

## *This Week at* CHRIST CHURCH

Mon 5/25 **Office Closed– Memorial Day**  
7:30am Men's Longbeach Breakfast (Longbeach Cafe)  
9:00am Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)

Thurs 5/28 **Office Closed– Staff Vacation**

Fri 5/29 10:00am Women's Stretching (Narthex)



### CHURCH STAFF

**Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont**, Pastor  
**Robert S. Romanski**, Director of Music  
**Chris Westfall**, Organist  
**Nancy Prezbindowski**, Office Manager  
**Claudio Evaristo (Craus Corp.)**, Facility Steward

Our Sanctuary is equipped with a T-Loop for the aid of hearing device users.  
Church Office & Library Hours: Monday – Thursday • 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

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*Growing in Jesus' Name*



Holy Spirit Dove Window (Louis Comfort Tiffany)  
First Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Illinois

Photo Credit: Christopher Young

**May 24, 2026 10:00 a.m.**  
**Day of Pentecost & Memorial Day Weekend**

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 24, 2026 ~Day of Pentecost & Memorial Day  
Weekend

Please remember to **turn off your cell phone.**

**\*Please rise in body or in spirit**

**Prelude** “*Trumpet Tune in D Major*” Henry Purcell

*The prelude is offered as an invitation to prepare for worship.*

**Welcome and Announcements** Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont, Pastor  
**Moment for Nominating Committee** Elder Michael Gardiner, Chair

**Call to Worship** (from Psalm 118)

One: Spirit of the living God, Come to us in the power of Pentecost,

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

One: Like a rushing wind that sweeps away all barriers,

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

One: With speech that praises Jesus Christ,

**All: Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

**\*Hymn #485** “*To God Be the Glory*”

**Confession and Forgiveness**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform us by the power of your Spirit, that we may do your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(a time for silent confession)

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**\*Congregational Response #492**, 1st stanza, BUNESSAN

*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit,  
Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King;  
Heirs of salvation, trusting God’s promise,  
Faithfully now God’s praises we sing.*

**Scripture** Selected Verses from Acts 2

Kathy McLean, Reader

**Sermon** “Vacation Church”

Dr. Piermont

**\*Hymn #315** “*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*”

**\*Affirmation of Faith**– The Apostles’ Creed

**Offering**

**Call for the Offering**

**Offertory** “*Andante*” Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

**\*Doxology** (Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN)

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.*

*Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly host*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

**\*Prayer of Dedication of Gifts and Offerings**

**Prayers of the People**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord’s Prayer** (“debts” and “debtors”)

**\*Hymn for Memorial Day #561** “*My Country, ‘Tis of Thee*”

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude** “*Marche Pontificale*” Gordon Young

*The postlude is the final Alleluia of the worship service.*

*Please defer conversation to the fellowship hall.*

*Thank you kindly. We look forward to greeting you at fellowship time.*

## Why Go It Alone?

*Supporting each other within and beyond our walls*

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### Every Day Support

Prayer Chain: In crisis or in calm, our Christ Church Prayer Chain is always available for those who are in need of prayer. Our Prayer Chain members are faithful, willing and eager to pray daily for your requests. May each of you know the peace that our Savior offers. Direct your request to

Karen Jennings: (610) 733-9755 or karenjennings1239@gmail.com

Shirley Venkataraman: (931) 260-0774 or shirleyvenk@hotmail.com

Deacons: Our Deacons are available to help and support in a compassionate, confidential way, anyone going through life struggles. Contact: Kathy McLean, Karen Gardiner, Missie Kaul, Joey Cheek or George Rauch or Julie Albert. In addition, using elements consecrated in CCLBK's celebration of the Lord's Supper communion, Deacons can provide Home Communion to members who are local but unable to attend worship. Please contact: Kathy McLean or Debra McKenna.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Knitted by our members, these are given as a blessing to those experiencing illness, injury, grief, or other need. To suggest a church member to receive a shawl, please contact Debra McKenna (941) 284-5333 or Kathy McLean (941) 704-3633.

