

THE WORSHIP OF GOD Fifth Sunday After Pentecost, July 5, 2020 Fayetteville First UMC

Please enter in a spirit of worship.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come with joy and gladness to praise and honor God. Come to the table which gives newness of life. God is gracious and merciful and full of compassion; All creation joins us in giving thanks. The gentle spirit of Christ invites us; We have come to find rest for our souls.

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *universal UMH 881

*Invitation, Confession and Pardon

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin Senior Minister

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We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love: "The peace of Christ be with you." **"And also with you."**

ANTHEM

Hear Our Prayer

Marty Parks

Hear our prayer. O Father, hear our prayer, In mercy please forgive us, as your blessing we share. And heal our land, O Father, heal our land; And grant to us Your vision and the courage to stand. Your precepts are holy and right; and Your Word gives radiant light. So hear our prayer, Lord, hear our prayer.

America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!

***PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Jesus, we on the word depend, Spoken by thee when present here, "Thy Father in my name shall send The Holy Ghost, the Comforter." That heavenly Teacher of Mankind, that Guide infallible impart, To bring thy sayings to our mind, and write them on our faithful heart. — Charles Wesley

*Scripture Lesson

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

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⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

... And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

... And so,

in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

... Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

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.

COMMUNION

You are invited to contribute to the benevolence fund as you exit to assist those in need. Please take communion at your seat and dispose of element containers as you exit the sanctuary.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. 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.

Hymn

This Is My Song

FINLANDIA

This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine. This is my home, the country where my heart is; here are my hopes, my dreams my holy shrine; but other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine; but other lands have sunlight too, and clover, and skies are everywhere as blue as mine. O hear my song, thou God of all the nations, a song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms: Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done. Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him, and hearts united learn to live as one. O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations; myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

*BENEDICTION

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Postlude

The Battle Hymn of the Republic

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Mr. Rick Massengale, organ

Please exit by the chancel only. Place bulletin in recycling bin or take it with you. Offerings will be received by the chancel as you exit.

Please remember in your prayers:

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Billy Arnold Van Askew Carolyn Broady Ken Broady Annelle Burch Quentin Cash Richard Clayton Howard Dunham Margaret Grainger Martha Hale Doris Kerlin Lurlene Perry Mabel Wilbanks Brad Wilkinson







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