



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR



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Mon	May 13	6:00 PM Gerry's Quilt Class-CH
Tue	May 14	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 10:00 AM Sew n Sews-MMR, 11:00 AM Chair Yoga -CH, 1:00 PM Bible Study-Criswell Hall, 5:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal-HR, 7:00 PM Board of Trustees-MMR.
Wed	May 15	ELT Scholarship Application Deadline today. 9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 9:00 AM Church Work Morning-CH, 2:00 PM Church Council-MMR, 4:00 PM Pink Houses Cancer Event-K,CH.
Thu	May 16	9:00 AM Senior Exercise-CH, 10:30 AM SPRC-PS, 4:00 PM Children's Center Board-MMR, 5:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal-HR, 6:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary.
Fri	May 17	10:30 AM UWF Book Club-L, 2:00 PM ELT Scholarship Committee-L.
Sun	May 19	8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service-Sanctuary. 10:30 AM Traditional Worship Service-Sanctuary.

Abbreviation Legend

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

May 12, 2024

10:30 AM

Seventh Sunday of Easter ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Festival of the Christian Home

PRELUDE *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* George J. Webb/arr.Carol Tornquist

INTROIT *He is Exalted* TFWS #2070

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is in our midst,
offering love and grace.
Christ is in our midst,
inviting us to dance.
Christ is in our midst,
welcoming us to worship.

*OPENING HYMN *Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise* No. 312

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

**Glorious God, shine upon us
with your spirit of love and wisdom.
Enlighten our hearts and help us discover
the hope to which we are called,
and the love for which we were born.
In the light of Christ, we pray. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Carolyn Russell


A TIME OF PRAYER


Choral Call to Prayer	<i>You Alone are Holy</i>	TFWS #2077
Prayer/Lord's Prayer		
Choral Response	<i>You Alone are Holy</i>	TFWS #2077




TODAY!



Wed May 15 Deadline for applications for the 2024 ELT Scholarships. Apply online at: www.worshipweekly.com or church office. 


Sun May 26 Members of our Chancel Choir will be in New York City and performing at Lincoln Center. They will be enjoying several days in "The Big Apple!" 

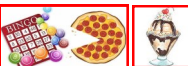
Sat Jun 1 Sweet Springs Nature Walk (Los Osos) and Lunch. Leave the church at 9:30 for 10 AM walk. Sign up and get details at Connections. 



Coming up on Sun Jun 16
UMM Father's Day
Tri-Tip Barbecue!

Sat Jun 22 10:00 AM Home and Garden Tour. We have an invitation to visit the home and inspirational garden of member Scott Trees. Mark your calendar and sign up at Connections.

Tue Jun 25 1:00 PM Marjorie Ott is presenting in her home a "Lemon Scones & Flourless Chocolate Cookies" baking class. The cost is \$15; please sign up at the Connections desk in the narthex. Limit 8 people. 

Sat Jul 13 UWF Bingo and Pizza and Ice Cream Sundaes! Save the date and watch for more details. 



Altar Flowers today are given in memory of Jim Alquist's cousin Linda who passed away last Saturday.

Today's Scripture

CHORAL ANTHEM *God Gives Us a Future with Hope* Pepper Joplin

SCRIPTURE Acts 1:1-11
John 17:6-11

HYMN (*remain seated*) *Fairest Lord Jesus* No. 189

SERMON WALKING IN THE LIGHT: Rev. Mary Birgelaitis
With Family

OFFERING

Call to Stewardship and Mission

Offertory *Sun of My Soul* John Keble/arr. Tom Fettke

Doxology/Prayer of Dedication Hymnal, No. 94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the Source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*CLOSING HYMN *Crown Him with Many Crowns* No. 327

*BENEDICTION

Lift your eyes to the heavens.
Trust the power of the Spirit.
Go as witnesses of the risen Lord.

RESPONSE *He is Exalted* TFWS #2070

POSTLUDE *Marche Jubilant* Robert W. Thygerson

**Please stand as able.*

Music Director: Julia Burns Piano/Keyboard: Dennis Eiler Organ: Brad Bettencourt

ACTS 1:1-11

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 for 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."

JOHN 17:6-11

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

Today's Liturgist: Nancy St. Laurent

ATTENDANCE						GIVING
WEEK	8:30	10:30	IN-PERSON	VIDEO	TOTAL	
04/14	35	62	97	27	124	\$ 2,795
04/21	37	60	97	26	123	\$ 2,382
04/28	40	109	149	32	181	\$ 1,187
05/05	41	34	75	27	102	\$12,645

Our Fiscal Year started July 1 Weekly Offering Needed \$6,038
STEWARDSHIP REPORT: YTD Received \$285,321 Budgeted \$257,570

HOSPITALITY TIME

Today's Hosts:

**UNITED WOMEN
IN FAITH (UWF)**

Next Sunday,

May 19

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