

The Worship of God

Fayetteville First United Methodist Church
2nd SUNDAY After PENTECOST | 11:00 AM | June 2, 2024

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

There Is a Happy Land
Early American Tune, arr. George Shearing

Nicholas Bowden
Director of Music & Organist

INTROIT

Psalm 100
John Ness Beck

Chancel Choir

*Make a joyful noise unto the Lord all ye lands;
serve the Lord with gladness, come before His presence with singing,
enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise.*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Drew West
Assistant Minister of Families & Children

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 66

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

*INVITATION & CONFESSION

Rev. West 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.

*PARDON

Rev. West and People

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. West

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. Kaylen Short
Senior Minister

OFFERTORY

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus
BEACHSPRING, arr. Gilbert Martin

Chancel Choir

*O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me!
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of his love,
leading onward, leading homeward to that glorious rest above!*

*O the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread his praise from shore to shore;
He who loves us, ever loves us, changes never, nevermore!
He who died to save his loved ones, intercedes for them above;
He who called them his own people, watches over them in love.*

*O the deep, deep love of Jesus, love of every love the best;
vast the ocean of his blessing, sweet the haven of his rest!
O the deep, deep love of Jesus- for my heaven of heavens is he.
This my everlasting glory Jesus' mighty love for me!
Amen, amen, amen.*

*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. Short

*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. Short and People

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 2:23-3:6

Rev. Short

²³One sabbath he was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" ²⁵And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." ²⁷Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

¹Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²They watched

him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." ⁴Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Minutiae"

Rev. Short

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

...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. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, 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 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.

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.

*HYMN

Lead Me, Guide Me
Doris Akers

See insert

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Short

*CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
Peter J. Lutkin

Chancel Choir

*POSTLUDE

"Allegro Maestoso" from Water Music
George-Frederick Handel

Mr. Bowden

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Van Askew
Nancy Byers
Richard Clayton
Karen Davis

Robbie Gray
Martha Hale
Tangie Hubbard
Doris Kerlin

Jerry Light
Bettina McDowell
Ron McDowell
Ingrid Shields

Brenda Tierman
Paul Wiley

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