

✠ OUR PRAYER LIST TODAY ✠

L: Lord, in Your mercy,

P: Hear our prayers!

All those living with cancer—Muriel Boden, Ann Widener, John Chapman, Sherri Horst Clark, Jimmy Parker, Trent Lubers, Wanda Landers, Joyce, Craig Dobrinski, John Harris, Garry Howard, Ronnie Schulz, Danny, Rev. Larry Masoner, Jimmy Cole, Clea Sims, John Fleming, Alcy Wilkie (W'CORN), Ricky Ray (father of Ty Ray), Lambert Dunn (father of Jamie Sisson), Bobby Cornelson, Kristi Lamle, Terry Fuller's son, Michale Chase, Troy Lee, Roy Ford, Hanson Sisson (Bob's brother), Gloria Loken, Amy (sister of Dana Hoffman), Kay Tautfest, Janice Dupree, Rev. Ken Tobler, John Auge.

Joys & Concerns—Thanks for rain; all high school & college graduates; thanks for our great youth in leading worship & Kelley Ramey our youth director; thanks for end of wildfires; Maryjane Eldred; Jackie Ludrick (hospice care at Maple Lawn, Hydro); Rose Ratcliffe; 1LT Jimi Drue Blagowsky (on tng. mission in Seoul, Korea); Cherrie & Gerald Payne (Brookdale, Kelley Ramey's mom); Joyce Hamburger (medical); all world leaders; Bryan Baxter; Those struggling with marital issues; Kaye Zimmerman (mother of Shauna Rhoads); Mary Statser; All care-givers serving loved ones; Joy Blanton; Archer George; Jeanne Rookhuyzen; Karen & Kenny Day; Kamdyn Taunton; Kirk Milligan; those with addictions/mental illness/depression; Jason Mills; James Ediger; Armando; all those incarcerated and their families.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 6, 2018

8:30 & 10:30AM

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Eastertide; Color is White

Liturgists: Terry Fuller (8:30); Witten Beam (10:30)

✠ Please Stand As You Are Able ❖ 10:30AM Service Only

I. ENTRANCE

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S CHILDREN FOR WORSHIP

You are invited to light a candle at one of the Prayer Stations, located at the far ends of the Chancel railing.

Servant Leader Opportunities Please View the Screens

Gathering Chimes . . . Let the people enter into silence
The Greeting & Opening Prayer Rev. Brack

Prelude "O Waly, Waly" Robert Powell
Marti Bessinger, organ

Words of Welcome
❖❖ Gathering Song "Mighty To Save" W. & S. No. 3038
(v. 1 soloist only; congregation sings only the "Refrain")

✠ WORDS OF GATHERING & PRAISE
Sing to the Lord a new song. Let the mountains quake. We worship a God of wonder. Sing praises to our God. Let the musicians join the heavenly chorus. We worship a God of saving love. Shout triumphantly to the Lord, all the earth. We worship a God of majesty and might. Come, worship the Lord!

✠ PROCESSIONAL
Hymn of Praise U.M.H. No. 617
"I Come With Joy" (vv. 1, 2, 3)
Lighting of the Altar Candles & Lifting Up the Cross

COLLECT OF THE DAY
Together, let us pray . . . Almighty God, You have demonstrated Your love for us by coming in the flesh: Confirm the hearts of Your children and strengthen us with the power of grace, that we may be devout in prayer and sincere in our love for one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God in glory everlasting. AMEN.

❖ ANTHEM Chancel Choir

II. PROCLAMATION and RESPONSE

❖ 3-M: MINI-METHODISTS MOMENT Ruth Boyd
As children enter the Chancel, ALL SING . . . W. & S. No. 3163
"Walking in the Light of God" (first page only) [see screens]

As children return to their seats, ALL SING . . . W. & S. No. 3163
"Walking in the Light of God" (first page only) [see screens]

✠ THE LESSON Acts 10:44-48
"Behold! The Wisdom of God's Word!"
Leader: And this is the Word of the Lord!
People: Thanks be to God!

