

# Faith United Methodist Church

God's People Gather to Worship at 9:00 am

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader The day of Pentecost has come, and we are together. Will the works of God be known among us today?

Response *We live in the valley of dry bones. Around and within us is emptiness.*

Leader God comes to us as a gentle breath or violent wind. Catch your breath, God's breath, and live.

Response *There are stirrings deep within that give us hope. There is a Spirit linking us to one another.*

Leader The fires of love dispel life's shadows. God's Spirit comes to give us new life.

Response *Surely God is in this place! May the glory of God be known among us today!*

† OPENING HYMN 369 Blessed Assurance

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 887

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (IN UNISON)

When your face is hidden from us, mighty God, we forget that there is more to life than the daily pursuits that occupy our attention. We are weak because we have not tapped the resources you place within us. We are engaged only by what we can see and touch and hear. Our frantic self-centeredness dries up our bones and we lose hope. Call us out of the graves in which we have chosen to live, the deep ruts that keep us from knowing the fullness of life you reveal when we welcome your Spirit. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

In hope we are saved. The Spirit helps us in our weakness, intercedes for us, and guides us into all truth. God seeks to restore us to the fullness of life, to offer us hope, to assure us of our worth and value. Feel the flames of God's love resting on us, empowering us to love and serve in Christ's name.

PSALTER Psalm 1 *Page 738, UMH*

† NEW TESTAMENT READING John 16:4-16 *Page 765, pew Bible*

OFFERING/OFFERTORY Romans 5:5

DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow *Page 95, UMH*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† HYMN 402 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

SERMON *Spirit of Truth* Rev. Edgar A. Brady

† HYMN OF CELEBRATION 378 Amazing Grace

† SENDING Where God's people combine, there God is in our midst. We are here because we are called to be. What we share of ourselves is an extension of God. Amen.

† HYMN 666 Shalom to You

## Day of Pentecost

May 20, 2018

God's People Gather to Worship at 11:00 am

† GREETINGS

† OPENING SONGS OF PRAISE

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

† NEW TESTAMENT READING John 16:4-16 *Page 765, pew Bible*

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PRAYER

† OFFERING/SONGS OF PRAISE

† SENDING FORTH

*You are invited to the communion rail during this time for prayers of healing, intercession for others, strength and comfort, confession, salvation, or any other need. The Pastor and prayer team will meet you there.*

† Please stand if you are able.

Good morning and welcome to Faith United Methodist Church. Our hope is that you will feel God's presence through friendly faces, meaningful worship, and opportunities to serve God's people. We are blessed by your presence and our doors are always open to you. *Please complete a visitor card found in the back of the pew in front of you and give it to an usher.* We have a gift for you that we feel will have an impact on your life! We hope you feel at home and invite you to worship with us again.

