

# Pentecost

## Worship and Announcements

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"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them." Acts 2: 1- 4

Perplexing, Pentecostal God,  
you infuse us with your Spirit,  
urging us to vision and dream.  
May the gift of your presence  
find voice in our lives,  
that our babbling may be transformed into discernment  
and the flickering of many tongues  
light an unquenchable fire of compassion and justice. Amen.  
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May 29, 2020

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

As we approach the great festival of Pentecost, I want to acknowledge the pain of this celebration against the background of one hundred thousand deaths in this country alone, and the mingled unrest and fear surrounding what our media calls "opening up." There is plenty of grief and uncertainty to go around right now. But I want to draw attention to another plague that continues to dig its claws deep into our national life: the plague of racial inequity and anti-black violence.

The murder of George Floyd by white police officers in Minneapolis a few days ago is plain to all. I am calling on all the congregations in the Diocese of Southern Ohio to stand firm in opposition to the institutional racism that continues to infect our society at every level. As we observe Pentecost this Sunday, however remotely, let us remember that this ancient Jewish feast marks the giving of the Law from Sinai to the children of Israel, fifty days after their escape from slavery in Egypt. What does that law boil down to? Justice and mercy. The police action in Minneapolis exhibited neither justice nor mercy, and we cannot be silent about it.

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost was neither a circus event or nor a celebration of cacophony, as we often portray it. It is the miracle and great gift of hearing from God, each in his or

her language and situation. It is not about noisiness but about clarity. It is about what the triune God is saying to each of us, one by one.

Let us listen carefully this Sunday to what the Spirit is saying to God's people. Discern the racism within you. Arouse the righteous anger within you against the abuse of power. Open your heart to the ties that bind us to one another in our weaknesses and in our noblest aspirations. Those who heard the apostles speaking to them on the first Pentecost after Jesus' rising were amazed. They said they were hearing about God's deeds of power spoken in their own language, in the context of their own personal story.

What does that power mean for each of us personally? God's power is infinite, but it matters most to us when it comes down to our own persistent struggles. Surely for us Americans, the chief struggle that grips us daily is racism, from within us and from whatever direction it attacks us. We cannot deal with this unless we are open to the Spirit of truth, and we cannot dare to be open to that Spirit unless we trust in the justice and mercy of God. Yet help is always there, if we have the courage to ask for it.

Blessings,

The Rt. Rev. Thomas E. Breidenthal  
Bishop of Southern Ohio

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May 29, 2020

Dear friends – as a Matthew 25 Presbytery, we are urging you to take on the following after the riots in Cincinnati last evening and the outrageous events of racial discrimination and hostility in our country over the last several days.

Therefore, we urge you to:

1. Pray without ceasing for justice, for calm, for peace, for reconciliation; and be particularly in prayer for the families of George Floyd and Breonna Taylor.
2. Support peaceful protest; condemn violence and public calls for violence no matter the source. That includes government officials at all levels. There is a rally in Cincinnati at noon on Monday; if you go please use caution.
3. Seek to become more informed. Why would Minnesota Governor J.B. Pritzger state: **“Being black in America cannot be a death sentence. But it is. And it’s dangerous to pretend otherwise.” (Black people know!)**

[Click here for Video](#) and

[Click here for 23 ways to Die Black in America Video](#)

**4. Advocate for and support police-community relations/communications, community policing, greater community participation in oversight and standards in the criminal and juvenile justice systems. We support MARCC here in Cincinnati, but we can do more.**

**5. Demand accountability; promote justice and peace.**

**6. Support elimination of barriers to reentry; enhanced education and job training programs in low income and targeted communities.**

**7. Vote responsibly and with empathy as though the life of the republic depends on it. It does...**

**We as a human race, and especially those of us dedicated to living the life to which we have been called in Christ Jesus, must do better than this.**

**Blessings and love to you all.**

**Lisa Allgood  
Transitional Executive Presbyter**

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**IHC Connections:  
Post Sermon Discussion  
Sunday, May 31 11:00 AM**

Join us this Sunday for an online discussion. Here is the zoom link. If you need help learning about Zoom, contact Amy Clark ([aclark@indianhillchurch.org](mailto:aclark@indianhillchurch.org)).

[Click here for zoom link](#)

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### **Ways to Give at Indian Hill Church**

There is a new GIVE button on the front page of the Indian Hill Church website ([indianhillchurch.org](http://indianhillchurch.org))  
There are several ways to give towards the work of Indian Hill Church:

1.Credit Card or ACH

[Click here to give online](#)

You have the option to do a ONE-TIME payment or RECURRING payments via credit card or ACH via your banking information. Please note the church is assessed a 3% processing fee for all online transactions. You have the option to help offset these fees at check out.

2.PayPal

[To give by PayPal click here](#)

You have the option to do a ONE-TIME payment or RECURRING payments via credit card or ACH via your banking information. Please note the church is assessed a 2.5% processing fee for all transactions.

