

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
 May 10, 2026
Sixth Sunday of Easter/ Mothers Day

WELCOME AND GREETING

Alleluia, Christ is Risen
Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

Wesley Ensemble

INTROIT

Choir

****CALL TO WORSHIP**

Lord, you are our Good Shepherd,
 Providing food, drink, and shelter.

You restore our souls; you sustain our life.

Lord, you are the Gracious Host,
 Who welcomes friends and enemies, alike, at your table.

Your abundance overflows;

With you there is always more than enough.

Like sheep who know the sound of their Shepherds voice,

Like children who hear their Mother calling,

We come to worship you, our life-giving God!

****HYMN OF PRAISE** "Wash O God our Sons and Daughters" UMH 605

****OPENING PRAYER**

Agna Jallah

Almighty God, you came that we might have life and have it abundantly. Your all-encompassing vision of shalom includes wholeness of heart, mind, body, and soul—for every person, for all people together, and for all creation. Just as you lead us into lives of health and wholeness, teach us to advocate for and extend your ministries of health to all people. Bring us more fully alive as we worship you today, through our Risen Lord Jesus, we pray. Amen.

BAPTISM

Wells Morgan Budzinski

UMH 34

"God Claims You"

TFWS 2249

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

PROCLAMATION

****SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 23

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
 People: **Thanks be to God.**

****Gloria Patri**

**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.**

SERMON

"He Restores My Soul"

Rev. Wil Posey

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Moments of silent prayer & personal confession.

Ann Smith

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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, the power, and the glory,
 forever and ever. Amen.**

RECEIVING OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Ways you can give

Leave a gift in the Offering Plate

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Mail: PO Box 86, Murphy, NC 28906

Wesley Ensemble



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****DOXOLOGY**

**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.**

****PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Ann Smith

****HYMN**

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

UMH 136

SENDING FORTH

****BENEDICTION**

Rev. Wil Posey

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"Here Am I, Send Me"

Here am I, send me, Here Am I Lord Send Me.
 Unto thee willingly yielded I come. Show the path that I must walk
 Compel me then to go, and if I stray bring back the light of day,
 For here am I, send me I pray.

Chiming of the Trinity

POSTLUDE

RESPONSE The light goes before us into the world.

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS: The Faith We Sing

**** Rise in body or spirit**

**Our Service of Worship has ended
 Our Worship through Service begins
 All are welcomed to Worship.**

Please assist us by registering your attendance in the App or notebooks located in the pews. If you didn't receive the text or email when we cancelled church, please be sure we have your correct phone number and email address.

Please be aware that we are live streaming and recording this service and will be posting it to social media.

PRAYERS and CONCERNS

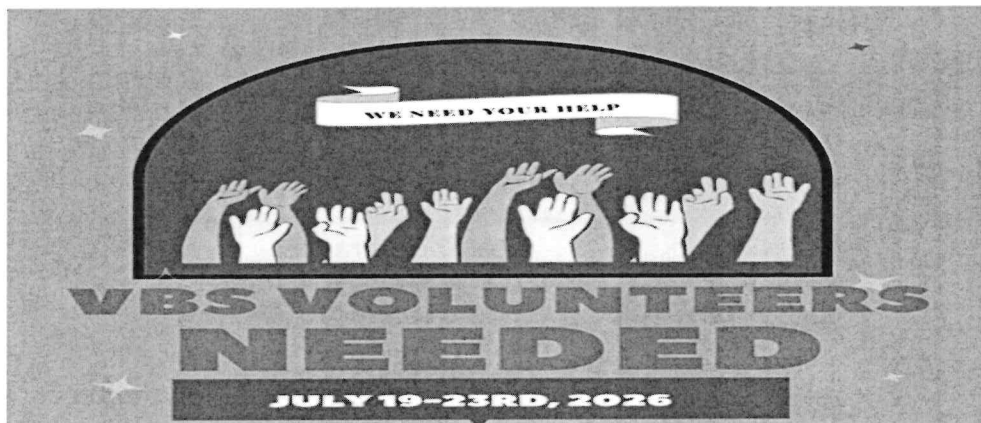
Ukraine and its people; Bill and Barbara Hughes; Carl Auvil; Teresa; Lori; Emma; Alice & Ron Lewis; Cindy; Carolyn; Carl & Christy Osborn; Joe Hartman; Michee Leone; Earl Riggs; Cissy Dyer; Marion Forsyth; Rex Odom; Rosemary Vicknair; Gary Hall; Susan Lee; Bob Parker; Eric Brant; Keisha Licata; Grant Corrigan; Members of the Armed Forces; Karen Forker; Karen Crowe; Matt Heltzel; Natalia Donley-Telmosse; Harold Blackmon, Jill Beck, Sarah Baldrige; Ginny Pearcy; Karlee Teague.

