



Your monthly news & updates

Moore thoughts . . .
Pastor Kirk's Ponderings –

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When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Acts 2:1-2

Do you remember Easter this year?

The time between Easter and Pentecost is often a blur. And near the end of this month we celebrate Pentecost—the arrival of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church. 50 days after Easter. It celebrates when a mighty wind came into the room where Peter and the other disciples were worshipping.

The Holy Spirit of God isn't tame. She doesn't make you feel comfortable. God's Spirit (wind) challenges us to reach beyond where we're comfortable into the adventurous, provocative, and maybe even dangerous world of living our faith and being a people of love and justice.

Sunday, May 23 is Pentecost Sunday! We're going to celebrate the birth of the Church as the Holy Spirit arrived like a rush of a violent wind.

Sunday, May 17, is Mental Health Sunday. We'll celebrate PMC Wellness Ministries and imagine all the ways we can be supportive for mental health.

BE A BLESSING
LEAD WITH LOVE. PRAY OFTEN.
PRACTICE PEACE.
GIVE THANKS.
BE JOYFUL. BE KIND.
DO GOOD. HAVE COURAGE.
WORK FOR JUSTICE.
BE THE LIGHT.
ENCOURAGE OTHERS.

And all of the 50 days leading up to Pentecost are part of our 50th anniversary in Palos Park and 140th anniversary as a congregation.

And throughout all of it, we'll continue to be the Church

**A vibrant, inclusive Christian community
living out love, respect, and dignity for everyone.**

And to be a blessing.

Days

(and years)

Pastor Kirk

A Note From the President

Diane Oremovich

April was an exciting month. I want to give a big thank you to Tom Osborne, Bob Mohr, and our choir for the beautiful Cantata they performed on Easter Sunday. We had a special appearance from the brass and string ensemble and our own Jamie Kirscher on flute. The church was filled with over 150 congregants. It was great to see some old members and their families. Afterwards, the coffee hour was filled with special treats. Also, a thank you to Amanda Ambrose and the Fellowship Committee for wrapping up a beautiful day.

I have noticed an increase in the number of visitors coming into our church. Many of our members greeted them and joined them during coffee hour. These interactions show what an open and warm church we are. Thank you to all for reaching out.

The 50/140th Anniversary Committee is kicking off a plant sale fundraiser. Please consider purchasing some baskets to help brighten your home and garden. Look for further events leading up to our 50th celebration.

It is hard to believe that we are starting to kick off summer events. The first event is the Food Truck Friday on May 15. Consider inviting your friends and family to the event. It is a great evening of food and music. We hope to see you all there.

Weekly Service Attendance

April 2 (Maundy Thursday)

7:00 pm - 20

April 3 (Good Friday)

7:00 pm - 57

April 5 (Easter Sunday)

9:30 am - 150

April 12 (Congregational Meeting)

