

# Parish Notes

## **What is Pentecost?**

Today, we join with Christians across the world in celebrating Pentecost Sunday, a day which marks the sending of the Holy Spirit as an indwelling presence and the birth of the Christian church (and by the way, the birth of *Christ Congregational Church*, in that our church was founded on Pentecost Sunday, 2010). The festival is always celebrated exactly 50 days after Easter (inclusive of Easter day) and is so named because the word "Pentecost" means "fiftieth day."

The profound significance of Pentecost is aptly summarized in this quote attributed to the Dutch theologian, Henri Nouwen (1932-1996): "Without Pentecost the Christ-event – the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus – remains imprisoned in history as something to remember, think about and reflect on. The Spirit of Jesus comes to dwell within us, so that we can become living Christs here and now. (*It is no*

*longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me - Gal. 2:20)*

## **Congratulations!**

*Christ Church* extends our joyous congratulations to all graduating seniors this year, but especially to our own, Isabella Meggiato, who graduated from LHS this past Thursday evening. As most of you know, Isabella will be continuing her education and athletic career at the *United States Air Force Academy* in Colorado Springs.

## **An Invitation**

If you are new to *Christ Church* and desire to learn more about the faith, more about a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, or more about *Christ Church* and membership, we would love the opportunity to visit with you. Please speak with our minister before or after services or contact us in any of the ways listed on the back page of your worship guide to set up a convenient time to meet.

## Our Stewardship:

Membership: 154

Attendance:

May 17— 72

Total Offering (5/17/26):

\$2, 402.00

Please pray:

Members:

Rochelle Alexander, Susan Dickens, Donna Hall, Glenda Keel, Elizabeth Lamb, Martha Lind, Leah Parker, Eloise Richardson, George Temple, Mary Toback, Tommie West, Vince Whitaker

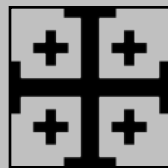
Friends & Family:

Cooper Castleberry (brother, Stan); Kay Highnote (grandson, Elijah); Bob Hughey; Dorothy Hughey (granddaughter, Kate Thompson); Erin Kay; Evelyn Morton (daughter, Michelle Roberts); Leah Parker (great grandson, Max); Jerry & Kathy Pitman (granddaughter, Shelby); Becky Weldon (mother, Billie Baier)

## MORE INFORMATION

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- you wish more information about Christ Church
- you wish a minister to contact you  
*We can contact you at:*



## LECTIONARY READINGS

Next Sunday, May 31, 2026

Trinity Sunday

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Psalm 8

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Matthew 28:16-20