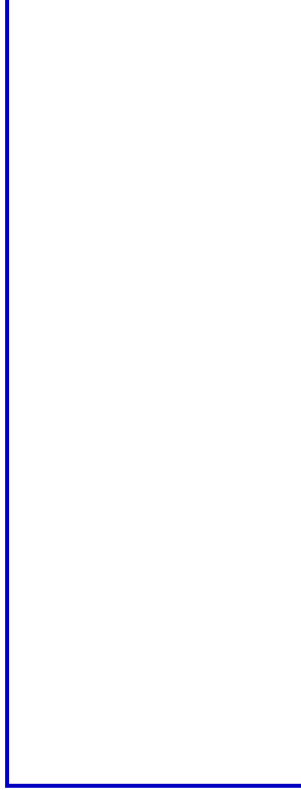




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*“And they were all
filled with the
Holy Spirit...”*

Acts 2:4

A Message from the Pastor

Dear Starkdale Family (Members, Frequent Worship Guests, and Friends),

As my ministry by your side gradually comes to an end (August 1st), there is not an hour that passes by when I don't feel that I will soon suffer a great loss. Day by day I am beginning to feel the sting of our upcoming separation. My decision to retire is starting to develop a deep and possibly permanent emotional scar.

The gracious and loving manner, with which you have genuinely dealt with Vickey and me, is already beginning to feel like a life-cord from which we will be disconnected soon. We have loved you dearly as you have sincerely done the same towards us. Even most biological families these days do not experience some of what we have had together over the last ten years. You have opened your hearts for us; you have shown us the love of God in ways beyond human imagination and expectation. You have provided for our needs, you have been hospitable, generous, selfless and reliable in your relationship to us on a daily basis. You have responded very well to our ministry together. The encouragement you gave us through your enthusiastic worship times, Bible study, hospitality hour, Sunday school, visitation, and social activities surpassed by far the response of any congregation I served during my forty years of ministry in the States. I dare also to say that you have been more than patient, kind and understanding during work related moments I had considered "impossible." Even when the way

was not clear for me to know what to expect next, it was clear for many of you. You knew exactly how to cope and how to deal with the weak and low moments of church work. You have graciously and bravely faced every challenge. Your faith, determination, and prayers made it possible for me to say that there is no mountain high enough that we couldn't climb together. All this I will miss. But thank God for what has become of our life and work together:

A promising future for a congregation that remains focused on what is essential; a congregation that always seeks first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness. You are indeed the dream of any ministerial candidate.

A spiritually mature leadership.

A community reputation that has always brought God the glory.

A caring and compassionate church family that rejoices with those who rejoice and weeps with those who weep.

A financially generous and supportive group of believers who have put others before themselves. Your support to community and global organizations is beyond generous. You understand that a church that is focused on its own needs is a church that lacks vision of what ministry in Christ's name is about.

A magnetic and contagious church that will keep drawing visitors in good numbers on a weekly basis.

A church that has served as a bridge between government-sponsored institutions and the message and



IN THE MAIL

Dear Starkdale Family in Christ,

Thank you so much for all of the thoughts and prayers during our time of need. The Lord has truly touched his healing hand upon our son. The overwhelming prayer and support was truly a blessing itself and we are so happy to finally have our little miracle back home. God bless.

Love,

Michael, Kylee, and Hunter Paris

Dear Starkdale Family,

Thank you for all of your cards and concern since I've been sick. A big thanks to Pat and Dave Daily for bringing the beautiful flowers on Easter. Sorry I missed their visit. I was at our son and daughter-in-law's for Easter. I am so blessed to have family and friends so caring. Thanks be to God.

Judy Cooper

Dear Starkdale Family,

Thank you so very much for your prayers, phone calls, cards, meals, and visits. It is a blessing to have such a caring church family. I am touched by your love and thoughtfulness.

Love,

DeDe Foley

Our Sympathy is extended to:

Bob and Linda Daily and their extended family in the death of Linda's brother, Lanny Hardman, on March 11th.

Ted and Janice Whitaker, Stu and Janet Stukins and their extended family in the death of their brother-in-law, Harry Booth, on March 25th.

James Purviance and his extended family in the death of his wife, Barbara Purviance, on March 28th.

Soup Kitchen Report

On April 9th, Soup Kitchen volunteers, Bob Burns, Ella Jane Burns, John Criss and Robbie France served 70 people a delicious hot meal of spaghetti and meatballs, salad, garlic bread and cakes from Two Ridges Presbyterian Church.

