

Announcements

Today's Sermon can be found www.firsthagerstown.org

Greeter's Needed: Please sign for a whole month or certain Sundays. Sheet is on the bulletin board across the Church Office along with the Flower Chart.

Sunday, May 16 6:00 p.m. Life Group at Bob & Lisa Warner's, 6546 Baker Rd.
Bring your snack for all.

Monday, May 17 6:30 p.m. Leadership Table

Wednesday, May 19 9:30 a.m. Morning Glories Circle

6:30 p.m. Worship Team in Sanctuary

Thursday, May 20 Noon DAR in Fellowship Hall

Volunteers needed
for preparing the
parsonage for the
Eckert family!
See Chris Lane for
more informaton!



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Prayer Notes May 16, 2021

- Prayers for Peggy Bullock who is now at Arbor Trace.
- Continued prayers for those who continue to grieve their loved ones.
- Prayers for the upcoming changes in UMC congregations as Pastor John & family move and for the appointment of Nate Eckert & family coming here.
- Prayers for families through hard times needing assistance of food, shelter, jobs.
- Prayers for church families going through other crisis and heart aches.
- Prayers for service men & women as they serve our country plus their loved ones here.
- Prayers for the leadership of our country & world.
- Prayers for those serving in Corrections/Security/Law Enforcement, Fire/Rescue & EMT's.
- Prayers for members in Nursing Homes/hospitals.
- Prayers for our members & friends: Bertha Davis, Don Myers, Marilyn Scott, Priscilla Sherry, Ginny Ozbun, Jo Johnson, Chris & Barb Beeson, Judy Hilbert Haisley, Bob & Dixie Fast, Matt Cowan, Tom Jonas, Ella Tiedeman, Sarah Geise, brother Jackson & Sister Allie, Doug Peelle, Susan Sanders, Janet Cole, Peggy Bullock, Dawn Lowery, Mark Wise

