



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Pentecost Sunday, May 31, 2020
Fayetteville First UMC

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Martin and **People**

This is the day that the Lord has made,
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

***HYMN 540**

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

ST. THOMAS

*I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode,
the church our blest Redemmer saved with his own precious blood.*

*I love thy church, O God! Her walls before thee stand
dear as the apple of thine eye, and graven on thy hand.*

*For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers ascend,
to her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.*

*Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways,
her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.*

*Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be given
the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heaven.*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

Dr. Martin and **People**

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*

***GLORIA PATRI**

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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**

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:

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

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Dr. Martin

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.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

We Are Your Church, O Christ

Williams, Martin

*We are Your church, O Christ, You are the sure foundation.
We are Your church, O Christ, drawn to Your wounded side.
We are Your chosen bride. We live in You alone
and in Your heart we find our home.
Grace is our miracle. We are Your church, O Christ.*

*We are Your church, O Christ from every nation.
We are Your church, O Christ. You are the truth and life.
God’s perfect sacrifice. We trust in You alone
and in Your heart we find our home.
Grace is our miracle. We are your church, O Christ.*

*You are the Cornerstone. You are the Living Word,
We trust in You alone.
Lord, You are faithful, our wondrous Savior.
Your name is holy and worthy of our praise.*

*We are Your church, O Christ, one holy congregation.
We are your church, O Christ, united in our praise!
We are one in Your embrace. We live in You alone
and in Your heart we find our home.
Grace is our miracle. We are Your church, O Christ.*

***DOXOLOGY**

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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

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Our church is ... Alive!

Dr. Martin

***HYMN 544**

Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song

BRIDEGROOM

*Like the murmur of the dove’s song, like the challenge of her flight,
like the vigor of the wind’s rush, like the new flame’s eager might:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

*To the members of Christ’s body, to the branches of the Vine,
to the church in faith assembled, to her midst as gift and sign:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

*With the healing of division, with the ceaseless voice of prayer,
with the power to love and witness, with the peace beyond compare:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

***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

Prelude in a "Classic Style"
Mr. Rick Massengale, organ

George Young

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Billy Arnold

Van Askew

Carolyn Broady

Ken Broady

Annelle Burch

Quentin Cash

Richard Clayton

Suzan Cole

Howard Dunham

Margaret Grainger

Martha Hale

Doris Kerlin

Lurlene Perry

Martha Segars

Mabel Wilbanks

Brad Wilkinson

Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with

Carole Hyder upon the death of her brother, Robert Gaston, on May 3.



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