

Sunday, May 20, 2018

Worship Notes:

Your offerings and tithes may be placed in the offering box before worship, during the time of greeting or following the service. The offering box is located at the rear of the sanctuary.

Our Community Gathers

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship** (**you are invited to stand if you are able*)

Leader: Holy Spirit, build well the fire in our hearts this day.

ALL: Fan us to flame that all will see the Christ-presence of love blazing in our midst.

Leader: Burn the witness on our tongues: Christ's Spirit lives among us.

ALL: Jesus Christ, our risen Lord, has set his church on fire with strength and boldness and power.

Leader: Holy Spirit, build well the fire in our hearts this day.

ALL And may we be your witnesses to the ends of the earth.

Invocation *Pastor Rich*

***Let's greet one another with friendship and love!**

***Opening Hymn** 'Spirit of the Living God' Ch #259

Old Testament Reading Psalm 104: 24-34, 35b *Donita Pate*

Prayers of the Gathered and The Lord's Prayer

Our Community Hears the Word and Responds

Sacred Reading Acts 2: 1-21 (pg. 119 NT)

Morning Message *Pastor Rich Pate*
"The Answer is Blowin In The Wind"

Our Community Celebrates the Sacred Table

We celebrate a fully open communion table. All those who believe in Christ our Savior, are invited to receive the Bread of Life and Cup of Hope.

Communion 'Surely the Presence of the Lord' Ch #263
(2 x)

Passing and receiving of Bread and Cup
You are invited to eat the bread once you receive it. Please hold the cup until you are invited to drink together.

Prayer of Offering and Dedication *Donita Pate*

Holy Spirit of God, we dedicate our lives through the dedication of our gifts. We ask for your bold winds to magnify and multiply our tangible gifts to further your work of liberation, justice, and charity here and around the world. Amen

***Sending Song** 'Every Time I Feel the Spirit' Ch #592
vs. 1 & 3

Blessing
May God take your hands, and work through them, take your lips, and speak through them, take your minds, and think through them, take your hearts, and set them on fire with love; by the power of Christ who goes with you. Amen

"Our Worship has ended - - Now our Service begins"

Scriptures for Sunday, May 27th

Old Testament reading: Isaiah 6: 1-8

Elder Old Testament reading: Psalm 29

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We will have a punch and cake reception following worship next Sunday to honor our graduates. There will be a basket for cards. High School grads are Nate Whitmer, Summer Brightbill and Peter Zimmerman. College grads are Chantelle Brady and Rachel Burgett.

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Graduation parties!

Rachel Burgett – Today 1:30 – 3:30 At Linders (on South St.)

Nate Whitmer – Fri. June 8th 6:00 –9:00 Here at the church.

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Our Random Act of Kindness for the rest of the month is to call a distant friend or family member just to say “hello”.

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We have been working with Spire Advertising who has updated our church webpage www.firstchristianashland.org. It was unveiled last week. You might want to go and check it out!

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Please pray for our shut-ins and homebound

Joyce Bradley, Sherry Burns, John Cochie, Pauline Deever, Jane Foster, Dick Gordon, Carol Imhoff, Betty Imperio, Bernice Lambert, Bob McCormic, Jane McVey, Kate Miller, Wanda Mish, Dick Scott, Wayne Smith, Ed Snook, Gertrude & Keith Sparks & Dale Wells. Also pray for Al & Bev Zimmerman who both have health issues. A visit, call or a card means so much to those members and friends who can't be here with us each week.

Pentecost Sunday

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