### Sunday Support

Children's Nurture: Activities for children are available on the children's ministry table in the narthex. We hope these activities allow children to share in the love of Christ.

Prayer Requests: Submit a prayer request to be kept in confidence by the Deacons or Prayer Chain by 1) using the card/envelope in the Friendship Pad, placing it in an offering plate; or 2) clicking the button near the bottom of the Weekly News church email.

Pray with a Deacon after worship: A Deacon is ready to pray with individuals following worship. Please go to the Prayer Room door after the postlude.

**Mission Partners:** Agape Flights, Beth El, **Bring on the Ministry**, ECHO, EFELT, Harvest House, Hope Seeds, Easterseals Ranch, Our Daily Bread, PC(USA) World Mission, Selah Freedom, Mobility Worldwide, and Turning Points. Please view the display tables in the Fellowship for more information

Card Ministry: Please stop by the Coffee Bar to sign condolence, get well, thinking of you, and birthday cards for our Church family and friends. To suggest someone who might enjoy receiving a greeting card, please contact Bennie Dods at (941) 952-8196 or missbennie1@gmail.com.

## Announcements 5/24/2026

The Chancel arrangements are given by Kay & Keith Tschannen in memory of their parents.

**WELCOME ONE & ALL!** Whether you are in the area for a few days or full-time, we invite you to explore the myriad of ways our congregation seeks to be "growing in Jesus' name." We hope you feel right at home!

Please take note of our **ACTIVITY and MISSION PARTNER TABLES** in the Fellowship Hall. You'll find our [Sign Up Sheets](#) there.

For our **latest updates** and easy links to livestream and more, please sign up for our Thursday weekly email. (1) Go to [www.ChristChurchofLBK.org](http://www.ChristChurchofLBK.org) (2) scroll to the bottom, (3) enter your email address. *Thank you!*

**Library News:** Stop in to the library and grab some exciting pool and beach novels from the basket on the table! For your young visitors, we have kids books in the library on a bottom shelf labeled Kids Korner as well as in Fellowship Hall on a colorful cart near the piano. Library hours: Mon-Thurs 8-2 and Sunday before and after service.

### Exciting Course on Peacemaking this Summer

Do you have conflict in your life? Join us Wednesday, June 3 at 10:00am for a course on Peacemaking: Biblical Principles to resolving personal conflict. This course will be six weeks, from June 3– July 8 and will be 1.5 hours. In person or Zoom will be available. Details will be at the activities table where you can sign up or ask questions. You can also call Barbara Grimes 865-384-0569.



Relational  
Peacemaking™  
Turning conflict into an opportunity™

**At-Home or Office Volunteer Opportunity!** We are in need of a few volunteers to take turns keeping our worship attendance records and/or follow up with visitors (notes or phone calls). Tasks may be completed at home or in the office. All training and support provided. To learn more or to volunteer, please contact Julia Piermont or Nancy Prezbindowski in the office. Thank you!

**Volunteer Opportunity!** We are in need of a couple of volunteers to come in and fold newsletters for mailing. Normally two volunteers can get the folding done in a matter of a couple of hours. To volunteer please contact Nancy Prezbindowski in the office. Thank you!

**Men's Longbeach Breakfast** group will be meeting every Monday at Longbeach Cafe in Whitney Plaza at 7:30am throughout the summer. If you have any questions please contact Bill Johnson 941-993-8123. You will still have time afterwards to attend the Men's Bible study at 9:00am.

