

Fifth Sunday of Easter
Service of Word and Table
May 3, 2026 at 11:00am

GATHERING IN PRAISE

The Chiming of the Worship Hour

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

“Come Thou Fount”

arr. Topolski

The Lighting of the Candles

The Introit

“Come Let Us Sing to the Lord”

Horman

The Opening Prayer

****The Hymn of Praise***

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

No. 117 (vv. 1, 2, 3, 6)

The Children’s Moments

The Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory

“Remember Me”

Pethel

****The Doxology***

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

****The Prayer for Illumination***

see insert

****The Scripture Lesson***

Genesis 15:1-18

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Sermon

“The Lord’s Supper: The New and Everlasting Covenant”

RESPONDING IN FAITH

****The Hymn of Response***

“Fill My Cup, Lord”

No. 641 (twice)

The Invitation to Holy Communion

No. 12

The Confession, Pardon, and Peace

No. 12

The Great Thanksgiving

No. 13

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

The Breaking of the Bread

The Giving of the Bread and Cup

SENDING FORTH

****The Hymn of Invitation***

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

No. 618 (vv. 1, 2)

****The Benediction***

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

****The Choral Benediction***

“Go in Peace”

Hopson

****Postlude***

“Higher Ground”

arr. Cook

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communion Offering – The Communion offering this month will benefit Methodist Senior Services. This organization provides comfortable and affordable housing and other services for older adults. Make checks out to First United Methodist Church and earmark them Methodist Senior Services.

Senior Sunday - Please join us as we honor our graduating senior, Caston McKellar, with a church-wide luncheon in the Fellowship Hall following worship on May 17. A sign-up sheet for needed food items is located on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Thanks to Barbara Bryan and LaDonna Helveston for decorating for this event. Congratulations, Caston!

Miracle Sunday - The United Methodist Church is working to establish an endowment to support seminary training for pastors in Europe, Africa, and the Philippines. We'll take up an offering for that work on May 17.

Annual Rummage Sale - We are now accepting donations for our annual rummage sale which is scheduled for Saturday, August 8, in the Fellowship Hall. If you have items you would like to donate, please call the church office to arrange a time for drop-off. Please do not bring clothing or shoes.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Meetings will be held in the church library

- May 4 at 4:30pm** – Student Ministries Team
- May 5 at 6:00pm** – Personnel and Nominations
- May 18 at 4:30pm** – CDC Board
- May 26 at 6:00pm** – Leadership Council

MID-WEEK ACTIVITIES

Tuesday

5:00pm Revive Study Group

Wednesday

12:00pm Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
5:30pm Wednesday Night Meal – All Ages Welcome (FH)
6:00pm Small Groups
(Lighthouse Kids, Youth Fellowship, Adults)

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***Rev. Chad Bowen, Pastor
Rachel Wood, Music Ministries
Stacy Hays, Family Ministries
Kindal Gammill, Pianist***