PRAYER TEAM: Email: prayfumc@gmail.com

In an effort to have room for all prayer requests we will rotate off the names every 3 weeks unless indicated, either by a notation on the blue prayer request card or by calling the church office. 828-837-2718 or email: admin@murphyfirstumc.org, Prayer Requests can be submitted on our Facebook page, YouTube live stream or by calling the church office.

May 18, 5:30pm special called Charge Conference to approve the sale of a designated parcel of land owned by FUMC Murphy and to authorize Trustees to serve as agents of the sale.

NEW MEMBER—If you are interested in joining our church please contact Pastor Wil this week at: Pastor@murphyfirstumc.org text 386-647-6181



Are You interested in having a great time and blessing Murphy's Children this Summer? We need you for Vacation Bible School! Reach out to Bridget Killian 828-541-1222 or Ann Smith annsmith828@gmail.com for more information.

Parents of Young Children

During Worship (11am)*
 Nursery (2 rooms) - Birth-2, and 3-5 year olds
 Worship readiness—K-5th Grade
 No Worship Readiness on Communion Sundays. Kids stay in church.



*Nursery is open from 9:45am-12pm, though children are welcome in worship and will then be released after Children's Time to return to their nursery or Worship Readiness or remain in the Sanctuary

605 Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

1. Wash, O God, our sons and daugh- ters, where your cleans- ing
 2. We who bring them long for nur- ture; by your milk may
 3. O how deep your ho- ly wis- dom! Un- im - ag- ined,

wa- ters flow. Num- ber them a- mong your peo- ple;
 we be fed. Let us join your feast, par- tak- ing
 all your ways! To your name be glo- ry, hon- or!

bless as Christ blessed long a- go. Weave them gar- ments bright and
 cup of bless- ing, liv- ing bread. God, re- new us, guide our
 With our lives we wor-ship, praise! We your peo- ple stand be-

spark- ling; com- pass them with love and light. Fill, a- noint them;
 foot- steps; free from sin and all its snares, one with Christ in
 fore you, wa- ter- washed and Spir- it - born. By your grace, our

send your Spir- it, ho- ly dove and heart's de- light.
 liv- ing, dy- ing, by your Spir- it, chil- dren, heirs.
 lives we of- fer. Re- cre - ate us; God, trans - form!

WORDS: Ruth Duck, 1987 (Jn. 3:3-8)
 MUSIC: Attr. to B. F. White, 1844; harm. by Ronald A. Nelson, 1978

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God Claims You

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*Refrain**

***"Dan - iel, Dan - iel," God claims you, God helps you, pro -
 Child of prom - ise, *Fine*

fects you, and loves you, too. 1. We this day do
 ***2. We your fam - ily
 3. We are here to
 4. And if you should

D.C.

all a - gree a child of God you'll al - ways be.
 love you so, we vow to help your faith to grow.
 say this day that we will help you on your way.
 tire or cry then we will sing this lul - la - by.

*Sing Refrain twice at beginning and end, and once between stanzas.
 **May insert child's name.
 ***May insert parents' names "Jeff and Kathy love you so, we vow ..."

WORDS: Stanley M. Farr
 MUSIC: Stanley M. Farr
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FARR
 Irregular with Refrain

136 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

1. The Lord's my shep- herd, I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
 2. My soul he doth re - store a - gain, and me to walk doth make
 3. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
 4. My ta - ble thou hast fur- nish - ed in pres- ence of my foes;
 5. Good-ness and mer - cy all my life shall sure - ly fol - low me;

in pas- tures green; he lead - eth me the qui - et wa- ters by.
 with - in the paths of righ- teous- ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
 for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me com- fort still.
 my head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver- flows.
 and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell- ing place shall be.

WORDS: Scottish Psalter, 1650 (Ps. 23)
 MUSIC: Jesse Seymour Irvine, 1872; harm. by TCL. Pritchard, 1929
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Sermon Notes

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT I

HOLY BAPTISM
 CONFIRMATION
 REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH
 RECEPTION INTO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 RECEPTION INTO A LOCAL CONGREGATION

This service may be used for any of the above acts, or any combination of these that may be called for on a given occasion.

INTRODUCTION TO THE SERVICE

As persons are coming forward, an appropriate hymn of baptism or confirmation may be sung.

1 *The pastor makes the following statement to the congregation:*

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.

2 *If there are confirmations or reaffirmations, the pastor continues:*

Through confirmation,
 and through the reaffirmation of our faith,
 we renew the covenant declared at our baptism,
 acknowledge what God is doing for us,
 and affirm our commitment to Christ's holy church.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

3 *A representative of the congregation presents the candidates with the appropriate statements:*

I present *Name(s)* for baptism.
 I present *Name(s)* for confirmation.
 I present *Name(s)* to reaffirm *their* faith.
 I present *Name(s)* who come(s) to this congregation from the
 _____ Church.