3.Text Messaging

Text messaging is a new option for Indian Hill Church. Text 73256 to give to IHC using your mobile device. Standard text messaging rates do apply.

#### 4. Mail a Check

We always accept checks by mail.

Please make all checks payable to Indian Hill Church and mail to 6000 Drake Road, Cincinnati OH 45243.

#### 5. Stock Options

The easiest way to donate stock to Indian Hill Church is to have the transfer handled by your broker or that company that handles the stock. You can instruct your broker or custodian to transfer the stock to:

Bartlett Wealth Management  
DTC# 0164 Code 40  
a/c 8023-0535 Indian Hill Church

It is important that our broker be notified that stock is being transferred. Please notify Tara Britton at Bartlett Wealth Management. Tara's contact information is [tbritton@bartlett1898.com](mailto:tbritton@bartlett1898.com) or at 513-621-4612.

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#### Readers Needed

Do you have a phone with a camera and email capability? If so, you can be a part of our weekly video worship service. If you would like to be a reader or pray the prayer, please email Amy Clark ([aclark@indianhillchurch.org](mailto:aclark@indianhillchurch.org)).

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#### IPM (Inter Parish Ministry)

##### Power Packs

##### 100 Power Packs Needed Weekly!

You can sign up to make Power Packs via sign up genius or by emailing Holly Dewees ([waltandholly@fuse.net](mailto:waltandholly@fuse.net)).

[Click here to sign up on Sign Up Genius](#)

What makes a good power pack?

1. Look for a **meal** for each bag (microwave mac and cheese, microwave ravioli, soups with pull tab, canned chicken/tuna lunch kits, Hormel shelf stable meals).
2. Add other items such as individual cereals, applesauce, fruit cups, shelf-stable puddings, oatmeal, peanut butter crackers, JIF peanut butter to go cups, raisins, chips, juice box, granola bar, pretzels, microwave popcorn, cheese crackers).
3. Seal items in a gallon Ziploc bag.
4. It is great when the bag is full of items.
5. Feel free to add an encouraging note to the child receiving the Power Pack.

Power Packs can be dropped off anytime at one of three church member houses. These members have volunteered to have a bin at the front porch for power packs.

**Church Member Drop off locations:**

Michael and Jennifer Taylor's house: 6305 Graves Road, Cincinnati, OH 45243

Walt and Holly Dewees' house: 9310 Old Indian Hill Road, Cincinnati, OH 45243

Phil and Suzanne Beck's house: 9983 Walnutridge Ct., Cincinnati, OH 45242

**IPM Drop Off Location:**

Monday and Tuesday 10:00 am-12:00 pm at the Newtown Pantry 3509 Debolt St., Cincinnati, OH 45244

You may also donate items to be assembled into Power Packs by an IPM volunteer.

[Click here to donate items for Power Pack Assembly](#)

***"In His name, lending a helping hand to others."***

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**Our Daily Bread**

**Sandwiches, Fruit and Dessert**

**June 3 and June 10**

**New Dates added: June 17 and June 24**

Indian Hill Church is providing sandwiches, fruit and dessert every Wednesday in June. Sign up to help by emailing Jennifer Taylor or signing up on sign up genius.

We still need sandwiches, fruit and dessert for June 3.

[Sign Up Genius Link](#)

***"In His name, lending a helping hand to others."***

**Drop off sandwiches, fruit and desserts on Tuesday afternoon or evening or on Wednesday morning before 9:00 AM.**

Procedure:

1- Sign up via sign up genius or by emailing me ([christianeducation@indianhillchurch.org](mailto:christianeducation@indianhillchurch.org))

2- Clean your kitchen counters with antibacterial cleaner.

3- Wash your hands thoroughly. If you have gloves, wear them to prepare the food.

4- Wear a mask and cover your hair with a hat or tie it back if long.

5- Make ham and cheese, turkey and cheese or peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. (No condiments please.)

6- Place sandwiches in a sandwich baggie and label contents (Ham, Turkey, PB&J).

(As an alternative, you are welcome to pick up sandwiches from any sandwich company- Penn Station, Jimmy Johns, Jersey Mikes, Subway etc.)

7- Treats/ Desserts can be homemade or store bought. They need to be individually packaged. I would avoid nuts just to be safe.

7- Deliver sandwiches, fruit and desserts on Tuesday to Jennifer Taylor (6305 Graves Road, 45243). I will have coolers on the porch for contactless drop off.

8- Take a picture making the sandwiches for us to share with the congregation.

*"In His name, lending a helping hand to others."*

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### **What are you doing at home?**

#### **Photos Needed**

What are you doing at home? Cleaning closets, walking, knitting, cooking, baking, gardening, watching movies, polishing silver, washing china and crystal, home schooling? We all miss seeing each other each week at worship and coffee hour. Please send us a picture of what you are doing at home to pass the time. Send your pictures to Amy Clark ([aclark@indianhillchurch.org](mailto:aclark@indianhillchurch.org)).

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