

**STAUNTON CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN**  
**Worshipping Christ with Joy, Living Together in Peace,**  
**and Serving the World with Love**  
**11:00 A.M. Worship                      May 23, 2021**  
**Pentecost Sunday**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Old Testament Reading:                      Genesis 11:1-9  
*“Let us go down and mix up their language  
so that they will not understand each other.”*

Call to Worship (responsively):

- One: The Genesis account tells of persons who said to one another, “Now let us build a city with a tower that reaches the sky, so that we can make a name for ourselves and not be scattered all over the earth.”
- All: *We come to this time of worship as persons who live in community with others. These groups include our families, neighborhoods, cities, church and nation.*
- One: Regarding those who desire to build a city and tower, the Lord said, “These are all one people and they speak one language; this is just the beginning of what they are going to do. . . Let us go down and mix up their language so that they will not understand each other.”
- All: *Our efforts to live in harmony with others sometimes fail. We experience*  
*divorce in our marriages,*  
*conflict in our families,*  
*friction in our neighborhoods,*  
*political division in our country,*  
*schism in our churches,*  
*and war between nations.*
- One: A contrasting biblical story in Acts tells of persons from many nations coming together on the first Pentecost who were able to understand one another despite the fact they spoke different languages.

All: *We celebrate the change which occurs in our lives when we are filled with God’s Holy Spirit, including being open to different views and ideas from our own.*

Invocation

Hymn:                      **“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”**                      **#356**

New Testament Reading:                      **Acts 2:1-12**  
*“When they heard this noise, a large crowd gathered.  
They were all excited because they were hearing  
everything in they own language.”*

Message:                      **“Creating Chaos or Community”**

Special Music:

Congregation at Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Hymn: **“O Holy Spirit, Making Whole”**                      **#300**

Sending

Postlude

CONTINUING THE WORK OF JESUS  
PEACEFULLY. SIMPLY. TOGETHER.

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Interim Pastor – J.D. Glick  
Worship Leader – Marilyn Garber  
Director of Music – David MacMillan  
Organist – Gaylon Hevener

**Please Keep In Your Prayers**

Pray for Ferne Rohr (The Legacy), Don Markle, Stanley and Brenda Shackelford, Melba Cline, Fred Wilkerson Sr., Fred Wilkerson Jr., Judy Zdinak, Dick Bartenslager, Vernon and Cleo Simmons, Jay and Rosalie McLear (Shenandoah), AJ Sandridge, Daniel Melton, Delton Botkin (Delmer's brother with heart stints), Emily Edwards' friend Dennis in Nicaragua, Linda Propst, Sue Whisman, Bob Armbruster, David Shearer, Wallace Clark, Cindy Spitzer, Russell and Sandy Roberts, Phyllis Lunsford, George Sullivan, Scott and Sally Shomo's dear friend Mattie Marsh, Annie Collins' brother-in-law, Bob Howell, Norma Shoemaker, Bob Weiss, Mabel Lou Weiss' brother-in-law, Paul Wampler, Nancy Ralston, Charlotte Kennedy, Tony Reyes, Dan Packer, Jr. (son of Beth Packer), Sue Simmons's sister, Donna Marshall, Shirley Maust's sister, Kenneth Weaver (Sally Shomo's brother), Sue Botkin, Scott Shomo, Frances Wilkerson, Margaret Curry's cousin, Jane Wilson, Fred Wilkerson, Sr.

**Continue to pray for the healing and the safety of the Nigerian Brethren, the Chibok girls, and so many others who have had their lives uprooted.**

**Keep praying.**