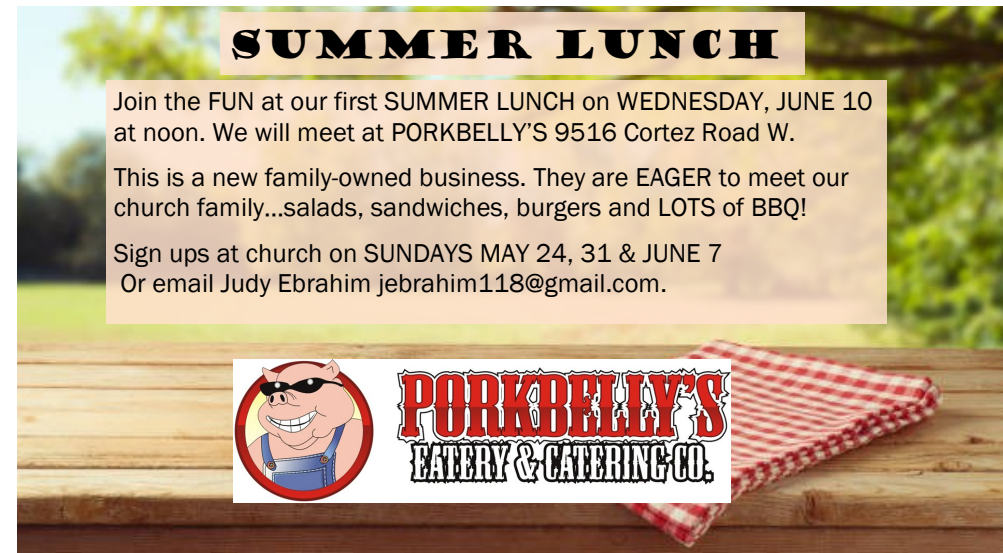
**Men's Weekly Bible Study** is studying "Life Lessons from Daniel & Esther" by Max Lucado. Fellowship Hall, **Mondays, 9:00am**

**Chancel Flowers:** Sign up sheets are out to give flowers to grace our chancel each Sunday through summer. **Please sign up!** or contact Barbara Grimes by calling or texting at 865-384-0569.

**Our Daily Bread:** Cereal, canned tuna, chicken, meats, dry pasta, peanut butter & jelly, condiments, toilet paper, diapers (sizes 3-6). Your generosity helps feed families in need. Please place in ODB box in Fellowship Hall.

**Women's Bible Study** will not be meeting during the summer. We will resume classes in September/October. Please check future bulletin announcements for information on upcoming studies.

**Logo Name Badges.** Name badges may be ordered at a cost of \$10. Order forms are available at the Welcome Desk. If you have never received a Christ Church name badge, the first one is our gift to you (no cost).

A graphic for a summer lunch event. At the top, the words "SUMMER LUNCH" are written in a bold, black, serif font on a light-colored banner. Below this, a white text box contains the following information: "Join the FUN at our first SUMMER LUNCH on WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10 at noon. We will meet at PORKBELLY'S 9516 Cortez Road W." followed by "This is a new family-owned business. They are EAGER to meet our church family...salads, sandwiches, burgers and LOTS of BBQ!" and "Sign ups at church on SUNDAYS MAY 24, 31 & JUNE 7 Or email Judy Ebrahim jebrahim118@gmail.com." The background of the graphic shows a wooden table with a red and white checkered tablecloth. In the foreground, there is a circular logo for "PORKBELLY'S EATERY & CATERING CO." featuring a cartoon pig wearing sunglasses and overalls. The text "PORKBELLY'S" is in a large, stylized, red font with a white outline, and "EATERY & CATERING CO." is in a smaller, black, sans-serif font below it.

### Check out our new Mission Partner, "Bring on the Ministry" (BOTM)!

BOTM believes in a world where no one goes without a meal, a warm place to sleep or without a hot shower. Coordinating with other Mission Partners such as Turning Points, BOTM volunteers help the underserved and homeless community in and beyond Manatee County with supplies of food, hygiene products, showers, and resource networking. BOTM helps provide for the needs of various families in our community with loving and helping hands. Learn more (including volunteer opportunities) at [www.bringontheministry.com](http://www.bringontheministry.com).

