

Sixth Sunday
of Easter

May 17
2020

10:30 am

MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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Alleluia!

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POOLESVILLE, MD



*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. If you prefer, a nursery for infants
through preschoolers is available in Room 5.*

** Please stand in your heart or posture. UMH=United Methodist Hymnal; TFWS=The Faith We Sing.*

WELCOME

GREETING

Leader: The Lord is with you.

People: **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

by Joel Raney

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Live in God's love!

People: **Let that love be poured out for all God's people!**

Leader: Bring hope and peace to all whom you meet.

People: **We are called to be God's witnesses.**

Leader: Celebrate and rejoice.

All: **Praise be to God who has called, healed, and given us a ministry of peace. AMEN.**

* OPENING PRAYER

Lord of wondrous light and power, we come to you this day to learn of your will for our lives. Heal our wounds; lift our spirits; give us courage and confidence to boldly serve you in all that we do. AMEN.

HYMN

We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

UMH 569

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 17:22-31

Sandy Dowell

²² Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³ For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the

objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we too are his offspring.’

²⁹Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

1 Peter 3:13-16

Sandy Dowell

¹³Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

Air

by Johann Sebastian Bach

SCRIPTURE READING

John 14:15-21

Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

¹⁵“If you love me, you will keep^[a] my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate,^[b] to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in^[c] you.

¹⁸“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

REFLECTION/MESSAGE

Ever Ready

Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

HYMN

To God be the Glory

UMH 98

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

DOXOLOGY

THANKSGIVING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fugue in C Major

by G. F. Handel

"Start the Day" Prayer

Thank you for loving me,
for walking with me
and for caring about the smallest
details in my life.

Fill me with grace, Lord,
that I may have the strength
to face what is before me today.
I know not what
today will bring forth,
but make me ready Lord
for whatever it may be. Amen

Adapted from christianstt.com

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun., May 17 - **2 CORINTHIANS 4:7-18** *Hills of Life*
Mon., May 18 - **JOHN 15:1-10** *The Ultimate Connection*
Tue., May 19 - **LUKE 10:38-42** *The Power of Presence*
Wed., May 20 - **JOHN 5:19-24** *On Assignment*
Thu., May 21 - **1 CORINTHIANS 12:14-26** *Everyone's Gift Matter*
Fri., May 22 - **ECCLESIASTES 4:9-12** *Bold Encouragement*
Sat., May 23 - **MATTHEW 6:25-34** *Fear Conquering Love*

Visit www.upperroom.com for more information.

MEMORIAL'S PURPOSE



CHURCH GIVING

AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING (last 8 weeks)
\$5,205

WEEKLY BUDGET GOALS
\$5,770

WAYS TO GIVE:

- **Mail** to Memorial's PO Box 358
- **Drop** in Memorial's secured mailbox next to entrance
- **Electronically** via PMUMC.org

OFFICE INFORMATION

COORDINATOR HOURS

Monday-Friday, 9am-Noon

APPOINTMENTS WITH THE PASTOR

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

PHONE MESSAGES

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

EMERGENCIES

People in need of immediate pastoral care, please contact Pastor Tim at PastorTim@PMUMC.org

CHURCH PERSONNEL

PASTOR - Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

CHURCH COORDINATOR
Shirley Prasada-Rao

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - Janet Hartz

ORGANIST - Linda Custer

BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR - Becky Smalley

HEAD USHER - Dr. Robert Spiker

HEAD ACOLYTE - Emma Parker

CUSTODIAN - Pecoe Fleming

UPCOMING VIRTUAL HAPPENINGS

**Our Church Building will be closed until we can gather again safely.
Memorial UMC will continue BEING the Church by connecting virtually.**

Any questions, please leave a message at 301-349-2010 or send an email to office@pmumc.org

Memorial's Worship Services & Small Groups will remain online.

