

May 18, 2022 Sixth Sunday of Easter 10:30 AM

*\*Those who are able, please stand*

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

**WELCOME**

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. We hope the service will be a blessing to you. This is the Sixth Sunday of Easter. Today is also Heritage Sunday. Observed on the Third Sunday of May, this day calls The United Methodist Church to honor its heritage by committing itself to the continuing call of God known and spread by Charles and John Wesley, along with others, in the early Methodist movement reached and with whose denominations we are all joined together as The United Methodist Church.

The Flowers on the Alter are given in Memory of Sandra Maceyka's Mother by Sandy

May 19, 2025 - Free Lunch - 11:00 - 12:30 w/North Main

May 19, 2024 - Food Pantry - 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

May 22, 2025 - Coalition Barbeque @ Runnings - 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

May 26, 2025 - Memorial Day

June 11, 2025 - Baccalaureate @ Church of Holy Spirit - 6:00 PM

**MUSICAL PRELUDE:**      "The Voice of Jesus"      Pianist Mavis Baldwin

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE** (In Unison)

With the light of God's eternal love flooding into our hearts this day, may we feel the healing presence of God in our lives. Accept God's love and hope for you and let God's power and joy penetrate your hearts and spirits preparing you for new growth in the spirit of God. This is the gift freely given for you by Jesus Christ, God's risen Son our Lord. AMEN.

**INVITATION TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We come to worship the God of the Dream of a spirit of peace, justice, and love. Come, one and all. Gather together! For this is the day of the Lord!  
People: Praise be to God who has drawn us from darkness and filled our world with light.

Leader: We come together this day, drawn by the light of God's love!

People: In God's eternal kingdom, darkness and despair are vanquished.

Leader: In God's eternal realm, peace and hope reign!

People: Let all the people praise God with their music and their voices!

Leader: Let all the people praise God with their deeds of loving-kindness!

People: Praise be to God. AMEN!

**GATHERING SONG**      "More Love to Thee, O Christ"      UMH 453

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (In Unison)

Lord of love, You have asked us to keep your commandments. You know how easy it is for us to sit here and forget what we have been asked to do. We are not unlike the disciples who wondered and who feared and sometimes were unsure of the gifts You have given. Lord, come to us in our darkness. Flood us with your powerful light of love and mercy. Help open our eyes to the good news of your eternal glory. Give to us visions of the place in which love and hope will reign. Open our eyes to your presence that we may lean on You For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN

**TIME WITH GOD'S CHILDREN** Pray for all the children of the World today as they struggle with the same fears and concerns that we all have. Bring them peace.

**SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS** (Prayer request forms are available at the back of the sanctuary)

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**PRAYER RESPONSE**      "O Lord Hear My Prayer"      TFWS 2200

**GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**      "Bow The Knee"      Chancel Choir

**DOXOLOGY**      "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"      UMH 95

**UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGING**

Loving God, may we recognize the hope of your call, "the richness of God's glorious inheritance among believers," and share that call with others. Your

voice speaks to us across creation. As we offer gifts to you and speak our words of gratitude for our heritage, help us to hear your voice anew. Give us ears to hear, faith to believe, and determination to truly listen to how you would send us into a hurting world. Use our gifts today for the missions of this Church, our Community and the World. In Christ, we pray. Amen

SONG OF COMMITMENT      “As a Fire is Meant for Burning”                      TFWS 2237

SPECIAL PRAYER (In Unison) Covenant Prayer - The Wesleyan Tradition UMH 607

PSALTER READING                      Psalm 148    UMH 861-862

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH      A Modern Affirmation    UMH 885

GLORIA PATRI (*We use this ancient response to praise God for the Bible*)      UMH 70

SCRIPTURE      Acts 11: 1-18      John 13:31-35

SHARING THE STORY                      “A Call to Action”              Pastor Joyce Royal

SENDING SONG                      “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”    UMH 117

THE SENDING FORTH

Beloved of God, go to be a blessing. Bring the good news of forgiveness and healing to this hurting, lonely world. Bring hope to all, for God’s love is poured out for all God’s people. Be bearers of peace and hope to all you meet, and may God’s peace be with you always. AMEN.

MUSICAL POSTLUDE                      “Forward Through the Ages” Mavis Baldwin      UMH 555

**Prayer List:** Family of Sheila McDonald, Staff Sgt Donald Bentley, Nick Orlosky, Dave Winnie, Logan Van Dyke, family of Portia Robles, The family of Tom Estes, Doug Topliff, carol Johnson, Nancy Egan, Bev Bartlett, Calae Bonfey, Jean Hart, Elaine Schrum, Ivy Patterson. A special prayer for Jack and Diane Sanford, Don Williams.

\*\*\* If you have a joy or a prayer request or would like to be a part of the Prayer Chain group, please call Carol Johnson at 518-921-9902\*\*\*

# Welcome to Worship

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We Gather to Worship

We Scatter to Serve

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***Fifth Sunday After Easter***  
**UNITED METHODIST HERITAGE SUNDAY**

