



Life in the Spirit

2026 CONGREGATIONAL THEME
LAWRENCEVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST

If we live by the Spirit,
let us also keep in step
with the Spirit.

Galatians 5:25

<i>January</i>	The Introduction of the Spirit
<i>February</i>	The Promise of the Spirit
<i>March</i>	The Messiah and the Spirit
<i>April</i>	The Gift of the Spirit
<i>May</i>	The Power of the Spirit
<i>June</i>	The Inspiration of the Spirit
<i>July</i>	The Unity of the Spirit
<i>August</i>	The Temple of the Spirit
<i>September</i>	The Fruit of the Spirit
<i>October</i>	Freedom in the Spirit
<i>November</i>	Adoption in the Spirit
<i>December</i>	Hope in the Spirit

Acts 2:37-41

³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” ³⁸ And Peter said 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. 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.” ⁴⁰ And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” ⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Acts 2:38b-39

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❖ What is it?

- Not “the *gifts* of the Holy Spirit”
- Not “the gift *from* the Holy Spirit”
- “the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him” (Acts 5:32)
- Romans 5:5; 1 John 3:24; et. al.

❖ Why do we need it?

- Without God’s Presence, there is no salvation.
- Titus 3:3-7; 2:11-14
- 2 Corinthians 3:18

❖ How is it received?

- By baptism into Jesus Christ (cf. John 3:5; Acts 19:1-5)

Luke 11:5-13

⁵ And he said to them, “Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves, ⁶ for a friend of mine has arrived on a journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; ⁷ and he will answer from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed. I cannot get up and give you anything’? ⁸ I tell you, though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his impudence he will rise and give him whatever he needs.

Luke 11:5-13

⁹ And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. ¹¹ What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; ¹² or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father **give the Holy Spirit** to those who ask him!”