

Seventh Sunday of Easter, Ascension Sunday

May 28, 2017 11:00 am

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

Prelude "America, the Beautiful" (arr. Koury) Sandy Griese

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: Clap your hands, people of God.

P: Shout to God with cries of joy.

L: Look to the heavens, people of God.

P: See the power of the Most High God.

L: Sing your praises, people of God.

P: Shout to God with cries of joy. Amen.

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

Lighting of the Candles

*Opening Prayer (in unison)

"God of all glory, we come before You to praise Jesus, who came from heaven to reveal Your power and love. Grant us Your Spirit of wisdom that we may know You better and the hope You called us to. Make us ready to be Your disciples in all that we do, say, and think. Amen."

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM: *Autumn Charlotte Giles* **UMH 39-44**

Parents: PHILIP STEVEN GILES, JR. & MELISSA REGINA GILES

Anthem "How Firm a Foundation" (arr. A.L. Page) Handbell Choir

Children's Message

Hymn Response "Spirit of the Living God" **UMH 393**

Prayer of Petition (in 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."

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

New Testament Acts **1: 1-11** Renee Knopp

Gospel Lesson Ephesians **1:15-23**

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

P: Thanks be to God.

***Hymn of Faith** "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" **UMH 584**

Message "See you Soon" Rev. Wayne Chung

God raised Jesus from the dead. Jesus now ascends into heaven in front of His disciples.

Gone is Jesus! What shall we do now? What do you like to do?

Giving in Response to God's Love

Offertory "America, the Beautiful" (arr. D. Wagner) Handbell Choir

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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

***Closing Hymn** "Soon and Very Soon" **UMH 706**

Sending Forth with God's Blessing

***Hymn Response** "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (vs. 1) **UMH 557**

Postlude "Psalm 19" (Marcello) Sandy Griese

Lection Reading for Following Sunday

Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 John 7:37-39

The altar flowers are given in appreciation of the tireless efforts of FUMC's various Committee Chairs, Members, Volunteers, and Advocates - especially, Keith Ulrich of the BOT. Your time and service make Friendship such a special place!

The rosebud on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Josiah William Gresko born on Thursday, May 18th to Josh and Briana Gresko, brother of Jonah

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Our Prayers: 2017 Graduates, 2017 Confirmands, Pam Shumate, Wayne Thorne, Iva Gene Ward, Paula Curtin – recovering from knee surgery, Sally Lounsbury - recovering from hip surgery, 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 206
 Sunday School Attendance Last Sunday 55
 Average Weekly Attendance 198

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-April 2017			
	Actual	Budget	Surplus / (Deficit)	Var %
General Fund	\$137,442	\$132,837	\$4,605	3%
Missions Fund	\$7,400	\$7,858	(\$458)	-6%
P&I Fund	\$6,795	\$6,000	\$795	13%
Building Fund	\$24,519	\$22,000	\$2,519	11%
Kitchen Fund	\$1,710	\$8,000	(\$6,290)	-79%
Weekly SCAN Report	Cereal 28	Other 0	YTD Cereal	624

*Kitchen Fund Balance = \$114,621 as of April 30, 2017
 Mortgage Loan Balance = \$490,447 as of April 30, 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 Karen Eggert & Chuck Muller
 Acolyte Catherine Venters
 Ushers Doris McMichael & Bonnie Revell
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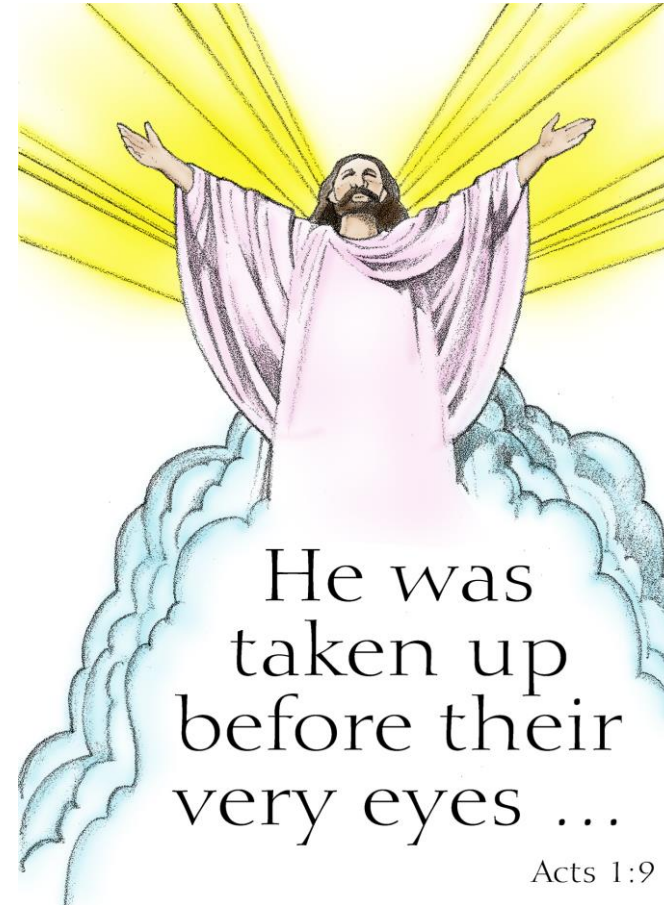
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FRIENDSHIP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, May 28, 2017
 11:00 a.m. Worship Service



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

Our Motto: “Each One, Reach One!”