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What's up in worship?

Today: Pentecost=Poured out power on all people. It's a Celebration of Church and Faith: confirmation, the birth of the Church and the 50th anniversary of the United Methodist Church will all be recognized and celebrated. There was something that occurred at Pentecost we don't talk much about – confusion. At least for a few moments...wind, fire, speaking and hearing in different languages...must have been crazy! Luckily, Peter begins to explain: This is what happens when the Holy Spirit is given. The same is true for us – the church, our confirmands, etc. We need to answer the question... "What Can This Mean?"

Next Week: What (Who) makes us children of God? According to Romans, the Spirit of God. But it's not that simple, for there is a command involved (without moving too close to a works righteousness mindset): We must put to death the deeds of the body – by the Spirit of God.

Today's Community Connections:

- The altar flowers are presented by Michael and Susan Matacavage in celebration of the confirmation class of 2018 and by Susan and Mikailyn Matacavage in celebration of Michael's 50th birthday. Congratulations!
- If you are interested in providing fresh flowers for worship, please sign up at the Connections Corner table. (See bullet point below.)
- The Prayer Shawl Group gatherings are planned for the third Wednesday of each month 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. Anyone who cannot make the meetings, but would like to contribute a prayer shawl for distribution can give it to Evie Strain, any member of the group, or put it in the white metal closet closest to the back wall of the Youth Room, and tag it with their name.
- Who's up for a little golf? The Truman L. Frey and Rev. Sandy Ostman Memorial Tournament is coming up on June 16, 12:30 PM lunch and 1:00 start time. Check out our website or contact Donna Giardina: 484.515.2880 or trivdj@gmail.com.
- Feel like you missed something? The Connections Corner table can help. Head across the atrium and get the information you need just under the tv monitor.
- Don't receive our weekly e-news? Please email Sue Kiefner at: <u>SueK@wesleychurch.com</u> to get on the list!

Worship Alert >>> NEXT WEEK!!

Wesley Church will be moving to its summer schedule next Sunday, May 27th. We will worship together in one blended worship style through the summer at 10 AM. Any questions can be asked of Pastor Andy, preferably during the week. Please call or email!

Wesley Church Staff

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Today's morning schedule: 9:00 – Celebration of Church and Faith

Hospitality is offered in the atrium.

Church office hours are from 9 AM-3 PM weekdays during the school year.

A Celebration of Church and Faith

† invites all to stand, if able.

Worship Order

May 20th, 2018 Pentecost

Pre-Service Music

Welcome Andrew Krpata, Pastor

Opening Video: Celebrating 50 years of Methodism

Among the things we celebrate today is the recognition of 50 years of United Methodism. This video captures the moments when the church in its current form (United) came together. Happy birthday to the UMC!

† Greeting

Please stand and take some time to say hello to those around you, and remind them that Jesus is here! Peace!

† Scripture Acts 2:1-21 Walt Migliori, Reader

† Call to Worship: Please see projection.

Special Music God Be with You (arr. S. Geschke) Klangchor Bell Choir

God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide, uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.

ill we meet, till we meet, Till we meet at Jesus' feet;

ill we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

† Opening Prayer: Please see projection.

† Songs of Praise Burning in My Soul

Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us #331, United Methodist Hymnal

Children's Message Pastor Andy, Leader

Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Bob Keiderling, Minister of Discipleship

Whether offering your prayer aloud or keeping it confidential, please continue to fill out the blue cards and place them in the offering so that the prayer team may continue to faithfully do its work. Thank you!

Giving Our Tithes, Offerings and Other Gifts

The blue Sign-in Cards / Prayer Cards are available in the pew racks. They, as well as your morning offering, can be placed in the offering plates as they are passed along your pew. Thank you!

Music during the Offering: Spirit Song (arr. C. Dobrinski) Lyrics: See #347 in hymnal Celebration Ringers

Hymn Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart #500, United Methodist Hymnal

Brief Message "What Can This Mean?" Pastor Andy

Song of PreparationStart a Fire (Mattson, Lowry & Mosley)

The Ensemble

This world can be cold and bitter/Feels like we're in the dead of winter Waiting on something better/But am I really gonna hide forever?