9:30 am - 74

April 19

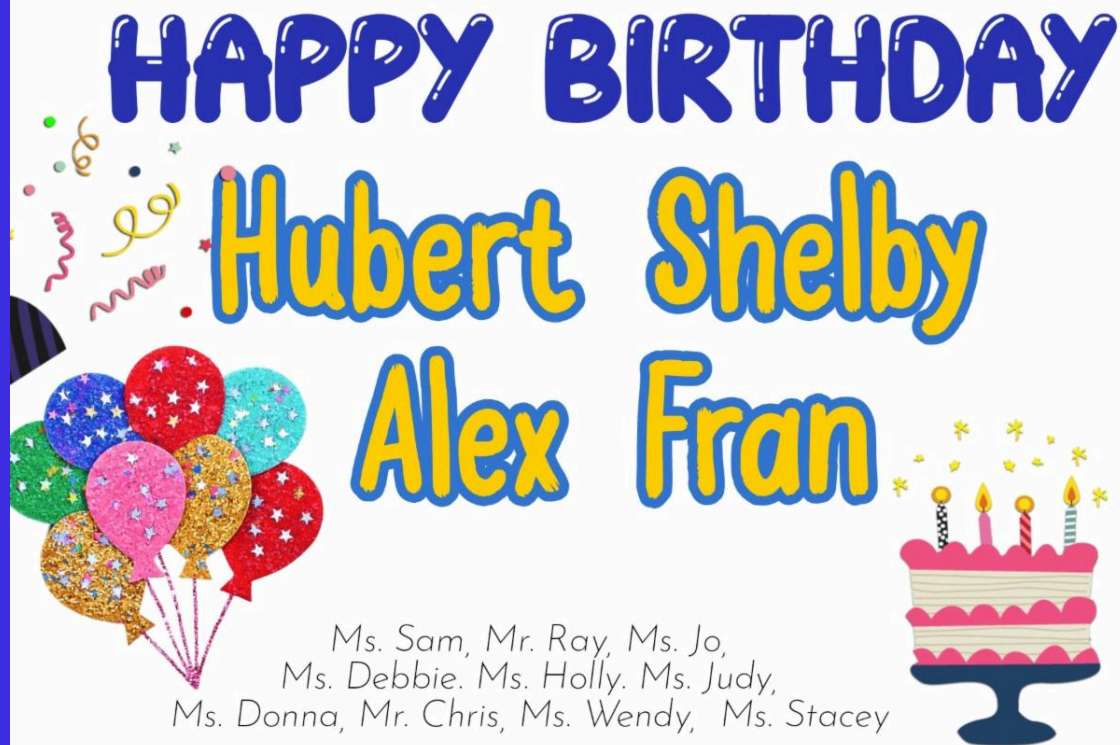
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April 26

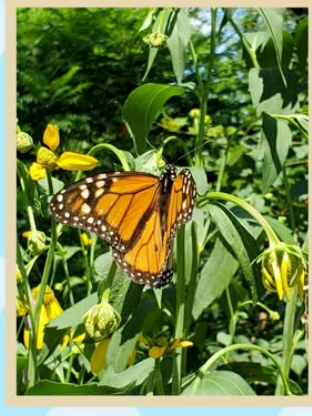
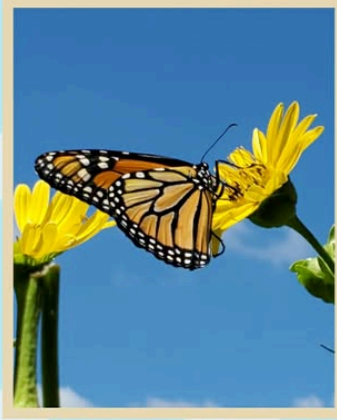
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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Holly Jones



May is finally here! Once again, we have made it through another wonderful season of Sunday School. Our last session before the summer is scheduled for May 17th. We will be having an 'end of the year' celebration on that date as well. Throughout the summer, you'll probably find our kids in our garden bed. (We have the Corn bed this year!) We've gotten our bed assignment and the kids are ready to get planting. As I'm writing this, I'm truly trying to figure out how it's May already! Mother's Day is in just ten short days, our oldest kids are finishing up their 5th grade year, and the buzz of general summer excitement is already in the air! We may be wrapping up Sunday School, but there is still a lot to look forward to. We have created new Blessing Bags for Sunday morning worship services complete with new books and activities. Our registration for Vacation Bible School is now live! Join us for an out of this world adventure! Our registration can be found on our website (pmcucc.org) or the QR Code on our poster! Sign up is due by June 14th! If you would like to sign up to volunteer, you can also do that through that registration link, as well as seeing Samantha directly! The board would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Pam Cornyn, Kathy Koch, and Samantha Miulli in their help in revamping and redecorating the nursery!



Our butterflies are back!!

Release date scheduled for May 17th!

***May 24th for the remaining butterflies
that are slow emergers**

*A friendly reminder to all: the Board of Christian Education appreciates your help in keeping the nursery clean for our children and our guests. Please make sure to tidy up and leave the room as you found it before you leave on Sundays.
Thank you.

Vacation Bible School

July 9th - 12th

Ages 3 years old - 6th Grade

GALAXY
Launching Kids on a Mission of God's Love



Sign up available at
pmcucc.org

or scan the QR Code



Easter Sunday Coffee Hour

This year, instead of our traditional early-morning breakfast, we tried something a little different — a special Easter Coffee Hour filled with extra treats. We offered a spread of fruits, cheeses, and sweets, and we hope everyone was able to enjoy a little something from the selection.