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

4 *The pastor addresses parents or other sponsors and those candidates who can answer for themselves:*

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?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you
 to resist evil, injustice, and oppression
 in whatever forms they present themselves?

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?

I do.

5 *The pastor addresses parents or other sponsors of candidates not able to answer for themselves:*

Will you nurture *these children (persons)*
 in Christ's holy church,
 that by your teaching and example they may be guided
 to accept God's grace for themselves,
 to profess their faith openly,
 and to lead a Christian life?

I will.

6 *The pastor addresses candidates who can answer for themselves:*

According to the grace given to you,
 will you remain *faithful members* of Christ's holy church
 and serve as Christ's *representatives* in the world?

I will.

7 *If those who have answered for themselves have sponsors, the pastor addresses the sponsors:*

Will you who sponsor *these candidates*
 support and encourage *them* in *their* Christian life?

I will.

8 *The pastor addresses the congregation:*

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 *these persons* now 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 *these persons*
 with a community of love and forgiveness,
 that *they* may grow in *their* trust of God,
 and be found faithful in *their* service to others.**

**We will pray for *them*,
 that *they* may be true disciples
 who walk in the way that leads to life.**

9 *The pastor addresses all:*

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith
 as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe 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, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and will come again to judge the living and the dead.]**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**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.]**

*universal

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

10 *If there are baptisms, or if water is to be used for reaffirmation, the water may be poured into the font at this time, and the following prayer offered:*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Eternal Father:

When nothing existed but chaos,
you swept across the dark waters
and brought forth light.

In the days of Noah

you saved those on the ark through water.

After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow.

When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt,
you led them to freedom through the sea.

Their children you brought through the Jordan
to the land which you promised.

***Sing to the Lord, all the earth.**

Tell of God's mercy each day.

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus,
nurtured in the water of a womb.

He was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit.

He called his disciples

to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection

and to make disciples of all nations.

***Declare his works to the nations,
his glory among all the people.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit,

to bless this gift of water and *those* who receive it,

to wash away *their* sin

and clothe *them* in righteousness

throughout *their* lives,

that, dying and being raised with Christ,

they may share in his final victory.

***All praise to you, Eternal Father,
through your Son Jesus Christ,
who with you and the Holy Spirit
lives and reigns for ever.**

Amen.

**One of the musical settings on pages 53-54 may be used if desired.*

BAPTISM WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

11 *As each candidate is baptized, the pastor says:*

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

The people respond:

Amen.

*Immediately after the administration of the water, the pastor, and others if desired,
place hands on the head of each candidate, as the pastor says to each:*

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

The people respond:

Amen.

When all candidates have been baptized, the pastor invites the congregation to welcome them:

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sisters and brothers 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 members of the family of Christ.

CONFIRMATION OR REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH

12 *Here water may be used symbolically in ways that cannot be interpreted as baptism, as the pastor says:*

Remember your baptism and be thankful.

Amen.

As the pastor, and others if desired, place hands on the head of each person being confirmed or reaffirming faith, the pastor says to each:

Name, the Holy Spirit work within you,
that having been born through water and the Spirit,
you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ.

All respond:

Amen.

13 *When there is a congregational reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant, water may be used symbolically in ways that cannot be interpreted as baptism, as the pastor says:*

Remember your baptism and be thankful.

Amen.

RECEPTION INTO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

14 *If there are persons coming into membership in The United Methodist Church from other denominations who have not yet been presented, they may be presented at this time.*

The pastor addresses all those transferring their membership into The United Methodist Church, together with those who, through baptism or in confirmation, have just professed their own faith:

As members of Christ's universal church,
will you be loyal to The United Methodist Church,
and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

I will.

RECEPTION INTO THE LOCAL CONGREGATION

15 *If there are persons joining this congregation from other United Methodist congregations who have not yet been presented, they may be presented at this time.*

The pastor addresses all those transferring membership into the congregation and those who have just professed their own faith, in baptism or in confirmation:

As members of this congregation,
will you faithfully participate in its ministries
by your prayers, your presence,
your gifts, and your service?

I will.

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

16 *The pastor addresses the congregation:*

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.

The congregation responds:

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

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, and our service,

that in everything God may be glorified

through Jesus Christ.

