

Fourth Sunday of Easter, Communion Sunday
May 7, 2017 8:30 am

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

Prelude

Welcome

*Opening Songs

"God Leads Us Along"
"When Words Alone Cannot Express"

W&P 3031
W&P 3012

Announcements

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer Song

"Gentle Shepherd"

W&P 3096

*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."

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Song

"Gentle Shepherd"

W&S 3096

*Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment

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."

*Please rise either in posture or in spirit.

Hebrew Scripture

Gospel Lesson

Psalm

John

23:1-6

10:1-10

Sam Guest

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

P: Thanks be to God.

Message

"The Lord Is My Shepherd" Rev. Wayne Chung
Who likes to be compared to sheep? Who doesn't know the Psalm 23? "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want."

Giving in Response to God's Love

Offertory

Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Lord's Prayer – Sharing of the Bread and Cup

*Closing Song

"You Feed Us, Gentle Savior"

W&S 3169

*Sending Forth with God's Blessing

Response

"Peace, Salaam, Shalom"

W&S 3181

Postlude

Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Acts 7:55-60

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

1 Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14

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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.

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OUR FAITH IN ACTION

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

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| Our Presence: | Worship Attendance Last Sunday | 184 |
| | Average Worship 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 | | | |
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| | 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 1 | YTD Cereal 512 | |

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$114,421 as of March 31, 2017

Mortgage Loan Balance = \$495,849 as of March 31, 2017

Our Service:

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| 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 |
| 8:30 Greeters & Ushers | Harry Hill & Sam Terry |
| 8:30 Sound Tech | John Wilson |
| Altar Guild for May | Minerva Moreland (410-741-5282) |
| Friendship Hour | Psalm 19 Zone (Bonnie Dean) |
| Stephen Ministry Coordinator | Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C) |
| Pastor | Rev. Wayne Chung 443.646.5653 leadpastor@friendshipmethodist.org |

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FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, May 7, 2017
8:30 a.m. Worship Service



The Lord is my shepherd,
I shall not want.

Psalm 23: 1

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| Our Mission | : “Grow as Disciples, Serve as Friends. Love All; Serve All; Follow One!” |
| Our Motto | : “Each One, Reach One!” |