Dear Starkdale Congregation and Friends, If you are able to donate bottled water or pop (cans) for the **Friendship Warming Room benefit**, please bring it to the church and label it *Spaghetti Dinner*. All donations are appreciated.

mission of Jesus Christ.

I will celebrate these wonderful blessings during all my retirement years. I will always give thanks to God for allowing me to be part of the people who have paved the way for such blessings.

Beginning August 1st, it will indeed be difficult to find myself living in the same community, and running into people who have become to Vickey and me closer than brothers and sisters, and yet have a different level of relationship with them, certainly different from that of pastor and congregation. That is what will hurt deeply. But that is precisely God's design. Your new pastor must become your pastor. He or she would not like it very much having a former pastor act like he is still the pastor.

God's design is for one pastor to plant the seed and fertilize the soil, and for another to water and clean around what has been planted. God does the growth.

God's design is for Moses to lead the people through the wilderness, and for Joshua to bring them to the next level. Moses had to go in order for Joshua to be used effectively by God for the unfinished work.

God's design is for Apollos to bring the people together and for Paul to bring them to an understanding of what the whole thing is about.

But all are servants for an assigned time and in accordance to different talents and contexts of ministry.

That is also why there is a commonsense rule among Presbyteries that whenever a former pastor is needed to lead in worship or conduct a particular wedding or funeral, a church member cannot simply take it upon himself or herself to invite the former pastor. The member requesting this favor, should petition the session requesting the participation of the former pastor. The session and the new pastor are the ones to approve or disapprove of such a request; they are the ones who would issue the invitation to the former pastor to assist in whatever is requested by members. Most of the time, the new pastor is more than capable and willing to perform such duties at the satisfaction of church members even if their relationship to the new pastor is not strong yet. It is all about the glory of God, and not which pastor should do what task.

This is why we all need to trust God for the work of his church. I know that Starkdale does.

Moreover, I know that God has wonderful plans for Starkdale, the church that has won my heart until death do us part.

Starkdale, I will always love you and I will always keep you close to my soul and in my prayer.

In Christ,
Philip Makari

A Message From Pastor Bobbyjon Bauman

Greetings,

Here are the SYM May events:

May 2nd **iServe Steubenville at Urban Mission**
- **May 3rd** from 9-3 PM including a bunch of area churches this year as we will help Urban Mission sort food, paint, etc.

May 3rd ***A Return To The Hiding Place***
World premiere movie screening about Corrie Ten Boom who hid Jews from the Nazis at the time of the Holocaust and spent time in a concentration camp. You won't want to miss this. Everyone age 5th grade on up is welcome to attend. Cost \$7 per movie ticket 6:00-7:45 PM.

May 10 Mother's Day - No SYM Meeting

May 17 **All Valley Youth Rally** featuring the Allegheny Angels and many others @ Crossroads Church at 6:00-8:00 PM.

May 24 **Baccalaureate Service Featuring former Marshall University college football star Lester Hicks** at Westminster Church from 6:30-7:30 PM. Everyone is welcome!

Blessings! Pastor Bobbyjon

May Leadership Duties

Elders on Duty

George Allan
Bryan Felmet
Jane Gambos
Bob Sagrilla

Deacons on Duty

Rick Baker
Lisa Busby
Rick Carver
Kelly Dopp
Charlene Petrozzi
Diane Smith
Drew Stewart

Nursery Helpers

May 3 Pat Daily
May 10 Ella Jane Burns
May 17 Toni Zajdowicz
May 24 Chrissy Bube

A NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS taught by Audrey Kerr meets at 9:30 A.M. Audrey is teaching from one of her favorite books of the Bible-Ephesians.

THE YOUNGER ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS AGES (20-45) meets at 9:30 A.M. in the classroom upstairs next to the choir room. Pastor Bobbyjon Bauman is leading a new DVD Series entitled "Reason for God" by Tim Keller. Tim is from the Redeemer PCA Church in NYC.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY is planned for June 7. If you are graduating from high school, trade school, college/community college, or university, we want to celebrate with you. Please fill out the form (found on the narthex information table) and return it to Janet Stukins or Janice Whitaker no later than Sunday, May 24. Please plan to be in attendance at the June 7th 11:00 a.m. worship service.