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The Ensemble

Over and over again, I hear Your voice in my head/Let Your light shine, let Your light shine for all to see

(Chorus) Start a fire in my soul, fan the flame and make it grow So there's no doubt or denying Let it burn so brightly that everyone around can see That it's You, that it's You that we need/Start a fire in me

You only need a spark to start a whole blaze/It only takes a little faith Let it start right here in this city/So these old walls will never be the same

Over and over again, I hear Your voice in my head/They need to know, I need to go Spirit won't You fall on my heart now (to chorus)

You are the fire, You are the flame/You are the light on the darkest day
We have Your hope, we bear Your nameWe carry the news that You have come to save
Only You can save (to chorus)

You are the fire, You are the flame/You are the light on the darkest day (to chorus)

Liturgy of Confirmation

Please see the projection.

Sharing of Credos

Following the initial questions, each confirmand will approach the font, reaffirm their baptism, and then read their credo or have it read by their mentor. A credo is a statement of what one believes. They were written individually, and as such, are not right nor wrong, nor are they required to contain any particular statement. Following the reading of their credo, each confirmand will kneel and receive anointing and laying on of hands by pastor, Director of Children's Education (Susan Matacavage), Youth Director (Brian Graybeal), parents and mentor. This act of worship concludes as these youth answer questions to be received into church membership and membership into Wesley United Methodist Church.

The church is proud to have these 14 youth come to this special time and place in their faith development. We thank God for and celebrate them today! Please see the insert for basic information on these fine young people.

Congratulations, Presentation of Gifts, Recognition of Parents and Mentors

Pastoral Blessing Bob

Musical Response Fall on Me (J. Paul Williams and Douglas Nolan) Chancel Choir

Fall on me, fall on me/Let Your Spirit fall on me/Descending as a dove/Come fill me with Your love/Holy Spirit, fall on me

Fall on me, fall on me/Let Your Spirit fall on me/Come take away my sin/And make me new again/Let Your Spirit fall on me

Come now and take away my sin/Come now and make me whole again/Purer in heart, Lord, help me to be/O let Your Spirit fall on me

Fall on me, fall on me/Let Your Spirit fall on me/May everything I do/Reflect my love for You Let Your Spirit fall, O let Your Spirit fall on me/Holy Spirit, fall on me. Amen

Community Connections

Invitation to Fellowship and Closing Words

Closing Song Build Your Kingdom The Ensemble

† Benediction: Please see projection.

Dismissal: Reprise: Build Your Kingdom

"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done." Philippians 4:6 New Living Translation

MAY 13[™] Laurie Bilheimer, Scott Stackhouse to keep Andrew safe. John & Carol Covert for prayers for friend Trish with brain cancer. Chris Foster prayers for Dev Edward for health & behavior; Roby for neuropathy; Mike; and the Rayors for safe delivery of baby. Brian Graybeal for his mom with bacterial infection. Dolores Houtz for friend Gene Novak who suffered serious burns from lawn tractor accident a year ago. Frank Madura for God's healing for Dennis, Chuck, Mary & Joe - all with cancer. God's wisdom as my mother's caregiver & job search. God's comfort for all whose mothers have passed. Bob Keiderling for sister, Pat, going through another round of chemo. Kasey Renowden for Brenda Barber & Dick Champion with stage 4 cancer, for husband Joe with back problems, and for friend Leonard Clay who has Bell's Palsy. Spoken Prayers: Steve Kiefner's mother; Donna Gibboney, Sherri for cancer radiation; Tom Hine's father with stroke. Anon. A friend's Aunt Tootsie is sick. Pray for healing.

