



Announcement: Please note that the 9:00 AM Senior Exercise groups are not meeting during the month of May. This is only temporary!

Abbreviation Legend
 CH--Criswell Hall S--Sanctuary
 K--Kitchen L--Library Room #123
 MMR--McMillen Room #113
 PS--Pastor's Study HR--Handbell Rm #115



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May 21, 2023

8:30 AM

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

- Mon May 22** 6:00 PM Quilt Class—CH.
- Tue May 23** 10:00 AM Sew n Sews—MMR, 11:00 AM Chair Yoga--CH,
1:00 PM Tuesday Bible Study--CH, 5:00 PM Bell Practice--HR.
- Wed May 24** 9:00 AM Church Work Day
- Thu May 25** 5:00 PM Bell Practice-HR, 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal-S
- Sun May 28** 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service
- Sun May 28** 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service

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At Our
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EVENTS
Mark Your Calendar

Sun June 4 Peace with Justice Sunday



Peace With Justice Sunday is one of the special Sundays of The United Methodist Church. Each year on this special Sunday, United Methodists across the globe give offerings to promote peace all over the world. A special offering will be taken here on June 4.

Sun June 18 UMM Annual Bar-B-Que Father's Day
 Sunday June 18th 11:30 AM
 Eat In or Take To Go
 Tri-Tip, Chicken or Combo Dinner
 Tickets \$15 each on sale beginning May 28



Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo Night



BINGO

Sat July 15-- Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo

A FUN FUNDRAISER!
 Coming to you from UWF!



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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

"Christ was taken up into heaven, not to enjoy blessed rest at a distance from us, but to govern the world for the salvation of all believers." ---John Calvin

HANDBELL CHOIR Come, Christians, Join to Sing Christ the Lord is Risen Today arr. Charles Maggs arr. Tyleen Stults

WELCOMING OUR VISITORS

PRAISE SONGS Crown Him with Many Crowns Arise Mighty to Save

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SONG OF ILLUMINATION Who is Like Thee

SCRIPTURE Acts 1:1-11 Luke 24:44-53

SERMON RISEN TO BLESS Rev. Mary Birgelaitis

OFFERING Agnus Dei

COMMUNION Above All

FINAL BLESSING Sanctuary

*CLOSING Detour

*Please stand as able

Acts 1:1-11

Today's Scripture

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been

taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.

Luke 24:44-53

Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.'

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Today's Liturgist: David Beard

ALL CHURCH SUNDAY HOSPITALITY TIME IS LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

Table with columns: WEEK, 8:30, 10:30, IN-PERSON, VIDEO, TOTAL, STEWARDSHIP. Includes weekly offering needed: \$6,160 and fiscal year summary: YTD Needed \$283,360 YTD Received: \$266,062.

HOSPITALITY TIME

Today's Hosts: Christian Education, Worship, Membership Care

Next Sunday May 28 hosted by

All Church