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*If you have an announcement or prayer request, please email it to zionlexpk@gmail.com by Wednesday.



"Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

Sunday, June 8th, 2025

Rev. Dr. Andreá Cummings, Pastor Rev. Dr. Johnsie Cogman, District Superintendent LaTrelle Miller Easterling, Presiding Bishop



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Day of Pentecost *Please stand as you are able in body or spirit

Prelude~ "I Will Sing Hallelujah"

Welcome~ Rev. Dr. Andreá Cummings

*Opening Hymn~ "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" - #334 UMH

Opening Prayer

*Offering

Doxology~ "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"~#650 AAHH

Prayer of Illumination: O God, the Holy Spirit, come on us, and among us, come as the wind, and cleanse us; come as the fire, and burn; come as the dew, and refresh; convict, convert, and consecrate many hearts and lives to the great good and to they greater glory; and this we ask for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen. (#335 UMH)

*The Scripture Readings

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21: When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All 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 people under heaven living in Jerusalem.

Ready to Join?

Please complete the form and hand it to an usher. Pastor Cummings will reach out to you to arrange a time to discuss the membership vows and the date for you to join.

What are our membership vows?

Vows are taken when a person joins a United Methodist Church as a baptized or professing member. By taking the baptismal and local church membership vows, the individual agrees to covenant with God and the local church members to keep the vows that are part of living the baptismal covenant and reception into membership in the local church.

These vows have four parts: (1) to confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior; (2) to believe in the Christian faith as contained in the Old and New Testaments; (3) to support The United Methodist Church; and (4) to uphold the local congregation with one's prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

Name(s)		
Address		
Phone/Email		

Mark your Calendar

Summer Cleaning: Join us to clean the church and enhance its exterior appearance. We will volunteer to pull weeds, pick up, and lay down new mulch. Lunch will be provided. We will begin cleaning at 8:00 a.m. and finish at 1:00 p.m. on June 28th.

Homecoming Committee: If you would like to join the Homecoming Committee, please contact the chair, Sis. Judy Butler.

Pastor Anniversary Committee: If you would like to help plan Pastor Cummings' 3rd Pastoral Anniversary, please contact Min. Kevin Harris.

Cleaning Committee: We are seeking volunteers to assist with cleaning the church. Please contact Sis. Kim Scriber for more information.

"From Legacy to Leadership: Answering the Call:" Ms. Gwendoline Bankins has been elected President of the Board of Trustees for Historic Sotterley, Inc.! Please consider underwriting this historic event by being a Host: Gold Host -\$300 -\$499; Patron levels: Regular -\$25-\$99& Silver - \$100-\$299. The deadline for Supporter Donations and Required RSVPs for the FREE event is Sunday, June 8, 2025. A list of donators will be distributed and can be indicated as "anonymous." Contact Dr. Francine Hawkins for more information: (301)904-6514 or drfrancinedovehawkins@gmail.com.

Flowers for the Sanctuary: Purchase flowers in honor of a loved one, anniversary, birthday, celebration, or other special occasion. Contact Sis. Janie, with any questions.

And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them. "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem. let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: '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. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

*Psalm Reading~ Psalter 826, 24-35

*Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17: For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs: heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Song of Preparation ~ "I'm Free"

*Gospel Reading~ John 14:8-17, 25-27: Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This 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. "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives.

Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

The Baptismal Covenant I ~ *Reaffirmation of faith and Reception into The United Methodist church~ pgs. 33-39 UMH*

Prayers of the People: Response - Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Confession/Pardon/Great Thanksgiving~pg. 8-10 (see insert for sung response)

Post Communion Prayer: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*Closing Hymn~ "God Be with You" #639 AAHH

*Benediction~ Dr. Cummings