

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 05, 2024 at 9:30 am

First United Methodist Church

"Feed the Need"
Putting Our Faith into Motion
By Feeding the Body, Mind, and Soul



THE CHURCH GATHERS

(*) The congregation will please stand as able.

SILENT PRAYER AND TIME FOR CENTERING WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS PRELUDE *CALL TO WORSHIP

The Spirit is coming to bless us all with a new song:

Let our joy be complete!

Gifts for the good of all, poured out on all to teach us a new song: Love one another! Strangers and neighbors, foreigners and family will join in the new song:

No longer servants but friends! Come, let our worship make a joyful noise,

Rejoicing in the friendship of God.

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 617

UMH

I Come With Joy Dove of Peace

*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION *PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving and merciful One, we thank you for the community in which you have placed us, for the brothers and sisters with whom we walk this pilgrim journey.

Yet, we confess that we fail to love as you love. We push aside those whom we believe are the least in your Kingdom.

We fail to see your Kingdom in parables because we fail to see your Kingdom in each other. Form in us a new vision of community in which there is neither East nor West, neither South nor North. We pray for the sake of your Kingdom that both is and is not yet. Amen.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Like sunlight poured into an open meadow, Christ pour his love into our hearts. Like the earth laid out beneath us, he has laid down his life for us. And he continues to fill us with his love, so that we may love others as he has loved us.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The congregation may be seated.

THE CHURCH HEARS THE WORD OF GOD

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Acts 10:44-48 (Pg.895)

NRSV

ANTHEM I Give You A New Commandment lesson)

Peter Aston (Text is paraphrase of Gospel

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL OF US

*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 162 Alleluia, Alleluia ALLELUIA NO. 1 **UMH**

Please remain standing for the Gospel Lesson.

*GOSPEL LESSON: John 15:9-17 (Pg.878)

NRSV

For the word of God in Scripture,

For the word of God among us, For the word of God within us, Thanks be to

God!

*GLORIA PATRI NO. 70 MEINEKE

UMH

SERMON "Transformation 6-From Divide to Abide"

THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN NO. 5260 UMH

Help Us Accept Each Other ACCEPTANCE

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS PRAYER SONG No. 2179 TFWS

Live in Charity TAIZE UBI CARITAS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER SONG No. 2179 TFWS

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PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*DOXOLOGY No. 94 LASST UNS ERFREUEN UMH

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

The Great Thanksgiving (Setting D, Pg. 23) UMH

THE LORD'S PRAYER No.895 UMH

THE CHURCH IS SENT TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 557

UMH

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

COINS FOR CHRIST- during the hymn you may bring your coins forward to put in the cross.

*BENEDICTION

Voluntary:

Worship elements: re:Worship

Bible New Revised Standard Version (NSRV) United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) The Faith We Sing (TFWS)

<u>Liturgist</u>: Jane Combs <u>Acolyte</u>: Natalia Hernandez Parsell

<u>Greeters</u>: Sam & Lorie Tweedy <u>Ushers:</u> Donna Walter & Sharon Parker

Altar Flowers; In loving memory of Benjamin Paul Combs given by his

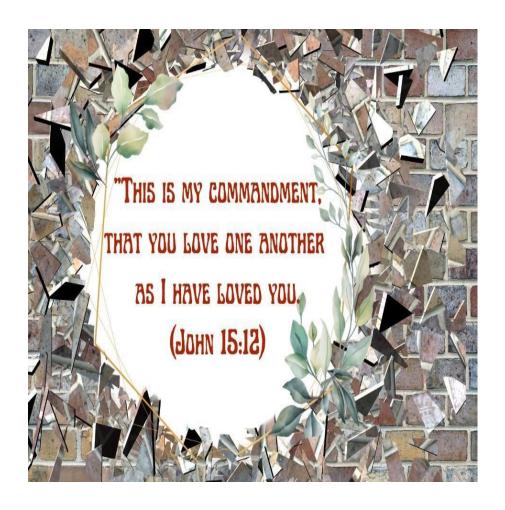
family.

Video and Sound Engineer: Alex Wilderman

Readings May 12, 2024

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26, Psalm 1 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19



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