

Order of Worship for Sunday, May 24, 2026 - Pentecost

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For the transformation of the world, we make disciples. We study God's Authentic Word and offer praise and worship to strengthen each other for mission field beyond the church walls.

† - Please rise in body or spirit where you see the cross

CENTERING WORDS We wait for your Spirit, O God. Stretch our imaginations that we may see y our presence in every person.

† SERVICE OF THE ACOLYTE – (The Sanctuary Song, twice) *Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy tried and true, with thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

† CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Lord, our hearts are on fire this day!

P: Set the blazes of hope that burn away fear!

L: Lord, we come here to be empowered to serve you.

P: Cause the winds of change to blow away doubt and alienation!

L: Praise to God who has brought to us the Holy Spirit!

P: Let us worship and rejoice, for God is challenging and empowering us this day!

† OPENING PRAYER

Spirit of wind and fire, come to us this day, freeing us from our fears. Lift us up when we have fallen. Dust us off and set us squarely on the path to hope you have set before us. Remind us that we are never far from your presence. Get us ready for the great adventure and opportunities that lie before us. Help us to be good and willing workers for you. In Christ's Name, we pray. AMEN.

† OPENING HYMN Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty UMH #64

† BLESSING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS – DOXOLOGY *Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

JOYS AND CONCERNS - PASTORAL PRAYER (The Lord's Prayer – "trespasses")

PASSING OF THE PEACE [St. James UMC and Sprucetown UMC]

HYMN OF PREPARATION Breathe On Me, Breath of God UMH #420

SELECTED SCRIPTURE Numbers 11:24-30 // John 20:19-23 // Acts 2:1-21, 37-42

MESSAGE Ready to Be Moved

† CLOSING HYMN Holy Spirit, Truth Divine UMH #465

† COMMISSION & BLESSING

Reflection: The Holy Spirit does not merely comfort the Church;
the Holy Spirit moves the Church.

PENNS VALLEY CHARGE ANNOUNCEMENTS – Calendar also on PennsValleyParish.info

- Lay Servant Ministries Basic Course has been rescheduled for September 17 & 18, 2026.

Consider taking this course to learn more about the church, our Methodist tradition and how church life is ordered. You will find registration information on our website and details on a flyer on the bulletin board. Anyone attending a Methodist Church is invited to take the course.

- We are a collection partner for Angel Packs items for victims of human trafficking. The list of items needed is available near the collection bin. Thank you for supporting FierceLove4Good!

- We are collecting new erasers and hand towels for Mission Central care kits! These will become part of back-to-school kits that will help underprivileged children be ready to learn this fall.

Donation box is near the church entry door. We are collecting until May 31st.

- May 27 – Soup Kitchen at St. James. For information about this ministry, contact Paula Smith.

- May 31 – Trinity Sunday: Celebrate the mystery of God's partnership in creation – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – calling us to join in God's ongoing work of love and renewal.

- June 4 & 18 – Ladies Coffee & Conversation, St. James in Coburn at 9:30am. All ladies welcome!

- June 4-6 – 2026 Susquehanna Annual Conference in Williamsport. Pastor Theresa and our Lay Member to AC, Beth Brown, attending. Share any input you have regarding resolutions up for vote in writing to either Beth or the pastor by Sunday, May 31st. The full conference workbook is available on the Annual Conference page of SUSUMC.org. The resolutions section is available on our website.

- July 1 – St. James Trustees meet at 6:30pm, Ad Board at 7pm. Contact Paula Smith if you know you are unable to attend. All are invited to help with the business of the church.

Visit our church's website at PennsValleyParish.info

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