VAN DRIVERS and OTHER DRIVERS ARE NEEDED for Sunday morning transportation. If you are able to help with this vital ministry, please contact John Parkinson or Bob Sagrilla. Thank You!

We will be holding a **CHURCH SECURITY SEMINAR** led by Tom Cox on May 31st following the 11 A.M. service. Tom is the Security Administrator and Jail Administrator for the Hancock County Sheriff's Dept. This is for the benefit of the entire congregation, so please stay, eat a light snack, and learn together how to be wise when it comes to church security. Nursery will be available.

A Message From Rev. Tom Bullard

GRIEF SUPPORT

Dear Friends,

Well, winter is over, and spring has come, so we are going to have another study using H. Norman Wright's book *Recovering from Life's Losses*.

Those who took it last fall, found it to be very helpful and beneficial.

We will meet each Wednesday at 10 A.M at Starkdale. Our first get together will be on May 6th. The study will last eleven weeks.

We hope to see you there. We come together to support each other and to grow and learn through our losses.

WORSHIP WITH US

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES
8:30 & 11 A.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL AGES 9:30 A.M.

KIDS ROCK MINISTRY Sunday Evenings 4-5:15 P.M.

STARKDALE YOUTH MINISTRY Sunday Evenings 6 P.M.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY 10 A.M.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY 6 P.M.

Rev. Dr. Philip Makari-Senior Pastor
Rev. Bobbyjon Bauman-Assoc. Pastor of Youth
& Young Families



Birthdays

- 6 Kelly Dopp
- 7 Cathy Lipinski
- 8 Carole Peterson
- 10 Carolyn McCamic
- 18 Kim Felmet
- 20 Marge Allan
- 20 Beckett Dopp
- 20 Tyra Timmons
- 22 Casher Dopp
- 24 Renee Bauman
- 24 Richard Carver
- 27 Jordan Ferguson
- 27 Tom Timmons
- 28 Jason Baker
- 30 Michael Ford
- 31 David Kinney

Anniversaries

- 3 Tom & Anna Ault
- 9 Robert & Margaret Stewart
- 16 Russell & Rita Wickham
- 23 Ray & Darene Waszkiewicz
- 24 John & Marlene Rhueff
- 28 Lou & Charlene Petrozzi
- 30 Joseph & Carolyn Glaub
- 30 Philip & Vickey Makari



Spaghetti Dinner Benefit

FOR THE FRIENDSHIP WARMING ROOM

**Saturday, May 9th from 2pm-6pm
Starkdale Presbyterian Church
4600 Sunset Blvd (next to Wendy's)
Steubenville, OH 49352**



Tickets:

\$10.00 for Adult

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In the past, you have graciously donated to the Abigail’s Angels/RDH12 Fund for Sight and we Thank You! Again, we are asking for your support.

On **May 5th**, you will have the opportunity to support your favorite local nonprofit organizations during the “*Amazing Raise Ohio Valley*” hosted by the Community Foundation for the Ohio Valley. The “*Amazing Raise Ohio Valley*” is a one day, 24-hour online giving challenge.

This year, the **RDH12 Fund for Sight** will be a part of this campaign. It kicks off at the stroke of midnight (12:00 a.m.) on May 5th and ends at 11:59 p.m. on May 5th.

If you would like to give, please go to www.giveov.org and make a donation on May 5th.

Thank you again for your support,

Lori Kinney



PENTECOST

By George Knight III

Pentecost is the day on which Jesus poured out God’s Spirit upon the apostles and believers gathered in Jerusalem. The Greek word for Pentecost literally means “the fiftieth,” that is, the fiftieth day after the Passover, or, in this case, after Jesus’ death. Since Jesus had appeared to His disciples after His resurrection “during forty days” (Acts 1:3), it had only been about ten days since His ascension (the “not many days from now” of His promise to them in 1:5). Luke relates the event in Acts 2:1–41 by first describing it and those individuals attendant upon it. Then he records Peter’s response to those who mocked the disciples with his quoting the prophecy of Joel. This leads to Peter’s presentation of the gospel, his declaration of Jesus as “both Lord and Christ” (v. 36), and ultimately his offer of that gospel to them.