A special thank-you to Simply Sweet Creations in Oak Lawn for providing a wonderful sample assortment of gluten-free and vegan cupcakes, along with a few gluten-free chocolate cake pops. We also appreciated the delicious Flop Cakes from Orland Bakery, which were a big hit.

Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make this Easter morning feel festive and welcoming.

Looking forward to next year!

~Amanda Ambrose

Fellowship Team



COMMUNITY GARDEN

Cindy White

The Community Garden Season Begins!

With the arrival of spring, our church is delighted to welcome another season in the Community Garden. As garden beds are prepared and seeds are being planted, we celebrate a space that brings neighbors together and reflects our shared hope for growth, connection, and abundance.

Our Community Garden is a special partnership between the church and renters from the surrounding community. It's a place where people of all ages and backgrounds can come together, care for the earth, and enjoy the simple joy of growing fresh food (and lots & lots of tomatoes 😊).

As this new season begins, we give thanks for the friendships that will grow along with the garden and for the opportunity to serve and connect with our neighbors in a tangible way. May this garden continue to be a sign of welcome, generosity, and shared purpose throughout the season.

We invite everyone to come out this summer to stroll through the garden, enjoy its beauty, and share in the wonder of what grows when a community comes together.

Always, The garden of possibilities... 🌱



BUILDING AND GROUNDS

The switch-over from the heating to air conditioning season at Peace Memorial Church is upon us. The anticipated time frame for this process is mid-May. The final date this task will be determined is based upon the long-range temperature forecast. Once the heat has been turned off and the air conditioning turned on, the process will not be reversed until next autumn. Please prepare accordingly when attending worship or other activities in the building.

Thank you

PROGRAM COODINATOR

Holly Jones

Hello all! There are so many things coming up in the next few months but let's say HEY to May first!

May:

15th- Food Truck Friday featuring Joey's Red Hots, Da Pizza Company, Peppo's Subs, Kona Ice, and Cookies Kitchen

The Outreach Committee could really use yo/ur help in setting up and taking down this fun event! We need some strong arms to move the picnic tables out from the pavilion and cart out coolers of ice.

We could also use a helping hand with the sale of water/chips.

Please reach out to Kathi Graben or me if you are interested in helping!

17th- Plant Sale Pick Up! Plants will be available for pickup Sunday after church! (Just a reminder, orders are due May 10th, NO LATER!)

Baskets are \$20.

This sale is benefiting the 50/140 anniversary party!

31st- Blessing of the Bikes, after many requests, we have added a special section for bicycles as well this year. Bring out your bike (or your trike) for an obstacle course and general bicycle safety.

Joey's food truck will be back in action, alongside Biggby Coffee!

We have a 50/50 split the pot, along with gift basket raffles!

Tell your friends, tell your bikers!

Let's make this the biggest Blessing of the Bikes we have seen!



There will be a bin in the Narthex for your t-shirt donations.



PMC Plant Sale

A fundraiser benefitting the
50th/140th Anniversary

BASKETS \$20



CALIBRACHOA



SETCRESEA



PETUNIA WAVE SERIES

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

PLANT VARIETIES – PLEASE INDICATE QUANTITY

CALIBRACHOA



Color Options:

Hot Pink, Red,
Yellow, White,
Light Pink, Blue,
Rose, Mango,
Orange

Qty: _____

NEW GUINEA IMPATIENS



Color Choices:

Apricot, Orange,
Deep Red,
Icy Blue, Salmon,
Lavender Glow,
Pink, Purple,
Peach, White,
Rose

Qty: _____

PETUNIA WAVE SERIES



Color Choices:

Blue Velvet,
Purple, Pink

Qty: _____

SETCRESEA



Attractive purple
foliage adds
color and texture
to any basket!

Qty: _____

WHOPPER BEGONIA



Leaf Options:

- Green Leaf
 Bronze Leaf

Qty: _____



TOTAL \$ _____

Thank you for supporting our church and community! ❤️

Please have your plant order forms in by Sunday, May 10th

RED GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST May 24th

Celebrate someone special
Celebrate the mission and ministry of our church
Celebrate the blessings and power of God in your life

Order a red geranium (or two or more)...