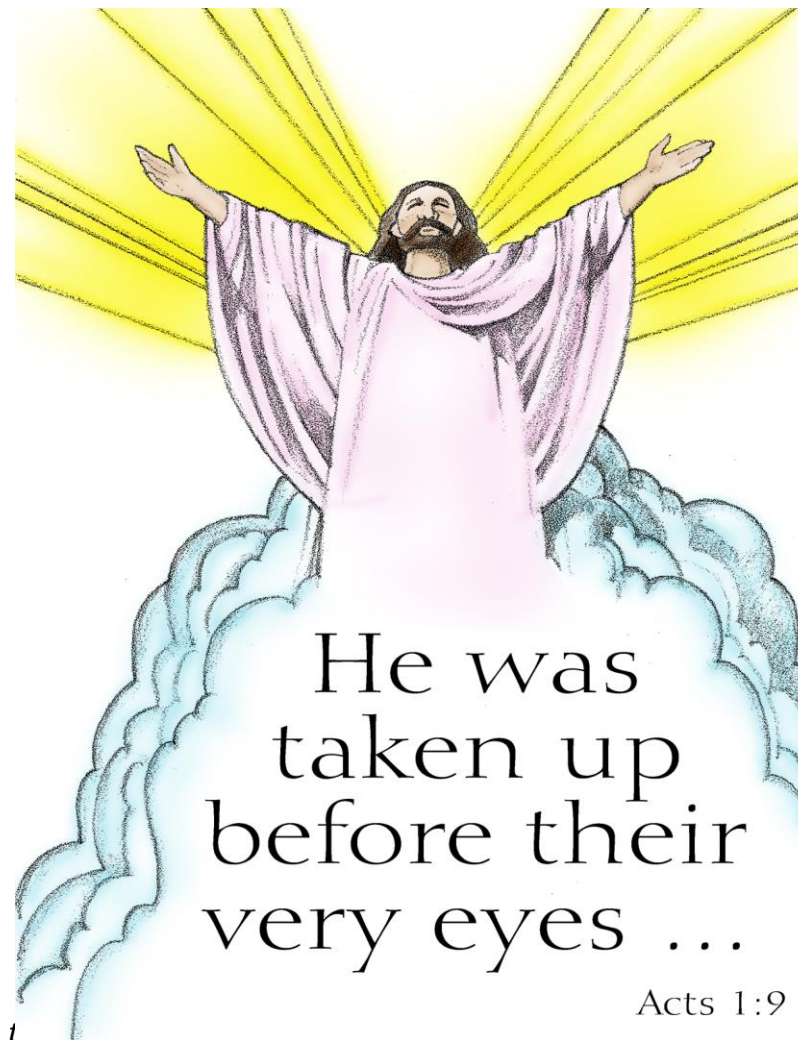
First United Methodist Church

Pastor John Huff

May 16, 2021

CHURCH MISSION

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Service 10:15 a.m.

*(Congregation stands as able)

GATHERING FOR GOD

Prelude *Awakening Chorus* Pianist
Welcome and Greeting Pastor
K.I.D.S. Dismiss (Kids In Divine Service) Upstairs in the Children's Wing (3rd Graders & under)
Children may go with Teacher Stacy Herr.

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WORSHIP: OUR GIFT TO GOD

*Call to Worship

L: Jesus promised to be with us always

P: Lord, we are thankful for that promise.

L: In all times, this promise gives us hope.

P: Lord, we rejoice in the hope you give us.

L: Come and celebrate the eternal promises of Christ.

**P: Lord, we are so grateful that you have given to us so much
and that you promise God's presence with us always. AMEN.**

*Hymn of Praise *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

*Opening Prayer Pastor

Lord of amazing visions, prepare our hearts and our spirits this day to receive your glad tidings of an Advocate. Help make us ready to be your disciples in all that we do, say, and think. For we ask this in the name of our beloved Savior Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Hymn of Worship *Lord I Lift Your Name on High*

LISTENING FOR GOD

Pastoral Prayer Dear Lord, we are so fortunate to be gathered here this morning to hear the good news of the promised Spirit of Truth. We celebrate that we are a community of people, each at a different point on his or her faith journey, each seeking your healing love and mercy. We are called to witness to the good news of Jesus who taught us about God's love for each one of us and for God's magnificent creation. But there are those for whom this word seems a distant hope or experience. They struggle with the difficulties of everyday living, with addictions, with illness, with alienation. Help us to bring the good news to them in gentle kindness and compassionate understanding. Let our actions and attitudes reflect all that Jesus taught us. For just a moment we take a deep breath and remember those we love who are in difficulty.

(Silent prayer)

You have heard the cries of our hearts, O Lord. We ask for your healing mercies on all whom we have mentioned by voice and by prayer. We also ask for your healing in our own lives. Keep our hearts open to your love. Help us be witnesses of mercy and hope wherever you place us. We ask this in Jesus' Name, AMEN

Lord's Prayer
Prayer Song of Response *Open My Eyes*

Scripture Acts 1:1-11

Sermon *We Are Yours* Pastor John Huff

COMMITTING TO GOD

*Song of Commitment *He Lives*

*Benediction

Go forth in hope. Go forth with the knowledge of God's presence with you. Go to serve God by taking care of each other and God's world. Go now in peace! AMEN.

*Postlude *Let Your Light Shine/This Little Light of Mine* Organist

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Altar Flowers

*Our flowers are given by Loma Doerstler in loving memory
of her parents, Carl & Vera, her brothers, Giles & Eddie.*

Please check the chart across the Church Office.
Many Sundays available.

Worship Team

Music Director Rick Peelle

Organist Carol Meyer **Pianist** Susie Lewis

Song Leaders Amanda Stainbrook & Donna Winters

Greeter Nikki Foust **K.I.D.S. (Kids In Divine Service)** Stacy Herr