

FAIRVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Ascension and Choir Sunday

June 1, 2025

11:00 A.M.

*Please rise as you are able or in your hearts.

**Let us take this time to quiet our hearts and minds and prepare for worship.

PRELUDE "Meditation on Hyfrydol" (Sondra Tucker) --- Chancel Bells

WELCOME AND WORDS OF COMMUNITY

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Clap your hands. Sing for joy!

People: God's glory is all around.

Leader: Rejoice and praise. Worship and pray.

People: God's glory is in each of us.

ALL: AMEN.

***GATHERING HYMN**

"When in Our Music God is Glorified" UMH # 68

stanza 1: All, stanza 2: Ladies, stanza 3: Choir, stanza 4: Men, stanza 5: All

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** "A Creed for Ascension Sunday"

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power, wealth, wisdom, and might, honor, and glory, and blessing! He was revealed in the flesh, declared righteous by the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed in throughout the world, and taken up in glory. In his own time, He will come again. All praise to our Sovereign God, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, dwelling in unapproachable light, unseen by human eyes. To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and power, forever and ever. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** "Glory Be to the Father" UMH # 70

CHOIR ANTHEM "Then He Said Sing" William Gaither/ Ken Barker

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

PRAYER CHORUS "Cares Chorus" TFWS # 2215

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: From the demons that haunt our lives, deliver us.
From the self-judgment and shame that dim the light within us, save us.
From the hurts and sorrows that harm us, heal us.
Cover us with your comfort, grace, and love, that we may shine with
your glory and grace. Amen.

PRAYERS OF PETITION

After each petition, we enter into the prayer together with these words:
Pastor: Lord in Your mercy,
People: Hear our Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" UMH # 173

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 24:44-53

SERMON

Unqualified (and Chosen Anyway)

OFFERTERY

"Meditation on 'Tis So Sweet" Mark Davis

***DOXOLOGY**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH # 94

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING Hymnal 20-22 (Musical Setting C)

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO RECEIVE COMMUNION.

YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A MEMBER OF THIS OR ANY CHURCH.

CHORAL BENEDICTION "A Blessing of Music" Joseph Martin

POSTLUDE "Christ Ascends!" Todd Kendall

A THANK YOU TO OUR CHOIR

On this last Sunday of the choir program year, we thank all of our church musicians for giving the gift of music for each of our Sunday services.

CHANCEL CHOIR-MEMBERS:

Barbara Buttram	Duke Lunsford *	Barbara Rowlands	*Denotes Chancel Bells Member
Judy Gebhart	Terry Lunsford *	Sherri Sutter*	
Amanda Grear *	Jan Mains *	James Washington	Choir Director
Jerry Gribler *	Judith Mathes *	Dave Wyss *	Michelle Forshaw
Pam Hounshell *	Art Mehaffey *	Mary Beth Wyss*	
	Janet Michael *	Greg Zuber	Accompanist/Organist
	Fred Poland		Michele Delduca

ACTIVITIES June 2 – June 8

Monday, June 2

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

Wednesday, June 4

Renewal Hour 3:30 P.M.

Pantry 6:00 P.M.

Friday, June 6

Pantry 9:00 A.M.

Sunday, June 8

Adult Sunday School 9:45 A.M.

Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

TODAY'S SERVANT LEADERS

Worship Leader

Art Mehaffey

Greeter

Shirley McBride

Trustee

Jan Mains

Child Care Assistant

Kathy Schaefer

VAN DRIVER FOR JUNE 8

Van Request: John -- 937 - 277-6387

To ride the van, you must make your request the day before or you will not be picked up!

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

[Psalm 97](#), [Acts 16:16-34](#), [Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21](#), [John 17:20-26](#)

Church Staff

Pastor

Rev. E. Neil Gaiser, OSL

Administrative Assistant

Carol McDougale

Director of Music

Michelle Forshaw

Church Musician

Michele Delduca

Treasurer

Fred Poland

Pantry Resource

Coordinator

Donna McCoy

Audio Visual Technician

Roger Christian

PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer ministry after worship each Sunday. For those who have special prayer requests, please see someone from the Prayer Ministry in the Narthex.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

The head ushers for the church usher every 3 months. Due to health problems, Marla Reynolds will be giving up her position as one of the head ushers, and we need a replacement. The job is not difficult and easy to learn, and it would be a nice service to the church. Interested? Contact Sam Kurtz at sandskurtz@gmail.com or 937-681-6278. Thank you.

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