

“Eat something, because you have a difficult road ahead of you.”⁸ Elijah got up, ate and drank, and went refreshed by that food for forty days and nights until he arrived at Horeb, God’s mountain.⁹ There he went into a cave and spent the night. The LORD’s word came to him and said, “Why are you here, Elijah?”¹⁰ Elijah replied, “I’ve been very passionate for the LORD God of heavenly forces because the Israelites have abandoned your covenant. They have torn down your altars, and they have murdered your prophets with the sword. I’m the only one left, and now they want to take my life too!”

¹¹The LORD said, “Go out and stand at the mountain before the LORD. The LORD is passing by.” A very strong wind tore through the mountains and broke apart the stones before the LORD. But the LORD wasn’t in the wind. After the wind, there was an earthquake. But the LORD wasn’t in the earthquake.¹² After the earthquake, there was a fire. But the LORD wasn’t in the fire. After the fire, there was a sound. Thin. Quiet.¹³ When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his coat. He went out and stood at the cave’s entrance. A voice came to him and said, “Why are you here, Elijah?”

¹⁴He said, “I’ve been very passionate for the LORD God of heavenly forces because the Israelites have abandoned your covenant. They have torn down your altars, and they have murdered your prophets with the sword. I’m the only one left, and now they want to take my life too.”

¹⁵The LORD said to him, “Go back through the desert to Damascus and anoint Hazael as king of Aram.

TODAY’S MESSAGE ***Why Are You Here?*** Rev. Glen Shedlock

SONG #442 New Century Hymnal *Higher Ground*

BENEDICTION

PRAYER

One: If one dream should fall and break into a thousand pieces, never be afraid to pick one of those pieces up and begin again. That’s the beauty of being alive!

All: **We can always start over again. Enjoy God’s amazing opportunities bestowed upon us. Have faith in God always. Amen!**

RESPONSE *Spirit of God* Steve Garnaas Holmes

Spirit of God, bright Flame, send us in your holy name,
the power to heal, to share your love everywhere.
We cannot fail or fall, or know defeat at all,
held in your hands, born on your wings.
Alleluia! Come, Spirit, Come!

POSTLUDE *Fairest Lord Jesus* arr. Jerry Ray

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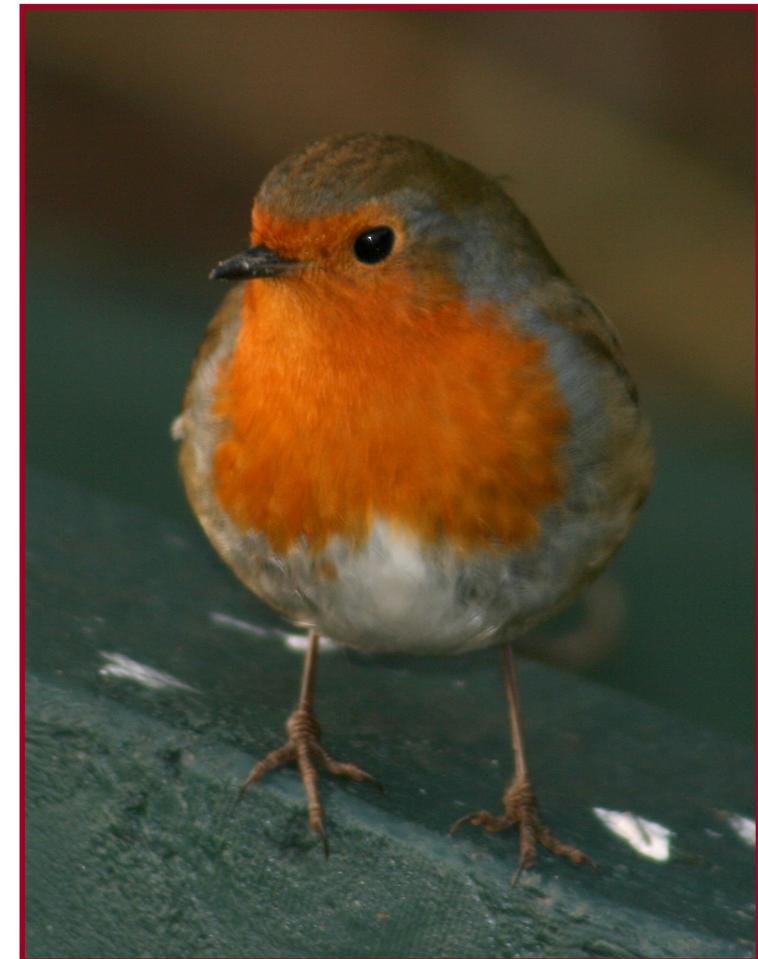
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2nd Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUST BREATHE: (moments for silent reflection) St. John of the Cross
One: However softly we speak, God is so close to us that God can hear us;
nor do we need wings to go in search of God, but merely to seek solitude
and contemplate God within ourselves, without being surprised to find
such a Good Guest there.

PRELUDE *Arirang* arr. Christopher Norton
Traditional Korean Melody

PENTECOST CALL TO WORSHIP John Richards
One: Come and worship, all you who love and serve the Lord—outsiders and
insiders, old-timers and new-comers, the young, the young at heart and
the in-between. No matter who you are or where you are on life's
journey, you are welcome here.

