimstra, Curt Stoel, Jakob Kempema, Rikki Leanne DePuy.**

We extend Christian Sympathy to:

- The **family and friends of Dorothy VanderLaan**, who passed away May 17.

Please keep all our military troops in your prayers, especially:

- **Dustin Lambries, Jeremy Stegehuis, Jeff Shuck & Tony Shuck** (Betty Isenga's grandsons), **Edward Peter Tolhurst** (Pat Bird's nephew), **Ben Westrick**

Please keep in your hearts and minds:

- Our **Family at Home members** – Eloise Anderson, Judy Baartman, Crystal Baum, Norma Boss, Helen Dertien, Karin Dykstra, Arlene Jacobitz, Ev Lindhout, Pat Marcusse, Kay Mekkes, Janet Pofahl, Evelyn Watson, Mary Zomerlei

Maple Tree Preschool Registration - Preschool registration for 2021-2022 has begun! If you know of a family looking for a preschool, please have them check out www.mapletreepreschool.org and [Maple Tree Preschool's Facebook page](#).