- In memory of.....
- In appreciation of someone.....
- Or to celebrate something special.....



For our Pentecost celebration on Sunday, May 24th, we would like to fill the sanctuary with red geranium to symbolize the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

So please feel free to order as many as you want!
Cost is \$12.50 per 7 1/2-inch potted red geranium.

PERSON ORDERING _____

Number of Geraniums @ \$12.50 _____

Total Due: \$ _____

In memory of _____

In appreciation of _____

In celebration of _____

(You can order on behalf of living friends, relatives, pastors, Sunday School teachers,
church staff and special occasions)

PLEASE RETURN TO THE CHURCH OFFICE WITH YOUR PAYMENT BY SUNDAY, May 17th



**Bring your chairs & blankets!
Ample Parking! Family Friendly!**

PMC FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY

No outside food allowed

- **May 15th**
- **June 19th**
- **July 17th**
- **August 21st**

CAR SHOW



Subject to change based on availability

6:00pm - Sunset



LIVE MUSIC

Ernie Dean Hendrickson - May & June
Saul Good Trio - July
The Handsome Jerks - August

Peace Memorial Church
10300 W. 131st St.
Palos Park
pmcucc.org

RAIN OR SHINE: plan for a good time!

Peace Memorial Church

Blessing of the Bikes

Calling ALL bikes!

Our annual Blessing of the Bikes has expanded!
Whether you ride a motorcycle or a tricycle,
this event is for you!

Sunday May 31st
10:30am



Bicycle
Safety
Course

Free will
donations
accepted

Coffee & Donuts

Split the Pot raffle



Food Truck



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MAY FLOWERS



May 3
Angelina Hunt
Brian Rudnicki

May 15

May 23
Francesca Miulli

May 4
Ashley Stille

May 9
Linda Kallemeyn

May 10
Maddy Clarke

May 11
Robert Jefchak

May 12
Kathi Graben
Larry Graben

Zachary Fijolek
Hubert Lingurariu
William Jerry II

May 18
Shelby Stille

May 20
Alexander Bubash
Rudolph Wehofer

May 22
Kathleen Koch
Carol Landow
Christopher Schneider Jr.

May 24
Charlie Schmeltzer

May 25
Nancy DiNovo

May 27
Joseph Ferrantelli
Ronald Kozinski
Richard Lisak

May 31
Priscilla Hook

MAY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:30 am Sunday Worship 10:30 Fellowship 10:30 ONA	4	5 7:00 pm Bunco	6 7:00 Volunteers 6:00 pm Choir 6:00 pm Yoga 7:00 pm Pickleball	7 1:00 pm Bible Study 6 – 9 pm Zion Hall rental 7:00 pm CE	8 6 – 9 pm Zion Hall rental	9
10 9:30 am Sunday Worship 10:30 Fellowship  Happy Mother's Day !	11	12	13 7:00 am Volunteers 10:00 am B&G meeting 6:00 pm Choir 6:30 pm Chapel rental 7:00 pm Pickleball	14 1:00 pm Bible Study 6 – 9 pm Zion Hall rental 6:30 pm Foundation meeting	15 6:00 pm Food Truck Friday 6 – 9 pm Zion Hall rental	16 10 am to 4 pm Stitchers/ Chapel
17 9:30 am Sunday Worship 10:30 Fellowship Plant pick-up	18 MESSENGER ARTICLES DEADLINE	19	20 7:00 am Volunteers 6:00 pm Choir 6:00 pm Yoga 7:00 pm Trustees 7:00 Pickleball	21 1:00 pm Bible Study 6 – 9 pm Zion Hall rental 7 pm OES - Narthex	22 6 – 9 pm Zion Hall rental	23
24 9:30 am Sunday Worship 10:30 Fellowship	25	26	27 7:00 am Volunteers 11:00 am LifeStyles Pavilion 6:00 pm Choir 7:00 pm Pickleball	28 1:00 pm Bible Study	29	31 5-9 pm Pavilion/YC rental
31 Pavilion/YC 9:30 am Sunday Worship 10:30 Fellowship 10:30 Blessing of the Bikes						



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