

Summer Vibes

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 12, 2026

A photograph of a forest floor with moss and sunlight filtering through the trees. The sun is low in the sky, creating a warm, golden glow and lens flare. The trees are tall and thin, with green foliage. The foreground is covered in a thick layer of green moss.

SET YOUR MIND

First
Church

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WE GATHER

Welcome

Pastor Kory

Prelude

"Holy Spirit"

By Katie & Bryan Torwalt
Charis Vander Plaats, Piano

Centering Words

L: We gather today in the midst of busy lives and hectic schedules that mirror the chaotic pace of the world around us.

P: We come to set our minds on the guidance of the Spirit.

L: We gather as people inundated with constant information, fast-moving news cycles, and ever-present alerts vying for our attention.

P: We come to set our minds on the guidance of the Spirit.

L: We gather as people seeking to anchor ourselves in the faith as the world around us is blown to and fro by waves of fear, scarcity, and reactivity.

P: We come to set our minds on the guidance of the Spirit.

L: Beloved, come. Come to find rest, grounding, and guidance in the Spirit who dwells in you.

P: We come to set our minds on the Spirit who guides us and draws us together toward life, peace, and flourishing. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, January 2026.

Opening Song

Spirit of God

Opening Prayer

Loving God, you created life in us and all around us. Open us to receive your gifts of your world and your word that we may be not just hearers of the word, but doers also. Amen.

Written by Rev. Ruth Garwood and posted on the Worship Ways website at
https://www.ucc.org/worship-way/pentecost_6_july_12/.

WE PROCLAIM

The Message to Young Disciples

The New Testament Lesson

Romans 8:1-11

Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law--indeed, it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, then the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

L: The Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us.

P: Thanks be to God.

The Message

Pastor Kory

Message in Music

"Rainbow" Arr. Mark Brymer
Raphaella Vander Plaats, Vocal

WE RESPOND

The Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Kory Pritchett

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Generosity

Sharing the Peace of Christ

WE GO FORTH

Closing Song

Trust And Obey

The Benediction

Pastor Kory

May the Spirit who dwells in you bless you with open minds to receive God's wisdom, open hearts to follow God's guidance, and open doors that we may together build God's kingdom of life and peace on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

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The Postlude

"And Can It Be?"

Arr. Carolyn Hamlin

Charis Vander Plaats, Piano

Prayers

Concerns Shared

All in need of prayer

Those In Memory Care

Pat Staver

Active Military

As we update our list of active military personnel, we invite First Church families to share the names of any immediate family members currently serving. Please contact the church office at info@fumcwl.org and include each military member's name and rank.

AWR1 Isaiah Hale

CDR James Beaty

LCDR Alex Turco

PFC Christopher Kuney

Worship Team

Audio/Visual

Livestream:

Dustin Coolman

Slides:

Sharon Wong

Soundboard:

Isabel Burton

Musicians

Piano:

Charis Vander Plaats

Vocals

Alto:

Gail Polles

Soprano:

Karen Hull

Pastors

Lead Pastor:

Kory Pritchett

Worship Leaders

Director of Music and Arts:

Charis Vander Plaats

First Up Band Director:

Kory Pritchett

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Spirit of God



1. Spir - it of God, bright Wind, breath that bids life
 2. Spir - it of God, bright Dove, grant us your peace
 3. Spir - it of God, bright Hands, e - ven in far -
 4. Spir - it of God, bright Flame, send us in your ho -
 5. Spir - it of God in all, we glad - ly hear



be - gin, blow as you al - ways do; cre -
 and love, heal - ing up - on your wings for
 off lands you hold all the hu - man race in
 ly name, the pow - er to heal, to share your
 your call, the life in our hands that sings, the



ate us a - new. _____ Give us the breath
 all liv - ing things. _____ For when we live
 one warm em - brace. _____ No mat - ter where
 love ev - ery - where. _____ We can - not fail
 power of your wings. _____ Born of your grace



to sing, lift - ed on soar - ing wing, }
 your peace, cap - tives will find re - lease, }
 we go, you hold us to - geth - er so, }
 or fall, or know de - feat at all, }
 we rise, love shin - ing in our eyes, }



held in your hands, _____ borne on your wings. _____



Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia!

