

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

MAY 12, 2024

11:00 AM

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JOYS AND CELEBRATIONS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

INTROIT

*Surely the Presence of the Lord*

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Today we celebrate our mothers, grandmothers, aunties, and all the women who have loved us.

**Thank you God for giving us mothers.**

We remember with deep gratitude all the ways they demonstrated their love for us.

**Sometimes we did not understand them, but we know that God understood.**

We take time to remember our mothers because a mother's love is most like God's love.

**For their tears, for their hugs, for their wisdom, for their unfailing trust in our abilities, we give thanks today. Amen.**

\*HYMN 369

*Blessed Assurance*

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*APOSTLES' CREED 881

\*GLORIA PATRI 70

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY 95

ANTHEM

*Heavenly Sunlight*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

John Crabtree

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:44-53

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*The Ascension*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING 12

Please use the musical responses on page 17. Your generous offering left on the Communion rail goes to the Pantry Fund, which assists those of our community in need.

\*HYMN 526

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

\*POSTLUDE

Items in **BOLD** are unison. Items with an asterisk (\*) denote standing as you are able.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessing Box contributions are due May 19, 2024.

Trustee meeting May 19, 2024 at 12:15 pm following morning worship.

Administrative Board Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 19th at 3:00 pm. If you are chairperson of a committee, please make plans to attend. If you would like to be put on the agenda; please let Sharon know at (423) 707-8476.

It's time to gather our Hands-On Mission Projects for Annual Conference. We're doing school backpacks for Liberia and copies of the packing list are with the bulletins. These need to be brought to church by Sunday, May 26.

Choir Rehearsal is every Wednesday at 6:00 PM. Please join us if you are interested in becoming a member.

Remember that you can join the weekly Sunday Worship services on YouTube, Facebook, or the First UMC website.

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Date	Coffee	Greeters	Children's Sermon	Children's Church	Bulletin Board
05-May	Littlejohn	Brown/Auld	Kruger	Communion	Bartholomew Holder
12-May	Payne	Holder	Crabtree	Payne	
19-May	Holder	Evans/Peake	Fortune	Pennington	
26-May	Bellamy/Smith	Bartholomew	Crabtree	Bontrager	

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