

The Worship of God

Fayetteville First United Methodist Church

7th Sunday After Easter | 11:00 AM | June 1, 2025

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Christ Lay in Death's Bounds from *Orgelbüchlein*
Johann Sebastian Bach

Nicholas Bowden
Director of Music & Organist

*INTROIT

Hymn of Fellowship
John Ness Beck

Chancel Choir and **People**

*In Christ there is no east or west, in Him no south or north;
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.
In Him shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord close binding humankind.*

All singing: (please stand)

**In Christ there is no east or west in Him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.**

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence
Associate Minister

*HYMN 718

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

HELMSLEY

*INVITATION, CONFESSION, & PARDON

Rev. Lawrence 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.

Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Let us pray together:

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

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.

*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**

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

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

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES AND PASTORAL PRAYER

The Rev. Charles Robinson
Minister of Nurture

OFFERTORY

Give Us This Day

The Chancel Choir
Tony Thompson, Tenor

*Give us this day our daily bread.
You said you would supply all our needs according to your wishes.
I have but to ask and I shall receive;
to go from here and help someone who's lost and help them find their way —
the way to truth and faith so they can be free like me.
Lord, we need your peace. Lord, we need your power. Lord, we need your joy today.*

***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

The Rev. Kaylen Short
Senior Minister

*Children are invited to return to seats after Children's Moment.
No Wonders of Worship today as we celebrate Communion together.*

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Robinson

**God of victory,
your Son revealed himself again and again,
and convinced his followers of his glorious resurrection.
Grant that we may know his risen presence,
and care for all his flock,
until we join the hosts of heaven in worshiping you and praising him. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 17:20-26

Rev. Robinson

²⁰ "I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵ "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them and I in them."

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

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.**

...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.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine.

...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.**

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

**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 for-
 give 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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

Gluten-free elements are available upon request at the chancel.

You are invited to contribute to the Benevolence Fund by leaving an offering
 on the chancel rail. These funds are used to assist those in need.

Communion Music: *Largo* from *Concerto in d* by J. S. Bach

*HYMN 340

Come, Ye Sinners Poor and Needy

RESTORATION

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Short

*CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
 Peter J. Lutkin

The Chancel Choir

*The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord lift his countenance upon you and give peace.
 The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. Amen.*

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Van Askew
Nancy Byers
Karen Davis

Martha Hale
Tangie Hubbard
Jerry Light

Bettina McDowell
Ron McDowell
Ingrid Shields

Brenda Tierman
Paul Wiley

Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with
Raymond and Robertine Mitchely upon the death of Raymond's son, Brian Mitchely, on May 23.

Vacation Bible School
Road Trip
June 2-6

Summer Lunch
Program Begins
June 3

Hymns & Gospel
Songs Concert
June 22

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Fridays, Saturdays 7 PM; Thursdays, 7:30 AM
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