



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Fayetteville First UMC
6th Sunday after Pentecost
July 4, 2021

GREETING

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Tribute to America
Mr. Justin Maxey, Director of Music & Organist

arr. Mark Hayes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Martin

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Martin and **People**

This is the day that the LORD has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
We enter the courts of the LORD with praise.
Be strong in the LORD and in the strength of His power.

***HYMN 697**

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

AMERICA

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON

Dr. Martin and **People**

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.
So now, let us rise in body or spirit and confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**Let us pray together:*

Gracious God, have mercy on us.
We confess thick tongues and awkward lives; we are slow to sing your praise.
Yet, we plead, Lord, in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, those things done and left undone.
Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and the glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are a forgiven people.
Glory to God! Alleluia! Amen.



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***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:

“The peace of Christ be with you.” **“And also with you.”**

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor

Irving Berlin, arr. Roy Ringwald

*Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.
Send these the homeless tempest tossed to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!*

***DOXOLOGY**

OLD 100th

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Dr. Martin and **People**

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read
and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

***SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Psalm 48

Dr. Martin

¹*Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God. His holy mountain,*

²*beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.*

³*Within its citadels God has shown himself a sure defense.*

⁴*Then the kings assembled, they came on together.*

⁵*As soon as they saw it, they were astounded; they were in panic, they took to flight;*

⁶*trembling took hold of them there, pains as of a woman in labor,*

⁷*as when an east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.*

⁸*As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God, which God establishes forever. Selah*

⁹*We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.*

¹⁰*Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth. Your right hand is filled with victory.*

¹¹*Let Mount Zion be glad, let the towns of Judah rejoice because of your judgments.*

¹²*Walk about Zion, go all around it, count its towers,*

¹³*consider well its ramparts; go through its citadels, that you may tell the next generation*

¹⁴*that this is God, our God forever and ever. He will be our guide forever.*

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

In Dependence Days

The Rev. Carson Thaxton
Children and Family Minister

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,
God 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 God,
now and for ever.

Amen.

COMMUNION

***PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Dr. Martin and People

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.

***HYMN 696**

America the Beautiful

MATERNA

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Thaxton

POSTLUDE

Our Country

arr. Albin C. Whitworth

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

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Offerings will be received by the chancel as you exit.

Please remember in your prayers:

Marlene Amos
Van Askew
Annelle Burch
Joe Byers

Richard Clayton
Anne Free
Margaret Grainger
Martha Hale

Tangie Hubbard
Cindy Jennings
Doris Kerlin
Claudia Rhodes

Nancy Ricciardi
Mabel Wilbanks
Brad Wilkinson

In Memoriam
Lurlene Perry
June 24, 2021

Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with

Mike, Tricia, and Todd Perry upon the death of Mike's mother and Todd's grandmother, Lurlene Perry, on June 24, 2021.

The flowers today are presented to the glory of God

and in celebration of Bob Garrett's 70th birthday by Lynne Garrett.



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