

Parkwood UMC Service of Worship  
Pentecost Sunday  
May 24, 2026

† Please stand as you are able.



QR Code for Nursery  
Sign-In and Out Log  
Desiree Davis-Omburo

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements  
*Chiming the Trinity*

Pastor Adam

† *Opening Song/Prayer* “Spirit of the Living God”(x2) **UMH 393**

† *Call to Worship*—by Dr. Lisa Hancock, UMC Discipleship Ministries Sarah Bender  
Beloved, the Spirit of Truth gathers us here to receive and discern God’s good news working among us.

**Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

The Spirit of Love draws us together to receive and restore life-giving relationships with God and one another.

**Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

The Spirit of Freedom knits us together to receive and renew the bonds of empathy, justice, and peace that bind us together in the work for liberation and wholeness.

**Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

Beloved, the Holy Spirit is here, moving and working among us. Will you come and receive all the Spirit has to give?

**We come to receive the Spirit’s abundant and gracious gifts that we may be a people who live out God’s truth, love, and freedom in our neighborhood, community, and throughout all creation. Amen**

† *Opening Prayer* Sarah Bender

**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.**

† *Song* “God of Wonders” **WS 3034**

† *Song* “Holy Spirit”

*The children may now leave with volunteers for the nursery*

*Prayer for Illumination*

**Almighty God, by the power of your Holy Spirit, speak to us in the language of our hearts, that we may hear your Word with understanding and respond with courage. Amen.**

*New Testament Reading* Acts 2:1-21 Sarah Bender

*Gospel Reading* John 20:19-23

*Prayer of Confession*—by Beth Merrill Neel, with Permission Sarah Bender

The act of confessing our sin is not simply a recitation of our faults and wrongs, but also an opportunity to receive God’s mercy and share in that abundant grace. Confident of God’s love for us, let us offer our prayers, first in silence.

*Silent prayer*

**Holy God, we ask for your help, your power, your Spirit, so that we can amend our lives and grow more each day into the image of Christ. We confess that we fear what is different. We confess that it’s easier to lock the doors of our community than to receive those who don’t look like we look, love like we love, or vote the way we vote. We confess that we have not lived out your call to share in abundant life and unconditional love. We believe that you have the power to turn us around to a more inclusive way of living, so we ask you to do that. We ask you to give us the courage to change. We ask that you give us the energy, intelligence, imagination, and love to be your people in all we say and do. Amen.**

*Words of Forgiveness* Sarah Bender

Friends, while the disciples were not perfect and walled themselves off from others in a house by themselves, God filled them anew to go out and join with others in new and lifegiving ways. Our God is abundant with grace!

† *Peace of Christ*

*The Offering and Song* “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” **UMH 530**



**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God all creatures high and low.**

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:  
Creator, Word, and Spirit One. Amen.

*Doxology*

*Prayer over the Offering*

*Sermon*

*Prayers of the People*

*You are invited to pray during this time, however the Spirit moves you—if that's in your seat, at the altar, aloud on the microphone, etc. However you feel the Spirit move, please pray.*

*The Lord's Prayer*

†*Song:*

“Spirit Song”

UMH 397

†*Closing Song:*

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

UMH 404

†*Benediction*

†*Chiming the Trinity*

†*Postlude*

Pastor Adam

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“Pentecost,” by St. Shenouda Monastery

## Christianity's Surprise A Spirit of Peace and Disruption

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