

The Worship of God

Fayetteville First United Methodist Church
4th Sunday After Pentecost | 11:00 AM | July 6, 2025

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

America, the Beautiful
Anna Laura Page

Marty Alexander
Guest Organist

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Charles Robinson
Minister of Nurture

*HYMN 698

God of the Ages

NATIONAL HYMN

*INVITATION, CONFESSION, & PARDON

Rev. Robinson 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. Robinson 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. Drew West
Minister to Families and Children

OFFERTORY

Statue of Liberty
Niel Enloe, arr. Tom Keene

Brian Lindsey, Tenor

*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

Rev. West

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 beginnings,
you make all things new.
Make us stewards of your transforming power
and heralds of your peace,
so that all may share in the healing you bring. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Kings 5:1-14

Rev. Robinson

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. ² Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease." ⁴ So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. ⁵ And the king of Aram said, "Go, then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. ⁶ He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his skin disease." ⁷ When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean?'" ¹⁴ So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

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: *There Is a Fountain*, arr. Mark Hayes

*HYMN 419

I Am Thine, O Lord

I AM THINE

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Short

*POSTLUDE

Fanfare on NATIONAL HYMN
Craig A. Penfield

Mr. Alexander

*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
Dick Webb
Paul Wiley

Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with

Dr. George and Julie McKelvy upon the death of George's brother, Raymund Warren McKelvy, on June 24.
Shirley Bowman upon the death of her sister, Ann Blevins, on June 26.
Barb Combs upon the death of her brother, David Druckenmiller, on June 29.

Upcoming Missions
Blood Drive July 13
Rise Against Hunger Aug. 17
Great Day of Service Sept. 20

Let's Do Lunch
Speaker: Diana Cowan
August 9, Noon
Reserve by July 26

The Enneagram
as Spiritual Practice
Saturday, August 23
10 AM - 4 PM

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

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