✠ THE GLORIA PATRI U.M.H. No. 70

HOMILY "Even On The Gentiles" Rev. Brack

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS & OURSELVES
PASTORAL PRAYER

APPRECIATION & RECOGNITION OF OUR TEACHERS
(see page 3 for liturgy)

III. THANKSGIVING and HOLY COMMUNION

Steward: Carol Paxton
Servers: Terry Fuller, Witten Beam, Hollis Beam, Shelby Calkins

A SERVICE OF WORD and TABLE II U.M.H. No. 12

PASSING OF THE PEACE Sharing signs of love and reconciliation

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING . . . God offers us peace, strength, and love. As a sign of our thanksgiving and praise, let us offer our gifts to God.

OFFERTORY "Gaelic Melody" arr. Dale Wood
Marti Bessinger, organ

✠ DOXOLOGY "From Whom All Blessings Flow" U.M.H. No. 94
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

✠ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
8:30AM Service . . . U.M.H. No. 15
❖ 10:30AM Service . . . Musical Setting "D" U.M.H. Nos. 23-24

GIVING THE BREAD and CUP

❖ HOLY COMMUNION HYMNS Nos. 625, 393, 614, 400
[❖ To Be Sung as the Loaf and Cup are Shared With Those at the Holy Table]

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER HOLY COMMUNION
Leader: Let us pray together . . .
People: Eternal God, we give You thanks for this holy mystery in which You have given Yourself to us, for our faith is the victory that overcomes the world. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

#### IV. SENDING FORTH INTO GOD'S WORLD

✧ HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP (8:30AM only) U.M.H. No. 400  
"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" (all 3 vv.)

✧ COMMISSION and BLESSING

Walk in God's grace. **We will bring the gospel to the world.** Love with Christ's mercy. **We will share the good news with our neighbors.** Bask in the Spirit's blessings. **We will walk the sacred path each and every day.**  
Amen? **AMEN!**

❖✧ PARTING SONG & RECESSIONAL W. & S. No. 3180

*"As We Part for the Towns and Cities"*

**As we part for the towns and cities,  
Where You summon us to go,  
Guide us, Lord, give us strength and courage,  
Teach us all we need to know.  
Keep us humble, fixed on You, forever seeking, born anew.  
Kindle holy fires within us; may Your Holy Spirit glow.**

POSTLUDE "Earth and All Stars Variations" arr. Robert Powell  
Marti Bessinger, organ

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#### RECOGNITION OF OUR TEACHERS

Pastor: You have recognized God's call in your lives. Will you take seriously your role as learner, studying diligently the Scriptures and traditions of our faith? If so, let us hear your response.

Teachers: We have heard God's call to teach and have responded to that call. We teach, trusting in God's promises to support, sustain, and encourage us through gifts sufficient for the task. We teach, relying on prayer and the presence of the Holy Spirit. We teach, inviting others to recognize and respond to God's call in their lives. We teach, depending on this congregation to uphold us in this task.

Congregation: **We pledge ourselves to pray for you and for the educational ministry of this congregation. We pledge ourselves to enable, encourage, and love you in this ministry. We pledge ourselves to be learners with you, diligently studying with you the Scriptures and traditions of our faith.**



A man had two sons.  
And he went to the first and said,  
**"Son, go and work in  
the vineyard today."**

MATTHEW 21: 28

Today, Sunday May 6, 2018 . . .

. Kudos to all our church teachers; you are appreciated!

. "First Sunday Potluck Luncheon" today in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 10:30 service. Join us for food, fun, and fellowship!

. 5:30PM—Work Area committee meetings in classrooms along west corridor  
6:30PM—Leadership Team meeting in Neonate Classroom area

Upcoming Events . . .

, Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> . . .

5:30PM—"Teacher Appreciation" hamburger cook-out at Means Park. Final "Wonderful Wednesday" for the spring semester.

, Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup> . . .

6-7PM—Info meeting with Raquel Razien with Circle of Care on being a child foster care parent; gather in Neonate Classroom area.

, Next Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> . . .

10:30AM service—High School graduates recognition Sunday

, Colin Murphy is currently working for The Language Company, teaching English as a second language. TLC is looking for host families in W'ford to house approx. five students from Panama for a period of 4-6 months. Host families will receive financial reimbursement. If interested or for more details, please contact Colin Murphy from our church at colin\_a\_murphy@yahoo.com.

, Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> . . .

7:30PM—Memorial service in our Chapel honoring the life of Lona Scott (former member of our Chancel Choir)