Next Week: May 17, 2026
Ascension Sunday

This Week's Ministry Opportunities

Sunday, May 10 Mother's Day
Sunday School 9:45 am
Worship Service 11:00 am

Monday, May 11
Preschool 8:00 am
Yoga 10:30 am
Chair Exercise class 11:30 am

Tuesday May 12
Trustees @ Harshaw Chapel 5:30 pm

Wednesday, May 13
Preschool 8:00 am
Worship Staff Meeting 10:00 am
Chair Exercise class 11:30 am
Wednesday Bible Study 1:00 pm
Choir 5:30 pm

Thursday, May 14
Lawn Crew at Harshaw 8:00 am
Mom's Spiritual Formation 9:30 am
Quilters 10:00 am
Soul Table 11:30 am

Friday, May 15
Preschool 8:00 am
Chair Exercise class 11:30 am

Saturday, May 16
Al Anon 10:00 am

Sunday, May 17
Sunday School 9:45 am
Worship Service 11:00 am
Potluck Lunch 12:15 pm
Kickball at Konehete Park 3:00 pm

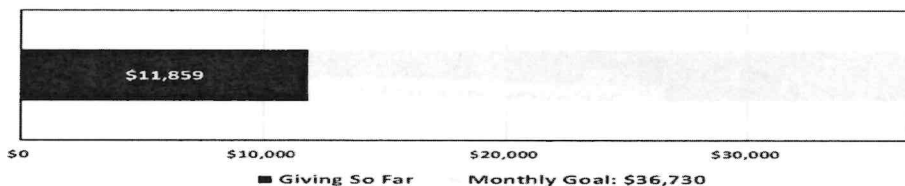
Our calendar can also be accessed from the App.

Potluck Luncheon
NEXT Sunday, after worship
Please plan to attend and bring a dish to share.
Willing Hands, Women in Faith group will be our hosts.

OUR FAITHFULNESS 2026

Worship attendance May 3 216
Received May 3 \$ 11,859
Detailed Financial information is available at the church office upon request.

Monthly Giving Report May 2026



A Short Prayer
God's eyes watch over me.
God's ears hear me.
God's hands protect me.
God's grace sustains me.
God's presence fills me.
God I love You!

KICKBALL AT KONEHETE PARK

MAY 17

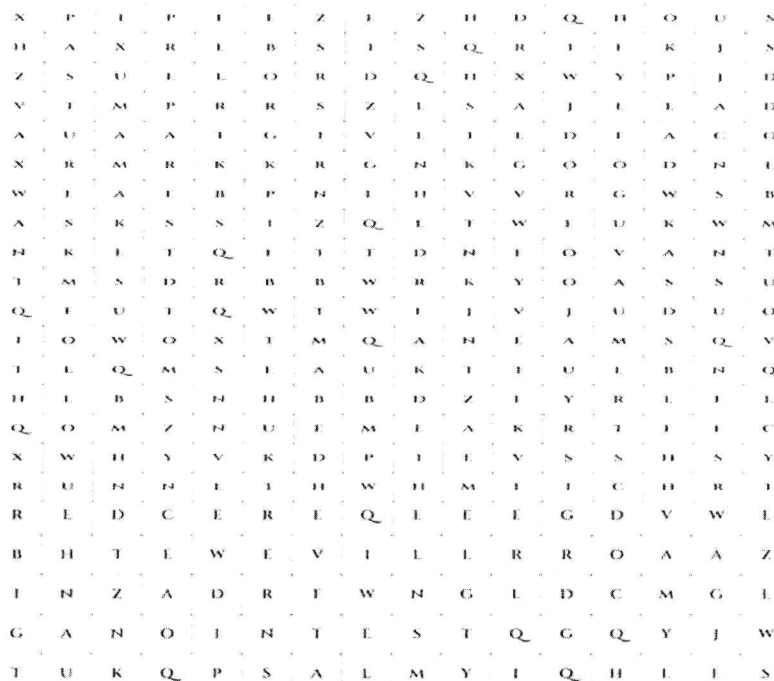
3-5 PM

JOIN US FOR THIS FUN AND INTERGENERATIONAL CHILDREN'S MINISTRY EVENT!

ICE CREAM AND LOTS OF LAUGHS PROVIDED FOR THOSE WHO WOULD RATHER WATCH THAN PLAY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KENDRA FOKAKIS 601-466-3089 OR PASTOR WIL KONEHETE PARK FIELD # 699 CONNAHETTA ST. MURPHY NC

"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures"



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— WORDS TO FIND —

LORD	SHEPHERD	GREEN	PASTURES
RESTORE	SHADOW	GOODNESS	WANT
LEADETH	WATERS	PREPAREST	ANOINTEST
ASSURANCE	RUNNETH	MAKES	RIGHTOUSNESS
EVIL	TABLE	MERCY	FOLLOW
DWELL	HOUSE	DAVID	COMFORT
VALLY	PSALM	TWENTYTHREE	

TRUSTEE ON CALL

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Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Monday and Friday Closed

**First United Methodist Church
Murphy, NC**



Our Mission is to:
Live as a community transformed by God's grace, sent to love and serve like Jesus.

Our Vision is to:
Build communities of hope where all people experience belonging and abundant life.

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