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May 10th, 2026

We welcome you not as strangers but as a part of God's family! We are a community of faith that gathers to praise our Lord and Savior, serve others, search for answers, and enjoy the fellowship of one another. We hope today you will be challenged and discover encouragement. The peace of Christ be with you!

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

6th Sunday of Easter

May 10th, 2026

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

*Worship begins with the Prelude. Please use this time for **silent** preparation.*

PRELUDE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive; from Psalm 66)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God all the earth,

People: *Sing out the praises of God.*

Leader: Come all you people and know the joy of the Lord,

People: *The love of God is greater than the tongue can tell!*

Leader: Bless the Lord all you people, bless his Holy Name!

People: *We praise, worship, honor, and glorify Your name, O Lord!*

PRAYER OF PRAISE

*HYMN OF ADORATION # 366

“Love Devine, All Loves Excelling”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Holy One, we love you imperfectly: we do not always keep your commandments. We love each other imperfectly: we hurt those you call us to love through our actions and inaction. We love ourselves imperfectly: we struggle to believe that we are truly your children, made in your image. Forgive us. By the power of your Spirit, make us more faithful; that we might live as Christ has shown us, reflecting your love and grace. Amen

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

*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, amen.*

A MOMENT WITH OUR CHILDREN

*HYMN OF PREPARATION # 824

“Near to the Heart of God”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 **debts**, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and
the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Peter 3:13-22, page 234

ANTHEM

Jean Sibelius

“Be Still, My Soul”

GOSPEL LESSON

John 14: 15-21, page 109

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

Chaplain. Robert Wilson

“A Love Without End, Amen”

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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“Apostles’ Creed”

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

James Walch

“Offertory in *Tidings*”

*DOXOLOGY

Hymn # 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING GOD’S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT # 804

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

John S. B. Monsell

“Christ is Risen, Alleluia”

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand if able.*

Opportunities for the Week of May 10th – May 17th

Sunday:

Happy Mother’s Day – Muffins for Mom

8:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship Service / Chaplain Robert Wilson

Wednesday:

5:45 p.m. Choir Practice

Sunday:

8:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship Service / Communion / PW Birthday Offering /
Rev. Dr. Tom Currie

5:00 p.m. Youth Group (last meeting)

Announcements

Please take a moment and welcome our own Chaplain Robert Wilson as he brings forth our message for today.

Happy Mother's Day to all the mom's, muffins will be served to all mom's before and after service today.

On Sunday, May 17th we will be collecting the PW Birthday Offering. Grant recipients are: Haywood Christian Ministry in Waynesville, NC and City of Mission of Findlay in Findlay, Ohio. Please review the insert available for more information.

We have numerous "basket ministry" bins in the Family Life Center. Please continue to donate items to any of the ministries each month.

The flowers in the sanctuary is given to the glory of God by Claudia McKenzie and Robert Hunt.