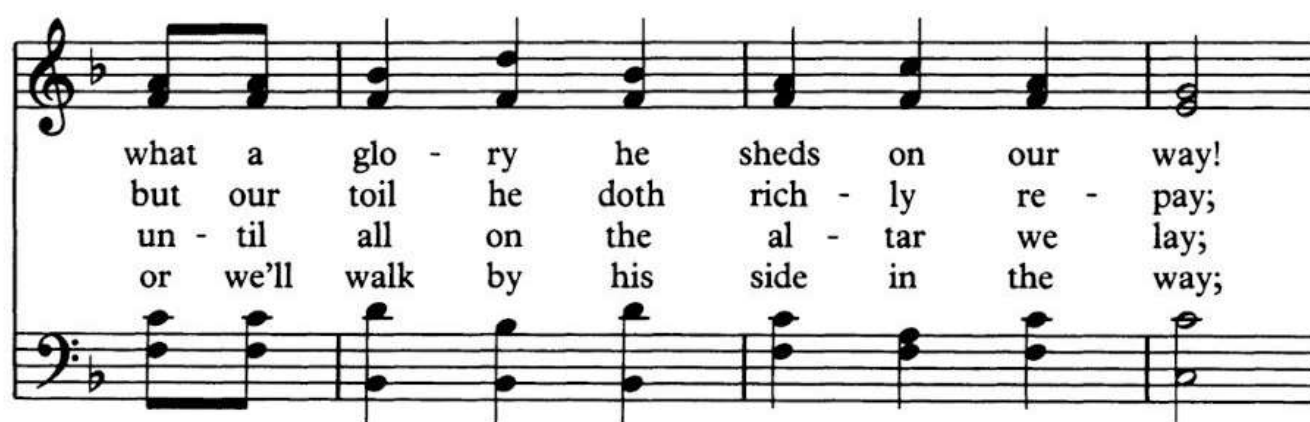


Come, Spir - it, come! _____ come! _____

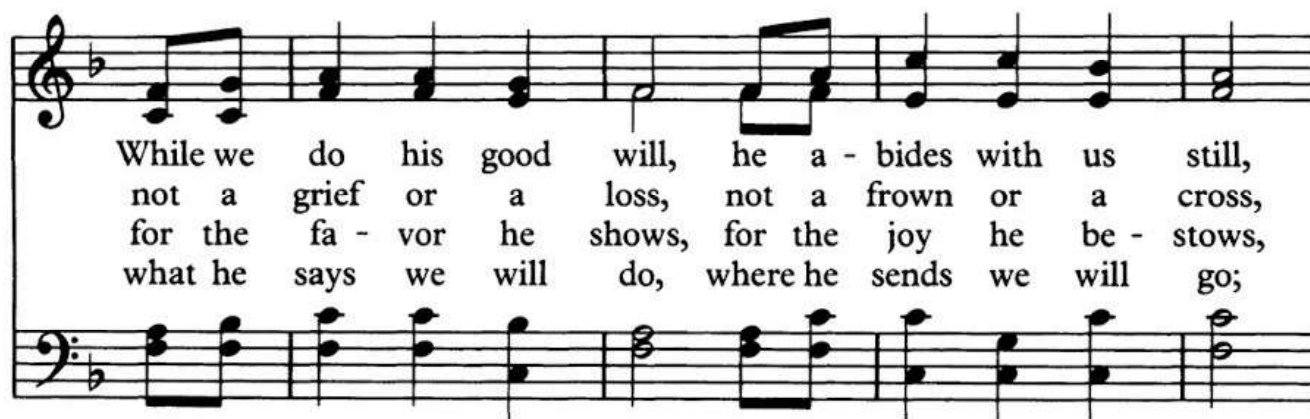
Trust and Obey



1. When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word,
 2. Not a bur - den we bear, not a sor - row we share,
 3. But we nev - er can prove the de - lights of his love
 4. Then in fel - low - ship sweet we will sit at his feet,



what a glo - ry he sheds on our way!
 but our toil he doth rich - ly re - pay;
 un - til all on the al - tar we lay;
 or we'll walk by his side in the way;



While we do his good will, he a - bides with us still,
 not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross,
 for the fa - vor he shows, for the joy he be - stows,
 what he says we will do, where he sends we will go;



and with all who will trust and o - bey.
 but is blest if we trust and o - bey.
 are for them who will trust and o - bey.
 nev - er fear, on - ly trust and o - bey.

Refrain

Trust and o - bey, for there's no oth - er way to be

hap - py in Je - sus, but to trust and o - bey.

WORDS: John H. Sammis, 1887 (1 John 1:7)
 MUSIC: Daniel B. Towner, 1887

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