



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** **UMH**
Alleluia, Alleluia *ALLELUIA NO. 1*

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

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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)

Liturgist: Jane Combs

Acolyte: Natalia Hernandez Parsell

Greeters: Sam & Lorie Tweedy

Ushers: 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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