

Ascension Sunday, Mother's Day

May 13, 2018 11:00 am

"God is Spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth." (John 4:24)

Prelude Sandy Griese

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: Sing to God with songs of joy.

P: Sing praises to the Lord, sing praises.

L: See the power of the Most High God.

P: Look to the heavens and sing praises.

L: Sing to God with songs of hope.

P: Sing praises to the Lord, sing praises. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** "Rejoice, the Lord is King" **UMH 715**

Lighting of the Candles

***Opening Prayer** (in unison)

"Almighty God, as Christ was risen from the dead, may our lives be clothed with power from on high. As Christ ascended into the heavens, so may our hearts ascend to You. Open our lives to the fullness of Your power. Open our eyes to the power of Your presence. Amen."

Anthem "I Have a Very Special Friend" Pre-School- 1st Grade Sunday School
"Joy! Joy! Down In My Heart" 2nd – 4th Grade Sunday School

Children's Message

Hymn of Response "Jesus Loves Me" (v. 1) **UMH 191**

Prayer of Petition (unison)

"God of power and might, as we come into Your presence, prepare our hearts and spirits to hear Your voice. Remind us of Christ's authority over the church at all times and in all places. Renew our strength and purpose as Christ's followers to proclaim repentance and forgiveness of sins to all people in all places in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen."

New Testament Acts 1:1-11
Epistle Lesson Ephesians 1:15-23

L: This is the word of God for the people of God.

P: Thanks be to God. Amen.

**Please rise either in posture or in spirit.*

***Hymn of Faith** "Jesus Shall Reign" (v. 1-4) **UMH 157**

Message "Jesus Will Return" Rev. Wayne Chung
Christ, whose Body is the Church, was raised from the dead, taken up to the heavens, and will come again. Don't know when, but He will surely return. What shall we do until then? *"Christ died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again."*

Giving in Response to God's Love
Offertory Sandy Griese

***Doxology** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **UMH 94**

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Closing Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" **UMH 545**

Sending Forth with God's Blessing

***Hymn Response** "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" **UMH 557**

Postlude Sandy Griese

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*The flowers on the altar today are presented in celebration of
Jenna's May 10th birthday and May 25th graduation from Towson University
by Scott, Bonnie, Tabitha & Leanna Dean*

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*The rosebud on the Communion Table is in honor of the birth of Noel White the  
granddaughter of Bill & Marshale Burgess, Niece of Meredith, and daughter of  
Carolyn & Dwight White, born on April 27*

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### Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b Romans 8:22-27 John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

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### OUR FAITH IN ACTION

**Our Prayers:** Joey, Emily, & Clairra Hoecherl following the death of Joey's father, Jay Lounsbury's sister Ann Curry (upcoming hip surgery), Keith & Connie Ulrich following the death of Keith's mother Henrietta Ulrich, Jennifer Greiner's sister-in-law Melissa (suffering from cancer) and her family, Connor Goonan, Tim Gillikin – recovering from a fall, Jane Bowman, Helen McGill, Elizabeth Stinson, Bob & Van King, Tyler Madden, People in transition, Olivia Gammel – friend of Chris Heyer, Sarah Stallings, Jerome Stallings, Shirley Wood, Carl Stallings, Sr, Those who travel, For the healing of the nation.

**Our Presence:**                      Worship Attendance Last Sunday              185  
                                                  Average Weekly Worship Attendance              201

**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 2018 |          |                     |       |            |     |
|--------------------|--------------------|----------|---------------------|-------|------------|-----|
|                    | Actual             | Budget   | Surplus / (Deficit) | Var % |            |     |
| General Fund       | \$83,580           | \$89,962 | (\$6,382)           | -7%   |            |     |
| Missions Fund      | \$5,522            | \$4,911  | \$611               | 12%   |            |     |
| P&I Fund           | \$6,237            | \$3,951  | \$2,286             | 58%   |            |     |
| Building Fund      | \$14,785           | \$14,318 | \$467               | 3%    |            |     |
| Kitchen Fund       | \$7,135            | \$2,495  | \$4,640             | 186%  |            |     |
| Weekly SCAN Report | Cereal             | 30       | Other               | 9     | YTD Cereal | 513 |

\*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$122,706/ Mortgage Loan Balance = \$326,596 as of March 31, 2018

**Our Service:**

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Ministers                        | All Members and Volunteers at Friendship                                                                                    |
| Secretary                        | Bonnie Dean <a href="mailto:bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org">bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org</a>                          |
| Music Team                       | Sandy Melson Griese, Holly Reynolds Lee, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley                                                           |
| Children & Youth Ministry Coord. | Courtney Eversfield, <a href="mailto:cymc@friendshipmethodist.org">cymc@friendshipmethodist.org</a>                         |
| Custodian                        | Jim Fowler                                                                                                                  |
| Counters                         | Joyce Terry & Ed Hall                                                                                                       |
| Altar Guild for May              | Minerva Moreland (410-741-5282)                                                                                             |
| Friendship Hour                  | UMM for Mother's Day                                                                                                        |
| Stephen Ministry Coordinator     | Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C)                                                                                               |
| Pastor                           | Rev. Wayne Chung 443.646.5653<br><a href="mailto:leadpastor@friendshipmethodist.org">leadpastor@friendshipmethodist.org</a> |

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# FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, May 13, 2018  
 11:00 am Worship Service



ASCENSION  
 SUNDAY

**Our Mission:** “Grow as Disciples, Serve as Friends.  
 Love All; Serve All; Follow One!”

**Our Motto:** “Each One, Reach One!”