



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, June 8th**

**Live Worship, 10 am, Sanctuary**

<https://www.youtube.com/user/PiratesoftheColumbia>

*(Click the "LIVE" link in the tool bar to see recent worship services, as well)*

**Pentecost Sunday**

**What Does This Mean?**

**Scriptures:**

**Psalm 100: 1-2**

**Acts 2: 1-12**

## **Friday News 6/6/25**

**It's Pentecost! Happy birthday Church!  
Let's wear red to celebrate.**

Pentecost is an ancient Jewish Feast Day that celebrates when God gave the Torah to Moses and the Israelites at Mt. Sinai. The holiday is celebrated 50 days after Passover and is the reason the disciples had gathered that day. Jesus had promised that, when two or more are gathered in his name, Jesus would be with them, and wow, was he ever! In Spirit!

While most of the crowd was ready to remember and celebrate the gift of scriptures to the Hebrew people, they were startled by the violent wind that came rushing through, and tongues of fire on the Jesus-follower disciples. "What does this mean?" they asked one another.

**It means a lot!**

In the church, red is the symbolic color of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is often pictured as a descending white dove, as at Jesus' baptism (Luke 3:21-22 and John 1:32-34) or as red flames of fire (Acts 2:1-41).

Christians co-opted the sacred Jewish holiday of Pentecost to celebrate the birth of the church and the outpouring of the Holy spirit. How appropriate! A

day of giving scriptures becomes a day of giving God's Spirit! It was not the first time the Holy Spirit was experienced, nor was it the first-time people gathered as "church." But, what a starting place for the next awesome expression of God through the people God called to walk the path of Jesus.

That's you and me. We are called to walk the path of Jesus, and the Spirit is coming for us to inspire and empower. Let's get ready and celebrate it! Show up, wear red, listen, and go!

See you in church.  
Pastor Shirley

### **Pave The Way**

We have launched the "Pave the Way" fundraiser. Now, you will be able to purchase an engraved paver (brick) to be permanently installed in the courtyard of the Kennewick First United Methodist Church. This "buy a brick" campaign will help offset the cost of the church beautification project. This fundraising campaign allows people to purchase a paver to commemorate someone. The buyer can choose to honor themselves, a living family member or friend, or someone who has passed. Each brick will be the same size with the same font (lettering). There will, however, be a few assorted icons that can be added to mark an event such as baptism, membership date, or wedding, etc., for an extra fee. The cost of each 6" by 12" paver will be \$200.00 with an additional fee of \$25.00 for an icon. You may order a Paver through the church office, print it off the church website and mail it in or pick up a form from the information desk on Sunday. You will be able to pay for your

paver with cash, through Pushpay, check or credit card. This campaign is beginning now, to help raise the funds needed to start the front courtyard project. The pavers will be laid in 2026.

Please help us get the word out so we can pave the way!

### **God's Fellows**

This is a small group of men who read devotional material and connect it with their own lives and faith. They meet every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month.

### **Missing Assisted Listening Devices**

Please check your home or coats for any hearing devices that came from the Sanctuary. Several are missing!

### **Church Office Staff Meetings/Hours**

The Church Office meets for a Staff Meeting the first and third Tuesdays of every month from 10 am - Noon. The office is closed 10 am - 1:00 pm on those days. The church office is now open 8 am – 1 -pm Monday – Thursday and closed all day Fridays.

### **Deadlines**

**The Monday before the following Sunday is the deadline for any announcement posted in the Sunday Bulletin.**  
**The Thursday before the following Friday is the deadline for any announcement posted in the Friday Email Letter.**