Please see below for instructions on how to participate with each event:

- **Worship Service** - visit www.PMUMC.org for instructions or visit www.YouTube.com and search "Poolesville Memorial United Methodist Church"
- **Adult Sunday School** - please contact Fred Lyon at cfredlyon@gmail.com.
- **Youth Sunday School** - please contact Betty King at bking21710@gmail.com.
- **Church Council Meeting** - please contact Scott McGrew at scott.mcgrew@aol.com
- **Youth Group** - please contact Beth Parker at parkerdbseg@comcast.net
- **Trustees Meeting** - please contact Gary Hartz at gjalaska@verizon.net
- **Review/Preview with Pastor Tim** - please contact Pastor Tim at pastortim@pmumc.org
- **Men's Group** - please contact Ray Hoewing at RLHoewing@gmail.com.

SUN - MAY 17 <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:30 am - 11:30 am 11:45 am - 1:30 pm	Adult Sunday School (Zoom) Sunday School for Children/Youth (Zoom) Worship Service (YouTube)
MON - MAY 18	7:06 - 7:36 pm	Youth Gathering w/Pastor Tim (Zoom)
TUE - MAY 19	7 - 8:30 pm	Men's Group (Zoom)
THU - MAY 21	7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim (Zoom)
SUN - MAY 24 <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter Memorial Day Weekend</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:30 am - 11:30 am 11:45 am - 1:30 pm	Adult Sunday School (Zoom) Sunday School for Children/Youth (Zoom) Worship Service (YouTube)
MON - MAY 25	7:06 - 7:36 pm	Youth Gathering w/Pastor Tim (Zoom)
TUE - MAY 26	7 - 8:30 pm	Men's Group (Zoom) Grief Recovery (Cancelled)
WED - MAY 27	6:30 - 8 pm	Connections Committee
THU - MAY 28	7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim (Zoom)
SUN - MAY 31 <i>Pentecost</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 10:30 am - 11:30 am 11:45 am - 1:30 pm	Adult Sunday School (Zoom) Sunday School for Children/Youth (Zoom) Worship Service (YouTube)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lord's Prayer at Noon - Bishop LaTrelle Easterling invites you to join her at noon every day to pray the Lord's Prayer. "More has been accomplished by prayer than the world will ever know," the bishop said. "We may be unable to gather physically, but we can gather in prayer -- and that is a powerful presence."

Graduates - Memorial wants to recognize ALL of those graduating this year. Please send the name, school, degree completed (diploma, BA, etc.) to Shirley at office@pmumc.org.

Looking for Help with Worship - As we continue with online worship, it would be great to have folks (individuals, families, kids, any configuration) read scriptures, lead the call to worship and opening prayer, and do all the things that our awesome lay-folk have traditionally done. All you would need to do is video yourself (yourselves) on your computer or smart phone and send the video to Pastor Tim@PMUMC.org. Question contact Pastor Tim.

"UnPlanned" Work Day - The Trustees are asking for anyone that has some extra time and energy to stop by the church and weed whenever works for you. If you have any questions, please reach out to Gary Hartz at gjalaska@verizon.net.

WUMCO appreciates all the donations and is please to announce their shelves are fully stocked! They are anticipating an increase in need for financial assistance. If you would like to send a monetary donation, please mail it to WUMCO, PO Box 247, Poolesville, MD 20837.

LAST CALL to Order Your Memorial UMC Spirit Wear-Deadline TODAY!

Gray, short sleeve T-shirts: Youth YS-YXL for \$10, Adult S-5XL for \$14.

Denim blue, long sleeve sweatshirts: Adult S-3XL for \$22.

To place order contact Kirsten Lewis at 301-349-2750 or kir05@hotmail.com.

The Friendly Thrift Shop & Spring Cleaning! - If you have new or gently used items to give away, please box/bag them up and save them for when the Thrift Shop reopens their doors. Contact the office at 301-349-2010 or office@pmumc.org with questions.

June Community Dinner is cancelled. Funds for April's Dinner to be donated to WUMCO.

Local Food Delivery - Saval Food opens their online orders for Poolesville Delivery each Tuesday starting at 9am. Order must be completed and paid for by Tuesday at 4pm. Curb side pick-up of your order will be here at Memorial on Thursday from 2-3:30pm. To order visit: <https://www.mysaval.store/> and then click the "Order Now" button and choose Poolesville.

Monocacy Bridge on Rte 28 in Dickerson

will be closed each weekend through September in order for the bridge to be completed 100%.