The event fulfills the words of Jesus to His disciples “to wait [in Jerusalem] for the promise of the Father, which, he said, ‘you heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now... you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses’” (1:4–5, 8). A sound like a mighty rushing wind filled the house, tongues of fire rested upon them, “and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance” (2:2–4). “Both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians” (initially fulfilling the “all flesh” of 2:17) from all the nations around the Mediterranean Sea who were in Jerusalem for this feast had come together to observe this phenomenon. The text says that they heard the preachers “telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God” (v. 11) — a sound, a sight, the disciples speaking and the audience hearing without interpretation the mighty works of God in each one’s own language. Although similar to what we find in 1 Corinthians 14, it differs in that it displays all the power of the Spirit’s operation not only in the sound and sight but also in their being able to speak languages that others can understand without an interpreter.

As a result, nearly all were amazed, but some were mocking (“they are filled with new wine,” 2:13). Peter stood up in the midst of the apostles and said that the mockery was not a correct understanding because “this [phenomenon] is what was uttered through the prophet Joel” (2:16). For in that prophecy (Joel 2:17–18, 28–32) it is written, “And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh ... and they shall prophesy” (Acts 2:17–18). Peter attests through the citing of these words that the speaking of the disciples enabled by the Spirit is the beginning of the fulfillment of that prophecy. In this case, Joel’s word *prophecy* is utilized in its broadest sense as this account is referred to the apostolic band “telling in our

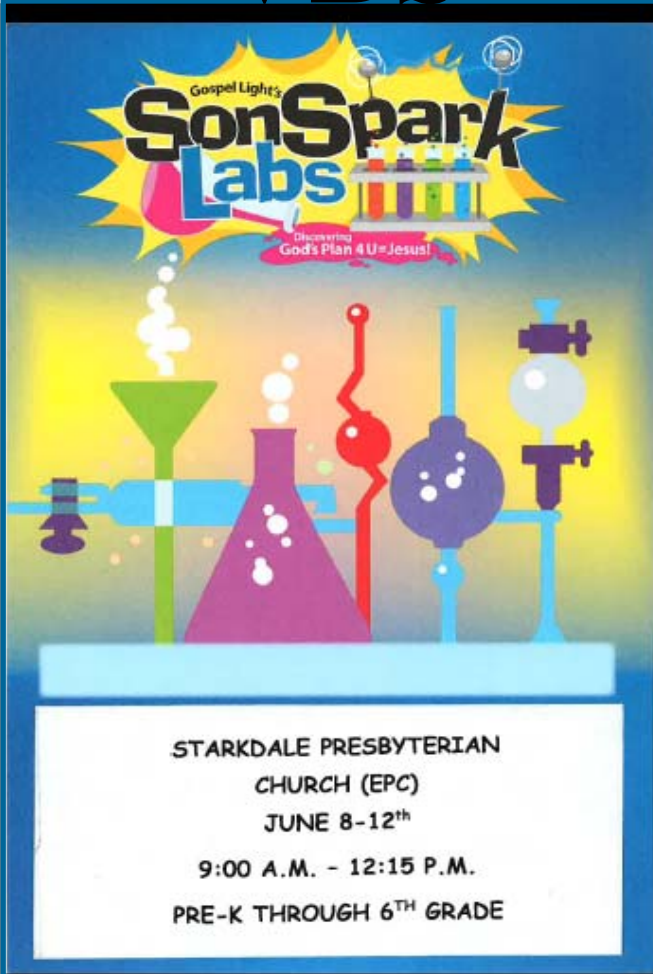
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own tongues the mighty works of God” by the enabling of the Holy Spirit (v. 11).

Peter ends his echoing of Joel’s prophecy in the middle of Joel 2:28 with the words “and it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Acts 2:21). He ends the citation with these words because they are the transition point from which he proclaims the message of salvation that is fulfilled in Jesus. He does so by reviewing the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus and how Jesus’ resurrection fulfills the promises of Psalm 16 (Acts 2:25–32) as well as how Jesus’ ascension fulfills the promise of Psalm 110 (Acts 2:33–35). This presentation demonstrates that this Jesus is truly “both Lord and Christ” (v. 36). Jesus’ ascension and outpouring of the Holy Spirit is the reason Peter can state that this truth should be known “for certain” (v. 36). Notice again verse 33: “Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.”

Peter tells the people that Jesus, the one whom they crucified, is Lord and Christ. Cut to the heart, they ask him what they should do. Peter says to them: “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit” (v. 38). Peter understands the Pentecost experience to mean that those who repent and believe will receive the forgiveness of their sins as well as the gift of the Holy Spirit. The apostolic band received both, but had to wait for the Spirit until Jesus had ascended. Believers who come to faith after the fullness of the Spirit’s outpouring as Acts records in Pentecost and a few other episodes no longer experience any delay between forgiveness and receiving the Spirit like those who came to faith in that transitional period between the old and new covenants that occurred in the first century.

