

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- ◆ 5/28: Pentecost Sunday (10:30)
- ◆ 5/31: Choir Practice (7:30)
- ◆ 6/1: Circle of Faith (10:00)
- ◆ 6/3: Young Adult outing
- ◆ 6/4: Lemonade on the Lawn
- ◆ 6/4-6/7: Holston Annual Conference at Lake Junaluska

The UMW will not have an executive meeting or general meeting the evening of June 1. The Circle of Faith will meet June 1 at 10:00 am in the conference room.

A Celebration of Life for William "Bill" Herzer will be held on Friday, June 9th with the program beginning at 5:00 pm CST. The location is 1820 NW Broad Street, Murfreesboro, TN 37129.

Food Pantry Items of the Month

For the month of May, the Food Pantry is collecting items to supplement food for our neighbors in need. The needed items are paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, toothbrushes, & toothpaste. In addition, the food pantry can always use canned meat & canned fruit. Donations can be placed in the boxes in the narthex and the connector.

Prayer Cover: Fran Waterbury

Prayer List

Randy & Pat Adams
Travis Buchanan
Family of Bruce Carson
Catherine Cartus
Ryan Cradic
Vernon Crawford
Jackie Denny
Paul Duncan
Phyllis Eckerson
Vivian Eckerson
Cecilia Fleckstein
Margaret Frazier
Jim Furches
Bob Gore
Betty & Earl Gouge
Dalton Gough
Pam Hagen
Mendy Hall
Nora & Tony Haynes
Family of Linda Hodge
Scott Huff
Joyce Josie
Family of Mike Kellum
Deni Kiehl
Linda Kostreva
Family of Bradley Kuykendall
Stacy Larsen
Aubrey Lee
Bob & Wanda May
David McElveen
Jim & CarolAnne Milliken
Tom Palmer
Ruby Payne
Bob & Athena Peebles
Carolyn Peebles
Family of Dee Dee Reid
Steven Schmidt
Louise Scott
Family of Ed Searcey
Anna Grace West
Manna House



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WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, MAY 28, 2023

PENTECOST

Prelude

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

Traditional Spiritual, Arr. Mark Hayes

First Things First

Call to worship

Leader: On that first Pentecost, God's Spirit transformed the lives of the disciples and changed the world.

People: May that same Spirit be poured out on us today.

Leader: On that first Pentecost, God's Holy Fire filled the lives of the disciples with light and new life.

People: May that same Fire burn in us today.

Leader: People of the Pentecost, open your hearts to God's great power and love.

People: We open our ears to listen for God's Spirit, and our lives to joyfully proclaim Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise

"Soul on Fire"

On Screen

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Spirit of God, in our weakness and failure, we come again seeking cleansing and restoration for our souls.

People: Come to us as the gift of truth, to expose to us our pride, greed, and self-deceit.

Leader: Come to us as rushing wind, to remove our hurtful and judgmental attitudes.

People: Come to us as tongues of fire, to refine us into vessels of peace, compassion, and justice.

Leader: Come to us as wise counselor, to encourage us to paths of integrity and faithfulness.

People: Come to us as holy promise, that we may know the joy of being children of God.

Leader: Come to us, Holy Spirit, and breathe into us forgiveness and new life.

People: Come to us, inspire us, and empower us to be witnesses of God's boundless love and amazing grace to all the world.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: The Spirit meets us with grace, lifts us into God's presence, and gives us peace. My friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed to try again. Thanks be to God! AMEN

New Testament Reading 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Reflection "Gift of Christ From God Our Father" On Screen

Mission Moment

Doxology #94

New Testament Reading Acts 2:14-21

Anthem "Spirit of Comfort, Spirit of Hope"

Sermon "The Gift of the Spirit" Rev. Jodie Ihfe

Hymn of Commitment "O Spirit of the Living God" #539

Giving of Bibles and Promotion

Benediction

Benediction Response

So shall we know the power of Christ
who came this world to save;
So shall we rise with Him to life
which soars beyond the grave;
And earth shall win true holiness,
which makes Thy children whole;
Till, perfected by Thee,
we reach creation's glorious goal!

We celebrate with Leah Eddy and Jacob Pardue, who were married on Saturday, May 27.

Abragayle Roe was not listed with the other senior high graduates. Please consider writing a card for Abragayle and leaving it in the box in the connector or narthex.

offering boxes are located at the front and rear of the sanctuary and in the narthex.