

The First Congregational Church of West Brookfield

United Church of Christ




June 8, 2025

10 a.m.

PENTECOST
ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Words in **bold** are to be spoken in unison.*

 *Please stand as you are able.*

Congregational Announcements

Karen Murphy

Pastoral Greeting

Prelude and Candle Lighting

Call to Worship

Linda Daskowski

Come, Holy Spirit, shine forth with your glorious light!

Come, Lover of the poor; Come, Generous Spirit; Come, Light of our hearts!

Holy Spirit, Creator! In the beginning, you moved over the waters, and from your breath all creatures draw their life. Without you, every living creature turns to dust.

Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Holy Spirit, Counselor! By your inspiration the people of God and the prophets spoke and acted in faith. You clothed them in your power, to be bearers of your Word.

Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Holy Spirit, Power! Of your infinite goodness, set us aflame with that fire of divine love which Christ brought upon the earth and longed to see ablaze.

Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

Prayer for Transformation and New Life Linda Daskowski

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon the gathered disciples, creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith.

We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us.

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.

Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

 Hymn “On Pentecost They Gathered” #334

Call to Offering and Offertory Music

(Offering plates are in the front and rear of the sanctuary for your gifts; you may place them in the plates during the music)

✠ Doxology

#34 (*Old 100th*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
One God, triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

Blessing of Offering

Youth Message

Scripture Readings Numbers 11:24-30
 Acts 2:1-21

Response: **Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

Special Music

Stephen Page

Sermon “*A Conspiracy of Goodness*” Rev. Dennis TeBeest

✠ Hymn “Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song” #327

Prayers of the People

Pastoral Prayer

The 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.

✠ Hymn “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

#326

(please remain standing for the benediction)

✠ Benediction

(please be seated)

Postlude





Our Mission and Vision Statement:

We are a church where all are welcome to worship together, to share in fellowship and to grow spiritually in our journey with Christ. We value justice, diversity, and freedom of expression. We strive to serve our community and all God's creation and to spread the love of God to all people.

Welcome members, friends, and visitors to our service this morning! If you are a guest with us, we invite you to sign our guest register and/or fill out a visitor card. Activity bags are available in the back of the sanctuary for children who are with us in worship.

Prayer Requests

Would you like to ask for prayers for someone? You may write your request in the red prayer book on the table located in the back of the sanctuary. A deacon will share them with the pastor. Please see a deacon with any questions.

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