

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

HOLY COMMUNION: (liturgy on screen)

BLESSING AND SENDING

Authorities we want to remember specifically in prayer this week:

US Supreme Court Associate Justice- Clarence Thomas

MO Supreme Court Judge- Robin Ransom

St. Charles County Council District 2- Joe Brazil

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2024 Theme: Remember our theme for this year...the 3 P's: *Proclaim, Persuade & Pray!* This is a daily prayer we commit to acting on regularly, along with weekly accountability. If you are not already...join us, get involved in the call and ministry of God!

Schedule change: There will be no worship gathering on Sunday May 26th.



SAVE THE DATE!!

Saturday, June 22, 2024,
from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00
p.m. Registration is \$15.
Early bird registration
received by May 21st is
\$10. Registration includes
continental breakfast and
session materials. For
more information and to
sign up, go to the Events
link on our website. Tell a
friend!



FAITH COVENANT MINISTRIES

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Purpose Statement:

We exist to glorify God by serving as a conduit for the grace of God whereby faith the Love, Life, Lordship and Leadership of the Kingdom of Heaven is revealed and expanded to all nations.

Mission Statement:

We desire to be a multi-cultural, multi-generational conduit of the grace of God to be used to fulfil our purpose, for the glory of God.

Mailing address:

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Weekly Corporate Gatherings:

Sunday Worship Service- 10:00 AM
Discipleship Groups (times vary)

Staff:

Rev. Michael Hammond, Sr. - President & Senior Pastor
Rose Hammond- Receptionist

Order of Worship
Sunday, May 19, 2024

DAY OF PENTECOST

(Congregation responses spoken together appear in **bold** print.)

OPENING DECLARATION & PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit. Inspire our hearts with Your fiery presence!!
Energize our lives to work for God. Pour Your blessing on us.
As we worship You today, let Your presence stir us to proclaim
God's presence and love in everything we say and do.

(Extemporaneous prayer)

WORSHIP IN SONG (click the song title for a YouTube track)

[Your Great Name](#) [Worthy is Your Name](#)

[Glory to Your Name](#) [Wide as the Sky](#)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, as we continue in worship this Pentecost Sunday, celebrating the outpouring of Your Holy Spirit, we pray that You empower us as you did Your disciples. We pray for the outpouring of Your Spirit once again. Fill us with Your divine power, that we may be witnesses of Your love and grace to the world around us. Ignite within us a fresh passion for Your Word and fervent desire to proclaim the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ. May the flames of Your Spirit burn brightly in our hearts, consuming any traces of fear, doubt, or complacency. Equip us with the gifts of the Spirit, that we may minister to the needs of Your people and advance Your Kingdom. In Jesus name we pray, (and we all agree by saying) **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Numbers 14:1-11 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you, Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 139:1-16 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you, Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

WORSHIP IN SONG: HYMN OF THE MONTH

[At Calvary](#) | View the lyrics [here](#)

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 2:1-21 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God

Congregation: Thank you, Lord for your Holy Word

(Quiet Reflection)

GOSPEL READING: John 4:43-54 (NAS95)

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

People: Praise to you Lord Christ!

SERMON: <https://www.facebook.com/fcmstl>

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

Welcoming God, You invite us into Your life-giving presence, and we come as we are. You know us intimately: our selfishness, our stubbornness, and our apathy. You teach us that the truth can set us free; in these moments of quiet, we bring You our own prayers of confession: (quiet confession of sins)

God, we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not always fully believed in the strength and goodness of your power, and of your loving intentions toward us.

With Your grace and compassion, forgive us. Redeem our failures. Restore our hope. Love us back to life. Amen.

WORDS OF AFFIRMATION AND COMFORT

19 May 2024

John 4:43-54 (NASB95)

Pastor Michael Hammond Sr.

The Life That Lives

By OSWALD CHAMBERS

*Stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.—**Luke 24:49***

When we receive the Holy Spirit, we receive life itself from the ascended Lord. The baptism of the Spirit isn't what changes us; it's the power of the ascended Christ coming into our lives *through* the Spirit. Too often we separate what the New Testament never separates. The baptism of the Holy Spirit isn't something we experience separately from Jesus Christ; it's the evidence of the ascended Christ coming to dwell within us.

Are you still waiting to receive the Spirit? If you are, it isn't because of God. In Luke 24, the disciples are told to wait in Jerusalem to receive the Spirit—to be “clothed with power from on high”—but there is a specific reason why they must wait: “The Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified” (John 7:39). As soon as our Lord was glorified, what happened? “Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear” (Acts 2:33).

We have to embrace the revelation that the Holy Spirit is here, now, among us. After our Lord was glorified, the Spirit came into this world, and he has been with us ever since. This means that, unlike the disciples, we do not have to wait. If you haven't yet received the Spirit, it isn't because God is holding the Spirit back from you; it's because of your lack of fitness. Openness to the Holy Spirit is the maintained attitude of the believer.

If you are still waiting for the Spirit, consider what you're denying yourself. The baptism of the Holy Spirit isn't for time or eternity; it is one amazing, glorious *now*. “Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent” (John 17:3). Begin to know him now, and never stop.