**Many: For this is God's house—a house of prayer for all people,
and God welcomes each one who comes unconditionally.**

SONG #22 New Century Hymnal *Sing Praise to God, Who Has Shaped*

OUR GATHERING PRAYER John Richards
One: Friends and Followers of Jesus, let us join our hearts and voices in saying
aloud what we believe to be True:

**Many: We believe in God, Creator of all, who is not in earthquake, wind, or
fire, but who is Divine Mystery.**

**We trust in Jesus, who is the Christ, who is Love. He taught and
healed; he cast out evil and saved the wretched. He heard
your word in the poor and the powerless, and in the ordinary
things of life. By the forces of violence and oppression he
was killed; by God's grace he was raised again, and lives
among us, healing, blessing, and speaking God's Word of
love to us.**

**We listen to the Holy Spirit, God's presence in us, who guides and
sustains us, who makes of us one body, the Body of Christ. In**

**the power of this Spirit, trusting in the reality of resurrection
and the mystery of eternal life, we forgive one another,
embrace the outcast, resist evil, listen devoutly for God's
quiet grace, and bless all Creation, for the glory of God.**

Amen.

RESPONSE #283 New Century Hymnal

**Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me,
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, make me, fill me;
Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OFFERTORY *Wonderful Peace* William G. Cooper
arr. Larry Shackley

SPECIAL MUSIC *Shout to the Lord* Darlene Zschech
Soloist: Kimberly Knight arr. Lloyd Larson

PASTOR'S PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All: 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!**

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING - 1 Kings 19:1-15 CEB John Richards

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, how he had killed all Baal's prophets with
the sword. ²Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah with this message: "May the gods do
whatever they want to me if by this time tomorrow I haven't made your life like the life of
one of them."

³Elijah was terrified. He got up and ran for his life. He arrived at Beer-sheba in Judah
and left his assistant there. ⁴He himself went farther on into the desert a day's journey.
He finally sat down under a solitary broom bush. He longed for his own death: "It's more
than enough, LORD! Take my life because I'm no better than my ancestors." ⁵He lay
down and slept under the solitary broom bush.

Then suddenly a messenger tapped him and said to him, "Get up! Eat something!"
⁶Elijah opened his eyes and saw flatbread baked on glowing coals and a jar of water
right by his head. He ate and drank, and then went back to sleep. ⁷The LORD's
messenger returned a second time and tapped him. "Get up!" the messenger said.

CALENDAR

Sunday, June 19, 2021:

10:30 a.m. In-Person & Live-Stream (Facebook) Worship Service,
Rev. Glen Shedlock, Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Fellowship/Social Hour - Beverages, Social Hall

Monday, June 20, 2021:

Tuesday, June 21, 2021:

2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Western Reserve Suzuki School-Violin Lessons, Adult Library
6:45 - 9:00 p.m. Broad Highway AA, Heritage Room

Wednesday, June 22, 2021:

2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Legacy Barbershop Rehearsal, Heritage Room
6:45 - 9:30 p.m. Cuyahoga Falls Amateur Radio Club, Social Hall

Thursday, June 23, 2021:

7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Emotions Anonymous, Adult Library

Friday, June 24, 2021:

Saturday, June 25, 2021: 65th Anniversary of the United Church of Christ

6:00 - 10:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous, Social Hall

Sunday, June 26, 2021:

10:30 a.m. In-Person & Live-Stream (Facebook) Worship Service,
Rev. Glen Shedlock, Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Fellowship/Social Hour - Beverages, Social Hall

Altar Flowers: Helen Hapanowicz

Liturgist: John Richards

Dedication: For Family!

PowerPoint: Kelly Gerstenberger

Pilgrim United Church of Christ Staff

Transitional Pastor: Rev. Glen A. Shedlock

Minister of Music: Benjamin Knight

Choir Director: Kimberly Knight

Secretary: Kelly Gerstenberger



WELCOME

We joyfully welcome all visitors!

Please join us again!

We are very glad You chose to Worship with Pilgrim United Church of Christ!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you ... to everyone who ... have continued to send-in contributions!

Contributions Received:

\$2,802.00	May 1, 2022	\$6,925.00+	June 5, 2022
\$2,960.00	May 8, 2022	\$2,498.36	June 12, 2022
\$6,659.00+	May 15, 2022	\$	June 19, 2022
\$2,255.40	May 22, 2022	\$	June 26, 2022
\$4,210.00	May 29, 2022	\$9,423.36	June Totals
\$16,886.40	May Totals		

+Ameriprise-Reserve Income (Asset Movement) \$5,000.00 +\$4,000.00 = \$9,000.00

Summer is here!

Pilgrim's expenses will continue.

Your support by continuing with your giving is greatly appreciated!

Children's Bulletins are now available for ages 3 to 6 and 7 and older. These are located in the activity bags in the narthex. Take the bulletins home and leave the bags with the other supplies in the pews when you leave today!!

Pastoral Search Committee:

JP Kraft, Chairperson

Katherine Subichin, Secretary

Bob Kindel, Chaplain

David Kump

Cindy Spenoso

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

PRAYERS & PRAISES

- ◇ The family & friends of Eric, who passed to the life beyond this world.
- ◇ Gun violence ripping apart families and communities.
- ◇ Love for all people.



*Offering received:
June 5—June 26, 2022*