

Memorial United Methodist Church
Ascension Sunday - May 28, 2017

A special welcome to our guests. Your visit is a blessing to us, and we are glad you are here! Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you.

Children of all ages are welcome in worship. However, if you prefer, a nursery for infants through preschoolers is available. A greeter will be happy to direct you.



Hearing assistance is available during worship. A greeter will be happy to assist you with your choice of devices (headphones, earbud, or T-coil).

Today's Acolyte - Brandon K.

He is risen!. **He is risen indeed!**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Crown Him Lord of All!

by Ellor/Martin

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Risen with Christ, let us seek the realities of the Spirit.

Our life is hidden with Christ in God.

He who descended is also ascended far above the heavens,
that he might fill all things.

When Christ, our Life, appears, we shall appear with him in glory! Alleluia!

*PRAYER

**Almighty God, your blessed Son, our Savior Jesus Christ,
ascended far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.**

**Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise,
he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the world;
through the same your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

UMH 302

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 1:6-14

Fred Lyon

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



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ANTHEM— CHANCEL CHOIR

Risen on High

by Steven Kupferschmid

MESSAGE

Now What?

Rev. William Maisch

*HYMN

A Charge to Keep I Have

UMH 413

RESPONSE

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

by Prichard/Sewell

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.**

*CLOSING HYMN

O Church of God, United

UMH 547

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Rise Up in Glory

by David Paxton



**Please stand in your heart or posture.*
UMH=United Methodist Hymnal.

Today's Scripture Reading

Acts 1:6-14 (NRSV)

THE ASCENSION OF JESUS

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

MATTHIAS CHOSEN TO REPLACE JUDAS

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Upcoming Liturgist Schedule

DATE	JUNE 4	JUNE 11	JUNE 18
LITURGIST	Betty Jean Selby	Peg Arnold	Ralph Hitchens



Phase II of Memorial's Roof and HVAC Project is complete!

Thank you for your patience and support during this project to improve the comfort of all who seek and serve in ministry at Memorial. Also, thank you to the Trustees for orchestrating and guiding this large project!

Old Front Door Renovation and Plaster Repair - A big "Thank You" to the Crafty Ladies and Gents for making this project happen. The old entrance looks beautiful!

June 7 - Community Dinner - 5:30 to 7pm

- *Cookout Style Foods and Homemade Desserts*

Help is needed from 4-8:30pm. If you can give a couple hours of your time to volunteer or you can provide a dessert, please contact Lori Kocur at kocurs@verizon.net.

If you won't be helping at this dinner, please come enjoy the meal and fellowship.



Vacation Bible School - New Dates - July 24-28

If you are interested in helping with VBS, please come to our first meeting, Tuesday, June 6 at 6:30pm. Call or email Betty King at bking21710@gmail.com or 301-874-3967

Coffee Corner

Join us after Second Service for light refreshment and fellowship!



Sunday School

9:15-10:15 am



Spring Clean-Up will be Rescheduled

We will post the new date as soon as possible.

Any questions, please contact: Maureen Elder at 301-928-2596 or mlcuster74@yahoo.com.

Calling all Potential Acolytes: Would you like to bring glory to God through being an acolyte?

Young ladies and men who are in at least 5th grade this school year, are invited to become acolytes beginning this summer. To learn about becoming an acolyte, contact Lori Kocur at kocurs@verizon.net or 240-994-8011.

Mothering with Faith Book Club - Our next

book is "Never Unfriended" by Lisa Jo Baker.

When: Sunday, June 4, 9:15-10:15am (last time until Fall).

Where: Fellowship Hall. **Questions:** Shannon at 864-506-5513 or SARhoderick@gmail.com



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**“I believe in Christ, like
I believe in the sun -
not because I can see it,
but by it I can see
everything else.”**

C.S. Lewis



Upcoming Happenings

SUNDAY MAY 28	8:15am - 9am 9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am	First Service Sunday School (Fellowship Hall) Second Service
MONDAY MAY 29 <i>Memorial Day</i>	All Day 9am 7:30pm - 9pm	Office Closed Bulletin Deadline Bell Choir Rehearsal
WEDNESDAY MAY 31	7:30pm - 9pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
SUNDAY JUNE 4 <i>Pentecost</i>	8:15am - 9am 9:15am - 10:15am 9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am 12pm - 1pm	First Service Mothering with Faith Book Club One Room Sunday School Second Service Explore Community Needs Meeting
MONDAY JUNE 5	9am	Bulletin Deadline
WEDNESDAY JUNE 7	5:30pm - 7pm 7:30pm - 9pm	Community Dinner Chancel Choir Rehearsal
SUNDAY JUNE 11 <i>Trinity Sunday</i>	9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am 11:45am - 2pm	One Room Sunday School Worship Service Trustees Meeting



Daily Scripture Readings

SUN., MAY 28 - **Matthew 26:36-39** "I've Got This?"

MON., MAY 29 - **John 7:53-8:11** "A Second Chance"

TUE., MAY 30 - **James 2:14-17** "God Cares For Us"

WED., MAY 31 - **Philippians 2:12-18** "Complain or Contribute?"

THUR., JUNE 1 - **Isaiah 55:8-11** "Loss or Launch?"

FRI., JUNE 2 - **Mark 14:32-42** "Why God, Why?"

SAT., JUNE 3 - **Isaiah 53:1-9** "The Price is Paid"

Visit www.upperroom.com for more information.

Memorial's Statements

MISSION

Empower all to be disciples through Christ-centered worship, education and service.

VISION

Serving God and neighbor through the love and grace of Jesus Christ.

Last Sunday's Vitals

Worship Attendance: 131

Offerings/other income \$6,334

Total Offering since 1/1/2017 - \$119,844



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www.PMUMC.org

Office Information

COORDINATOR HOURS

Mon.-Fri., 8:30am 12:30pm

PASTOR APPOINTMENTS

To schedule, please contact the office at 301-349-2010, office@pmumc.org, or visit www.pmumc.org

EMERGENCIES

People in need of immediate pastoral care, please contact Pastor Bill at 301-461-0301

PHONE MESSAGES

Messages for Shirley and Pastor Bill are sent to their email accounts.

Church Personnel

PASTOR - Rev. William Maisch

CHURCH COORDINATOR

Shirley Prasada-Rao

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - Janet Hartz

ORGANIST - Linda Custer

BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR - Becky Smalley

HEAD ACOLYTE - Brandon Kocur

FACILITIES - Richard Scheetz

NURSERY CARE PROVIDERS -

Robin Walker and Lori King

Calling ALL Super Heroes



Come Join the Super Hero's Team!

July 24-28

6pm dinner served

6:30-8pm learn about being a hero for others