

The Worship of God

Fayetteville First United Methodist Church
10th SUNDAY After PENTECOST | 11:00 AM | JULY 28, 2024

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Sicilenne
Gabriel Faure'

Nicholas Bowden
Director of Music & Organist

INTROIT

Let Heavenly Music Fill This Place
Gordon Young

Summer Choir

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Drew West
Assistant Minister to Families and Children

*HYMN 731

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

AUSTRIA

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Rev. West 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

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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

INTRODUCTION TO BAPTISM

Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church.

We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

Today we present Anastasia Day Leonard for baptism.

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin? If so say, "I do."

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves? If so say, "I do."

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races? If so say, "I do."

According to the grace given to you, will you remain a faithful member of Christ's holy Church and serve as Christ's representative in the world? If so say, "I will."

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ? **We do.**

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this person before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround her with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her trust of God, and be found faithful in her service to others. We will pray for her, that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Let us pray.

... We pray this in the name of the risen Christ. **Amen.**

BAPTISM WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sibling in Christ!

Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as a member of the family of Christ.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

As members of Christ's universal Church, will you be loyal to Christ through The United Methodist Church, and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries? If so say, "I will."

As members of this congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness? If so say, "I will."

Members of the household of God,

I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence
Associate Minister

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:

"The peace of Christ be with you." **"And also with you."**

CONGREGATIONAL NOTES

The Rev. Kaylen Short
Senior Minister

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Short and **People**

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.

*HYMN 358

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

REST

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Short

OFFERTORY

Wings of the Dawn
Linda K. Spencer

Summer Choir
Dr. Judy Hames, Piano

*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.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Rev. West

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Short

Children ages 4 years through 2nd grade are invited to attend Wonders of Worship in Room B225.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Rev. Lawrence 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

Ephesians 3:14-21

Rev. Lawrence

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

Being rooted and established in God's love, our spirits are open to the Lord.
**May we, and all the Lord's holy people, have power to grasp
 how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ. Amen.**

*HYMN 127

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Lawrence

*CHORAL RESPONSE

May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep You Forever

Choir and **People**

EDELWEISS

**May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever;
 grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
 Lift up your eyes and see His face and His grace forever!
 May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.**

*POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Old 100th"
 Fred Bock

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

In Memoriam
 Wayne Hornbuckle
 July 21, 2024

Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with

Phoebe Hornbuckle and her former sister-in-law Phyllis Williamson and family upon the death of Phoebe's husband, Wayne Hornbuckle, on July 21.

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