

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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"A Holy, Healthy, and Loving Community Striving to Know Christ and to Make Christ Known"



May 22, 2022
Fifth Sunday of Eastertide

WELCOME ----- Pastor Michael Atkinson

PRELUDE ---- "Voluntary in F Major" / Charles Zeuner ---- Dr. Jessica Scott

*CALL TO WORSHIP -----Matthew Lilly, liturgist

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us.

People: May God's face shine upon us and bring us peace!

Leader: Let all people praise you, O Lord.

People: Let all people shout their joy to your holy name.

Leader: God blesses us continually throughout all our lives.

People: Thanks be to God, for God's eternal love and blessing. Amen.

*OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, your changes touch our lives with mystery and hope. We come to you this day, ready to see your power working in our lives and through our lives. Help us to be open to your Word, and to answer your call among us. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

*HYMN #79 ----- "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

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.

MUSICAL OFFERTORY - - "I Love You, Lord / Glorify Thy Name" -- J. Innes
Dr. Scott, piano and Mr. Miller, organ
Currently, offering plates are not being passed during worship.
If you wish to make an offering,
you will find the offering plates at the front of the sanctuary, or in the narthex.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

High School
Khloe Hazuka Matthew Lilly Kilee Williams
College
Lucy Thompson

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS WITH THE PASTOR

GOSPEL LESSON: John 14: 23-29 - - - - - Khloe Hazuka, liturgist

Jesus answered him, 'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

SERMON ----- “Fearless” -----Pastor Atkinson

(You are encouraged to use this space for notes.)

PRAYER OF INVITATION

*HYMN #707-----”Hymn of Promise”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE -- “Join We All with One Accord” / Jayson Snipes- - - - Dr. Scott

If you know of someone who is in the hospital, nursing home, or has a need,
please let Pastor Atkinson or Rev. Jenkins know.

Pastor Atkinson at 304-771-3309 or Reverend Jenkins at 304-280-0592

“I felt my heart strangely warmed....”

Aldersgate Day is celebrated on May 24 to commemorate the day in 1738 when John Wesley experienced assurance of his salvation. Wesley reluctantly attended a group meeting that evening on Aldersgate Street in London, at which he heard a reading from Luther's Preface to the Epistle to the Romans.

Wesley wrote in his journal that at about 8:45 p.m. "while he was describing the change which God works in the heart through faith in Christ, I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone for salvation; and an assurance was given me that He had taken away my sins, even mine, and saved me from the law of sin and death."

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