



Indian Hill Church
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Young Family Weekly Email

On Sunday, we celebrated Pentecost. In this email, you will find a Pentecost video and 5 craft ideas for your children. You will also find links for our two mission events that have been extended through the end of June. This summer we will be offering a nature focused Christian summer camp at home.

Camp in a Box is available for a limited time, email Jennifer Taylor to order your box by Tuesday, June 2.

Pentecost Activities:

- Watch a video with Amy Clark singing and Jennifer Taylor telling the story of Pentecost.
- Happy Birthday to the Church Cake
- Mighty Wind Painting
- Flames of Fire Painting
- Paper Plate Dove
- Pentecost Windssock

Power Pack and Our Daily Bread Mission Projects extended through June 24!

Camp In A Box

Pre-order your box by Tuesday, June 2

Cost: \$45 per box (Scholarships available)

Boxes are designed for children ages 4 years old– 5th grade

This summer we will be partnering with Ferncliff camp to provide 5 days of summer camp at home. Amy Clark and Jennifer Taylor will be providing a short video of camp music and the story of the day. The rest of the activities will **NOT** require a screen and will encourage your child to engage with nature outside. The boxes and videos will be ready in early July for you to view/use as it fits your family schedule.



The Camp in a Box curriculum is Deep Roots, New Leaves. In their 5 day experience, campers will discover that God is always doing a new thing. While God offers stability and safety, like a tree's deep roots, God is also working for good in each new moment, like a tree sprouting new leaves.

Each day includes:

A daily guide with Scripture, reflection questions, a prayer, and several activities that relate to that day's theme.

- A focus object related to the day's theme.
- One Square Yard: an activity that encourages kids to get outside and observe something new every day.
- A 5 day project that kids can work on each day.
- Family Challenge: activities, table talk questions, and a mealtime prayer that kids can do with their parents and siblings.
- Instructions and supplies needed to complete every activity

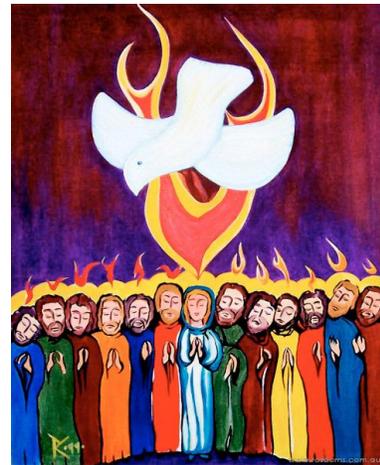
To order your box, please email Jennifer Taylor (christianeducation@indianhillchurch.org).

Pentecost Explanation

What is Pentecost?

Pentecost is the 50th and last day of the Easter season. In 2020, it is Sunday, May 31st. It marks the birth of the Church when the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit.

"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

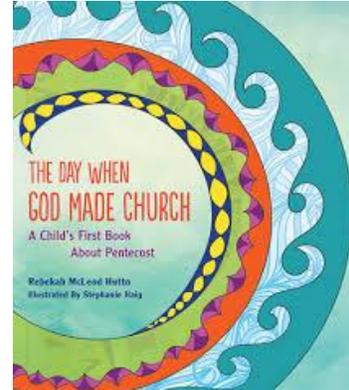
**Key Symbols of Pentecost**

- Wind – the Holy Spirit came on the first Pentecost like a mighty rushing wind
 - Flames – the Holy Spirit rested on Jesus' followers on the first Pentecost like tongues of fire
 - Red – the official liturgical color for Pentecost, reminding us of flames
 - Dove – symbolic of the gift of the Holy Spirit (When Jesus was baptized, the Holy Spirit came to him like a dove.)
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Pentecost at Home Video
Music with Amy Clark
Storytelling with Jennifer Taylor

[Click here for story and music](#)

The Spirit came with a rush of mighty wind, so things that use air and wind make good Pentecost activities. Air and wind related gifts help make Pentecost a special day: bright red or orange kites, pinwheels, streamers, balloons, boomerangs, bubble liquid and windsocks. All are reminders of the power of wind, the power of the Holy Spirit.



Pentecost Cake
Happy Birthday to the Church

Supplies Needed:

- cake mix or homemade cake ingredients
- Birthday candles

Let's make a birthday cake and celebrate the birth of the Christian church! Make the cake per the instructions on the box, bake, and let cool. Then, decorate using the frosting and sprinkles. Cut strawberries can also be arranged to look like flames. Have fun with this! You can even put candles in and sing "happy birthday" to the church if you'd like. Then, cut the cake, serve, and enjoy!



Mighty Wind Painting

Supplies Needed:

- Paper
- Paint
- Straws

To recreate the mighty wind the Apostles witnessed, drop small amounts of paint all over your piece of construction paper. Next, use the straw to blow the paint and watch as it creates magnificent patterns. Try blowing from all directions to see what cool new art emerges.



Talk about:

What is the strongest wind you've ever been in?

How did it make you feel?
Were you excited? Scared?

Source: Messy Church USA

Flames of Fire Painting

Supplies Needed:

- Yellow, red and orange paint
- Forks,
- Paper

Instructions:

Use a fork to blob some paint onto the paper and then swirl and pull or brush with the fork!
Encourage color mixing as the flames flicker together...



Talk about:

The power of fire reflecting the power of the Holy Spirit.

What is fire like? What can it do?

How might the disciples have felt seeing tongues of fire above their heads? How would you have felt?

What do you know about the power of fire? What about the Holy Spirit?

Paper Plate Dove

Supplies Needed:

- White paper plate (the cheap kind)
- Markers
- Scissors
- Tape
- String or ribbon

Talk about:

I wonder which of these signs of the Spirit you like best?

I wonder which of these signs you think is the most important sign?

I wonder which of these signs is most about you?



[Dove instructions](#)

Pentecost Windsack

Supplies:

- Construction Paper or White Printer Paper
- Crepe Paper Streamers/ ribbon/ or Paper
- Tape or staples
- ribbon/ yarn/ string

Assembly Steps:

- Create a cylinder out of Red Construction paper.
- Staple the edges together, adding a bit of tape at the top and bottom to make it a little more secure.
- Attach streamers, ribbon or paper strips
- Attach a piece of yarn to the inside of the top rim, to use for hanging the windsack.



IPM (Inter Parish Ministry) Power Packs

[Click here to watch a Power Pack Assembly Video](#)

IPM (Inter Parish Ministry) is collecting "Power Packs" in gallon-sized Ziploc bags that are distributed to school-age children. IPM distributes 200 Power Packs each week.

You can sign up to make Power Packs via sign up genius. You are also welcome to drop off completed Power Packs at anytime to volunteer houses listed below.



[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 Locations:

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](#)

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Our Daily Bread

Sandwiches

June 3, June 10,

New Dates added: June 17 and June 24

Indian Hill Church is providing sandwiches, fruit and desserts every Wednesday in June.

Desserts can be homemade or store bought, but must be individually packaged. Sign up to help by emailing Jennifer Taylor or signing up on sign up genius.

[Sign Up Genius Link](#)



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