

Fourth Sunday of Easter, Communion Sunday		
May 7, 2017 11:00 am		
<i>"God is Spirit, and His worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth."</i> (John 4:24)		
Prelude	"A Crown For Me" (Southbridge)	Sandy Griese
Welcome and Announcements		
*Call to Worship		
L: Come in, all who are tired and thirsty,		
P: The Good Shepherd leads us to green meadows and peaceful streams.		
L: Come in, all who are anxious and afraid,		
P: The Good Shepherd protects us and leads us through dark valleys.		
L: Come in, to be refreshed, to rest, and to receive.		
P: The Good Shepherd has brought us here. Amen.		
*Opening Hymn	"O Worship the King"	UMH 73
Lighting of the Candles		
*Opening Prayer (in unison)		
"God, Beloved Shepherd, we come to listen for Your familiar voice. Gather us in from our comings and goings. Lead us into Your peaceful presence. Feed us in the pastures of Your love and show us to celebrate abundant life. Amen."		
Anthem	"Lean On Me" (arr. Choplin)	Sanctuary Choir soloists Dylan Fredericks & Rachel Rice
Children's Message		
Hymn Response	"His Name Is Wonderful"	UMH 174
Prayer of Petition (in unison)		
"God of love and grace, as You swing wide the gate of welcome this day, strengthen us to walk through the gate of Your mercy and love. Speak to us through Your teachings that we may devote ourselves to Your guidance and feed on Your life-giving word. In Your name, we pray. Amen."		
Hebrew Scripture	Psalms	23:1-6
Gospel Lesson	John	10:1-10
L: This is the Word of God for the people of God.		
P: Thanks be to God.		
<i>*Please rise either in posture or in spirit.</i>		

*Hymn of Faith	"Close to Thee"	UMH 407
Message	"The Lord Is My Shepherd"	Rev. Wayne Chung
<i>Who likes to be compared to sheep? Who doesn't know the Psalm 23? "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want."</i>		
Giving in Response to God's Love		
Offertory	"At Calvary" (arr. Grassi)	Sanctuary Choir
HOLY COMMUNION		
The Great Thanksgiving – The Lord's Prayer – Sharing of the Bread and Cup		
Communion Hymns: UMH 617 I Come with Joy; 618 Let Us Break Bread Together; 419 I Am Thine, O Lord; 314 In the Garden		
Pastoral Prayer		
*Closing Hymn	"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"	UMH 381
Sending Forth with God's Blessing		
*Hymn Response	"My Tribute"	UMH 99
Postlude	"Christ, The Lord, Is Risen Today" (arr. Thygerson)	Sandy Griese
<u>Lection Reading for Following Sunday</u>		
Acts 7:55-60	Psalms 31:1-5, 15-16	1 Peter 2:2-10
		John 14:1-14
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<i>The flowers on the altar today are given by Jim and Sharon Fowler in memory of Tom Fowler's birthday, which was May 1st. Tom passed away on April 22nd of last year, just a few days short of his 96th birthday.</i>		
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<u>OUR FAITH IN ACTION</u>		
Our Prayers: The Family of Jack T. Dorsey, Sr., The Kotoriy Family, Florence Bowles, Elsie Arnold, Deloras Ward recovering from surgery, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr., Laura Wise – sister of Donna Nestor, Diana Marshall – niece of Martha Wooldridge, Kathy Wallace, Bill Fowler, Those who travel		

Our Presence: Worship Attendance Last Sunday 184
 Average Weekly Attendance 197

Our Gifts: Please strive to tithe! The Bible asks us to tithe 10% of our income to God. Many of our members are doing this already. How about you? You may give your offering electronically (EFT). Call the church office to set it up. *Stewardship is rather a way of life than an annual campaign. Thank You for your faithful stewardship!*

Record of Giving (Funds Received by the Church)

	January-March 2017					
	Actual		Budget		Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %
General Fund	\$99,852		\$95,219		\$4,633	5%
Missions Fund	\$4,580		\$6,174		(\$1,594)	-26%
P&I Fund	\$4,157		\$4,500		(\$343)	-8%
Building Fund	\$17,874		\$16,500		\$1,374	8%
Kitchen Fund	\$1,510		\$6,000		(\$4,490)	-75%
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal	21	Other	0	YTD Cereal	512

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$114,421 as of March 31, 2017
Mortgage Loan Balance = \$495,849 as of March 31, 2017

Service:
Ministers All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
Secretary Bonnie Dean bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org
Music Team Sandy Melson Griese, Holly Reynolds Lee,
 Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley

Custodian Jim Fowler
Counters Joyce Terry & Judy McGowan
Greeters 4th & 5th Grade Sunday School Class
Ushers Wheeler Green, Richard Chaney, 4th & 5th Grade Class
Altar Guild for May Minerva Moreland (410-741-5282)
Friendship Hour Psalm 19 Zone (Bonnie Dean)
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Our Mission: “Grow as Disciples, Serve as Friends.
 Love All; Serve All; Follow One!”

Our Motto: “Each One, Reach One!”