MAY 6TH Anon. for strength for new parents as a baby changes family dynamics. Anon. prayers for patience & guidance in efforts to bring son back where he needs to be. Christine Bainbridge for Margie Bell's recovery with spinal stenosis & therapy. Raeya Bell for Margie, my Nana, with back problems. Shirley Brandon for family friend, Brian, with serious health problems. Dottie Burns for grandson, in Job Corp & gone for 2 years. The Chapmans for people of Syria and Yemen who suffer with violence & war. Ann English for Stephen's Ministery recipient going through grieving process. Donna Giardina's brother Billy and brother-in-law Tommy. The Lehman Family for Nancy & the Arnold family. Terry Nighan asks prayers for her boss, David Vaden, as he recovers from surgery. The Schanewolf family for Traci's mom, Donna Gibboney, in critical care and septic. Janet Soos for mother, Yolanda McKinnon, at Moravian Village Hospice.

CONTINUED HEALING /PRAYER CONCERNS: Tom Keel prayers/rehab from foot surgery. Meg Ksenzakovic for Keith's mom. Walt & Carolyn Migliori for Walt's dad, Martin, amputation recovery. Shirley Brandon's back. Kelly Hines' father, Parkinson's disease. Andy Kereczman cancer. Reggie Young lung cancer surgery. Rebecca Flores chemo & radiation. Ricky Sterner lung transplant & heart surgery. Melissa Day cancer surgery. Betty Holt Mesothelioma. Chuck & Wendy Stehly for Jeff, brain cancer; Ivelisse with breast cancer.

JOYS AND PRAISES: Sydney Taylor who made the majorette team at Liberty High School. Laurie Bilheimer gives joy that Sarah had last CPA exam & Leah graduates from Sacred Heart. Chris Foster gives thanks for Noah's new staff and for all the blessings today. Shirley Brandon feels blessed with 2 sons & 2 grandchildren. Heather Hunter gives praise for arrival of grandson Owen. Mary Long thanks for brother continuing outpatient therapy. Frank Madura praises God for Caregiver's Group & Thursday Men's group.

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO: Dave Grow for the passing of his mother.

John & Carol Covert on the passing of John's brother, Ray.

Thomas Coombs on passing of wife, Sharon.

The Lockhart family ask comfort for family of Skie Strunk, who passed unexpectedly.

THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP: At Home: George & Martha Danner, Betty Hein, Naomi Jones

Gracedale Nancy Breon, Jane Sandt, Dorothy Coolin Arlington (Easton) Sylvia Thele Moravian Village Agnes Smith, Yolanda McKinnon Manor Care Frances Brandon King's Daughters Gertrude Kunsman Sterling Heights Peggy Jacobson Kirkland Village Barbara Guldner **Traditions of Hanover** Marian Jeffery

Westminster Village Howard & Shirley Beiseigel, Lorene Arnold Traditions HOA **Betty Holt**

WESLEY CHURCH MINISTRIES: Our teachers/facilitators; Good Grief: Men's & Women's Small groups, TEACHRwanda; Visitation/Stephen Ministry; We've Got Your Backpack Day; Backpack Buddies; Cancer Support Group; Wesley Community Garden; Lehigh Valley Outreach Depot; Young Inquirers Confirmation Class; UMC Leadership; Wesley Community Food Garden

WESLEY LEADERSHIP TEAMS:

Committee on Nominations and Leadership: Pastor Andrew Krpata, Lenore Mohr, Mike Matacavage, Chris Jacobsen, Brian Graybeal, Christy Hume, Jane Kempfer, and Michelle Koch.

Committee on Staff/Parish Relations: Dave Siegfried, Andrew Krpata, Mike Matacavage, Karen Marmaras, Meg Ksenzakovic, Steve Caskie, Liz Lewis, Mike Krom, and Jaimee Walters.

Board of Trustees: Rich Chambers, Jeff Rose, Deb Silliman, Andrew Krpata, Frank Madura, Kim Krupka, Kraig Hume, Lisa Jacobsen, and Doug Jantzi.

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> We ask that you please update your prayer request information at least every two weeks. This ensures that your request will remain on the Prayer List. Thank you.