



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 25, 2025 | 8:30AM & 11:00AM
✠please stand as you are able

PRELUDE (Medley) *Eternal Father, Strong to Save.* DYKES, WARD,
America the Beautiful. ARR. MARK HAYES

WELCOME & MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

CALL TO WORSHIP PSALM 4, PSALTER 741

✠ HYMN *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* UMH 57

BAPTISM 11:00AM — CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL JACKSON

✠ THE APOSTLES' CREED (8:30AM) UMH 881

✠ GLORIA PATRI

OFFERTORY *How Deep the Father's Love* ARR. LARSON

✠ DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (11AM)

Children 4 years old and up can meet at the side door for Children's Church. They are to be picked up immediately following the service in the Pier Room upstairs in the Education Building.

HYMN *Be Still, My Soul* UMH 534

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, by your Spirit reveal your radical, surprising love; come to us through your holy word, and let us hear what you are saying. **Amen.**

✠ SCRIPTURE *Luke 24:36-49*

SERMON *When We Are Fearful*

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Good and gracious God, we are creatures of dust who readily accept fear and anxiety as our lot in life, and visit our inner chaos on others. We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us. We beg your mercy for our fallen world. Forgive us and lead us to straighter paths. Amen.

In the name of God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, your plea for absolution has been heard. God's promises are sure: your sins are forgiven. Peace be with you.

Thanks be to God.

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

UMH 13

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ~ THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

✠ HYMN

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

UMH 420

✠ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

To God Be the Glory

DOANE

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

COMMUNION SERVERS:

8:30

Kim & John Estes

Steve Pearson

Kurt Simons

11:00

Donald Furlong

Gene Kirchoff

Steve Pearson

Carol Willis

PREACHER:

Rev. Michael Precht

LITURGIST:

Steve Pearson

GREETER:

Ruth Rogers

USHER:

Mark Woodrow

MUSIC

CHANCEL CHOIR
Director, Tom Hood

INSTRUMENTS

Accompanist,
Jackie Upton

MEDIA:

Hackett Robertson

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, MAY 25

8:30am Traditional Worship
9:45am Sunday School for all ages
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MONDAY, MAY 26

Memorial Day-
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TUESDAY, MAY 27

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Support

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FRIDAY, MAY 30

9am-12:00pm VBS Decorating
11am-1:00pm Community Café
1-3:00pm VBS Decorating

SUNDAY, JUNE 1ST

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5:00pm VBS Kick-Off Party

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

VBS Family Kick-off

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THE GATHERING

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER*

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Pastor: Rev. Laura Parker

Acolyte: Waverly Watkins

Communion Servers: Sidney Carol & Miles Barnhardt, Nadine & Barry Baskin, Mary & Noah Funderburg, Emily Garner, Katie Turner

Greeter: Katie Turner

Music: Shea White and Praise Band

Media and Sound: Karl Langley, Jamie Waldhour, Nellie Meyers

Usher: Charles Searce

**Our worship seasons allow us to re-experience the full life and ministry of Jesus every year. The "50 days of Easter," also known as Eastertide or the Easter season, is a period of celebration in the Christian liturgical year that begins on Easter Sunday and culminates with Pentecost. This season is a time to rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus Christ and anticipate the coming of the Holy Spirit.*

OPENING SONG *Battle Belongs*

WELCOME & MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

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SINGING OUR PRAISE

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Firm Foundation

Oceans

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THANKSGIVING

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SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP[†]

CLOSING SONG

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS- MILES AND SIDNEY CAROL BARNHARDT

BENEDICTION

[†]You do not have to be a member of this church, or of any, to receive from Christ's table. We welcome all who desire to meet Christ in this meal where He has promised to meet us.

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