This coupling of the gift of the Holy Spirit (or the baptism of the Holy Spirit) with one’s conversion is stated clearly by Peter here. (Baptism of the Spirit and gift of the Spirit are used interchangeably in Acts 1:5; 2:38; and also within 1:16–17.) Notice how Peter argues with the Jews in Jerusalem over the conversion of Cornelius on the basis of this joining of conversion and the gift of the Holy Spirit: “As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God’s way?” (11:15–17). And notice how he makes the gift (or baptism) of the Spirit to be the result of believing in Jesus (“the same gift to them as he gave to us when we



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THE HISTORY OF MOTHER'S DAY

Celebrations of motherhood can be traced back to the ancient Greeks and Romans, but the clearest modern precedent for Mother's Day is the early Christian festival known as "Mothering Sunday." Once a major tradition in the United Kingdom and parts of Europe, this celebration fell on the fourth Sunday in Lent and was originally seen as a time when the faithful would return to their "mother church"—the main church in the vicinity of their home—for a special service. Over time the Mothering Sunday tradition shifted into a more secular holiday, and children would present their mothers with flowers and other tokens of appreciation. This custom eventually faded in popularity before merging with the American Mother's Day in the 1930s and 1940s.

The roots of the modern American Mother's Day date back to the 19th century. In the years before the Civil War (1861-65), Ann Reeves Jarvis of West Virginia helped start "Mothers' Day Work Clubs" to teach local women how to properly care for their children. In 1868 Jarvis organized "Mothers' Friendship Day," at which mothers gathered with former Union and Confederate soldiers to promote reconciliation.

The official Mother's Day holiday arose in the 1900s as a result of the efforts of Anna Jarvis, daughter of Ann Reeves Jarvis. Following her mother's 1905 death, Anna Jarvis conceived of Mother's Day as a way of honoring the sacrifices mothers made for their children. She organized the first official Mother's Day celebration at a Methodist church in Grafton, West Virginia.

Following the success of her first Mother's Day, Jarvis—who remained unmarried and childless her whole life—resolved to see her holiday added to the national calendar. Her persistence paid off in 1914 when President Woodrow Wilson signed a measure officially establishing the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day. Anna Jarvis had originally conceived of Mother's Day as a day of personal celebration between mothers and families. Her version of the day involved wearing a white carnation as a badge and visiting one's mother or attending church services.

believed in the Lord Jesus Christ") and not upon waiting.

So Pentecost is a forerunner of all those times when individuals trust in Jesus Christ for forgiveness of sins and for the gift of the Holy Spirit. We who live in these times from Pentecost until Christ's return receive the same gift (or baptism) of the Spirit as the believers did at Pentecost but without the extraordinary gifts that attended it in the apostolic age. We can see how some of the attendant items had already waned between Pentecost and the time of the church in Corinth.

Finally, Peter links together not only the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit, but he also links the work of Jesus Christ as the fulfillment of the promise of the covenant of grace that was first made with Abraham ([Gen. 12:3](#); [17:7-8](#); [Gal. 3:7-9](#); [3:13-14](#)). Note well the offer that he makes in [Acts 2:39](#): "For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." Here the offer of the covenant is repeated in the promise as being "for you and for your children," just as it was for Abraham. And here also the promise is further extended "to those who are far off," that is, to the believer and his children through whom also the nations of the world will be blessed. The qualification of this promise is seen from the human perspective in the need to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and from the divine perspective in being those "whom the Lord our God calls to himself." "About three thousand souls" responded to this glorious invitation and "received his word [and] were baptized" and "were added" to the church on that great day when Christ poured out the promised Holy Spirit on His people ([Acts 2:41](#)).

That Holy Spirit is still the enabling power for our growth in holiness and the "power" that we need to be Jesus' witnesses to everyone around us, even "to the end of the earth" (1:8). Every true Christian has "the Spirit of Christ" ([Rom. 8:9](#)). All of us gifted-by-the-Spirit Christians (and there are no Christians who are not) should continually heed the admonition of the apostle Paul: "Be filled with the Spirit" ([Eph. 5:18](#)).

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