

The Worship of God

Fayetteville First United Methodist Church
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 11:00 AM | MAY 14, 2023

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
arr. Pierce Dickens

Mr. Justin Maxey
Director of Music & Organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 66:8-14 The Rev. Allyson Lawrence and **People**
Associate Minister

Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard,
who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.
For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.
You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs;
you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.
I will come into your house with burnt offerings; I will pay you my vows,
those that my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

*HYMN 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from Romans 8:35, 37-39

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
Shall tribulation or distress,
or persecution or famine,
or nakedness or peril or sword?

No!

**In all things we are more than conquerors
through the One who loved us.**

**We are sure that neither
death nor life,
nor angels, nor principalities,
nor things present, nor things to come,
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Thanks be to God! Amen.**

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***GLORIA PATRI**

MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Dr. Martin and People

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Lawrence 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.

FIRST READING

1 Peter 3:13-22

Rev. Lawrence

¹³Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you;

¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water.

²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES, PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence

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 92**

For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Dr. Martin

OFFERTORY

If Ye Love Me

Chancel Choir

Thomas Tallis

*If ye love me,
keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may 'bide with you forever,
e'en the spirit of truth.*

*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.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Dr. Martin

Children ages 4 years through 2nd grade are invited to attend Wonders of Worship in Room B225.

Children 3rd grade and older are encouraged to stay in the sanctuary for the service.

The nursery is available for infants through 3 years.

*GOSPEL READING

John 14:15-21

Rev. Lawrence

¹⁵"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

¹⁸"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Dr. Martin

*HYMN 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BEECHER

*BENEDICTION

Dr. Martin

*May the peace of Christ go with you wherever He may send you.
May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.
May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.
May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our arms.*

*POSTLUDE

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
arr. Gayden Sikes

Mr. Maxey

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Van Askew
Nancy Byers
Richard Clayton
Karen Davis

Robbie Gray
Martha Hale
Don Harp
Tangie Hubbard

Cindy Jennings
Doris Kerlin
Sara Reams
Claudia Rhodes

Brenda Tierman
Helen Voyles
Julie Watson

The flowers in the sanctuary today are presented to the glory of God
and in memory of Cathryn R. Stephens by Harriet and Kwynn.

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In recognition of mothers and those who mother us, the following have made a donation to missions through the Bethany Circle of the United Methodist Women/United Women in Faith. Beneficiaries include Promise Place, our local women and children's shelter, and Bloom, a local non-profit organization offering support for foster children and families. With gratitude, we recognize these women and all those who mother us.

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Robin Anderson
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In Honor of (continued):

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Gerry Haymans
Sara Johnston
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Doris Kerlin
Megan Kraemer
Jenny Lindsey
Nancy Lindsey
Nancy Lindsey
Sarah Lindsey
Ellen Lowe
Leslie Martin
Anna Mayhew
Amanda McDonald
Sara Morgan
Mothers of the Church
Murphy-Lighthouse Class Mothers
Kimberly Parr
Carol Ann Partridge
Virginia Pope
Carol Pruett
Jeffrey Ray
Carolyn Roberts
Carolyn K Roberts
Joy Rotz
Laura Rueckel
Fran Scott
Kaye Stanfield
Tonya Stanfield
Dianne Stanislawski
Eileen Stevens
Dorothy Swanson
Roz van Leeuwen
Becky Voyles
Helen Voyles
Leslie Wade

Hannah Beth Watson
Julie C. Watson
Maryalice Watson
Carol Webb
Lynne Wood
Samantha Wood
8:45 Service Mothers and Grandmothers

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Joe Watson
Rev. Joe & Julie Watson
Bill Webb
Gary Wood
Gary Wood
Rob and Lamar

In Memory of:

Dorothy Adams
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Catherine Anderson
Regina Babb
Betty Baileys
Gloria Blackett
Paulina Blackett
Ethel Brackbill
Nancy Bray
Annelle Burch
Annelle Burch
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Lula Duggan Camp
Ruth Carson
Janice Cole
Joanne Cole
Margaret Connally
Carolyn Croft
Dorothy Crook
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Mary Dettmering
Annette Duke
Elizabeth Dunn
Elizabeth P Dunn
Annette Elliott
Lois Ewing
Joanne Fowler
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Lynne & Bob Garrett
Charles & Mickey Robinson
Kay Walters
Raymond & Robertine Mitchely
Randy Riddell
Carolyn & Roger Roberts
Charles & Mickey Robinson
Linda & Dennis Saunders
Brian, Nancy & Lindsey Family
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