

FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Bulletin for Pentecost Sunday May 19, 2024

Service is In-Person or on Zoom

ZOOM:

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Meeting ID: 5166943424 Password 11735

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WELCOME TO FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pentecost Sunday May 19, 2024



Rev. Claire Hojung Wu, Pastor David Majoros, D.M.A., Director of Music Debbie Cala, Liturgist

GATHERING "How Glorious Is Thy Name" – Mozart/arr Simone

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRELUDE "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" UMH #404 (vv. 1, 2)

+ Bringing the light of Christ into the sanctuary

*CALL TO WORSHIP

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

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

God comes to us as a gentle breath or violent wind.

Catch your breath, God's breath, and live.

There are stirrings deep within that give us hope.

There is a Spirit linking us to one another.

The fires of love dispel life's shadows.

God's Spirit comes to give us new life.

Surely God is in this place!

May the glory of God be known among us today!

*OPENING HYMNS "Come, Holy Spirit, Come" FWS #2124 (2X)

"Come, Holy Spirit" & #2125 (2X)

with Chancel Choir and Barbara Grabowski-Schmidt as Leader

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS WITH EACH OTHER

INVOCATION

Amazing God, how manifold are your works! The earth is full of life you have created, in forms too numerous to count. You have linked us, your people, to the earth and to all living things. We are interdependent. We can survive only if we have reverence for life. Come among us now to make your ways known. Help us to dream dreams and see visions of your intentions for this world and for your church. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI UMH #71

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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.

CHANGE THE WORLD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTOR'S PRAYER

ANTHEM

THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

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"By Our Love" – Scholtes/arr Sewell The Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2:1-21

Read by Debbie Cala in English Read by David Majoros in German Read by Jose Flores in Spanish

*GOSPEL READING

John 20:19-23

Read by Pastor Claire Wu in English Read by Usah Singh in Hindi.

Leader: This is the Word of God. **People: Thanks be to God.**

HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

UMH #334

SERMON Pastor Claire Wu

CHORAL PRAYER RESPONSE

"Amen" – Ringwald The Chancel Choir

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"Lord, Here Am I" - Beck Madison Milhous, baritone

*DOXOLOGY

UMH #95

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

How manifold are your works, amazing God! When there are dry-bones times in our lives, we can look to you for new breath and hope and renewal of life. Your Spirit comes, and we are lifted up and linked to one another. We bring our offerings as an expression of thanksgiving for all your gifts. May your glory be proclaimed in all we give and all we do, when we are together and when we scatter to do your will in other places. Amen.

*HYMN "Spirit Song" UMH #347 (vv. 1, 2)

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Spirit Song" UMH #347 (Refrain)

Our worship has ended. Our service begins.

(*) Please stand as you are able.

OUR THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR MINISTRY:

<u>UPCOMING LITURGISTS:</u> <u>COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:</u>

<u>May 2024</u> <u>May 2024</u>

26th – Diane Puchta 26th – Rita & John

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today! If this is your first time with us, be sure to stop by the Visitor Center, in the room to the side of the Sanctuary, for a welcome packet and a gift! If you wish to receive our newsletter, please send us your contact information to office@farmingdaleumc.org and visit our website farmingdaleumc.org.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

• There is no Ad-Council Meeting in May due to the Memorial Day holiday.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

• Twin County Chorus Church Fundraiser –TODAY, May 19th. We look forward to seeing you at 2 p.m.

2023 ANNUAL REPORT – Copies of the 2023 Annual Report are available on the Welcome Table.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!</u> We will be volunteering at the Long Island Ducks games on Saturdays and Sundays. See Garry Wurth or Danny Gastelua to sign up. The more stands/games we cover, the more money we make.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION MINISTRIES

- FRIDAY LADIES SMALL GROUP MEETS AT 7:30 PM VIA ZOOM
- SATURDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY MEETS AT 8:00 AM-9:00AM VIA ZOOM
- WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY MEETS AT 10:30 AM VIA ZOOM

CONCERNS & COMMITMENTS:

Whenever the gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, the Spirit of God is at work. If you have been touched by God and desire to make a commitment to Christ and to His Church or you would like to have the pastor pray with/for you, please *come to the Altar after worship*, the pastor will meet with you for prayer.

PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

We share prayer requests as part of our regular service. Please raise your hand for the microphone to share your prayer concerns and joys with the congregation. If you have private prayer requests, please write your prayer request upon your arrival at the sanctuary, and then pass it to the offering basket during the offertory time. Thank you!

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Church Office Hours: Tuesdays- Thursdays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
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