



FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**Bulletin for
Trinity Sunday
May 26, 2024**

Service is In-Person or on Zoom

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WELCOME TO FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Trinity Sunday

May 26, 2024



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

GATHERING

“Fanfare and Meditation on ‘My Country, ‘Tis of Thee’”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRELUDE

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”
+ Bringing the light of Christ into the sanctuary

UMH #64 (vv. 1, 4)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ascribe to God glory and strength;
Worship God in holy splendor.

The splendor of our Creator meets us here.

We are filled with awe before our God.

The voice of God is powerful and full of majesty;
God offers strength and peace to all people.

God’s voice thunders over the waters.

God’s strength empowers our response.

Holy, holy, holy is the God of hosts.

The whole earth is full of God’s glory.

The universe is God’s dwelling place.

There is no place from which God is absent.

*OPENING HYMN

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

UMH #557 (vv. 1, 3, 4)

SHARING GOD’S BLESSINGS WITH EACH OTHER

INVOCATION

O God, you are beyond our wildest imagining. When we speak of you, there are no words to describe your majesty and power. We know you best in Jesus of Nazareth who shared your love with all he met. He called for our rebirth as your children, cleansed by water and the spirit. We come together seeking renewal of vows made at our baptism. We want to be faithful as Christ was faithful. We want to be fruitful in the work you give us to do. Bless our worship that we may be a blessing to others. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH #71

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all worlds, we confess that we are too much people of the flesh, living in slavery to our possessions and our fears. We are so attached to our little corner of the world that we find it difficult to identify with people whose experience is far different from our own. We do not want to suffer with the homeless, the

hungry, the refugees, the oppressed. We turn away from the suffering of Jesus to pursue temporary advantages. We act like just another human organization, not the body of Christ making a difference in the world. O God, forgive us and reclaim us as your children. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God always claims us and loves us. When we confess our lostness and seek new birth in the spirit, putting to death our selfish pursuits, we can receive what God always offers, participation in God's realm. We are born anew to life which already partakes of eternity. The cleansing coals of forgiveness touch our lips, taking away our guilt and blotting out our sin. Receive this gift from God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTOR'S PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

ANTHEM "Blades of Grass and Pure White Stones" – Hatch, Alexander, Nash/arr Christopher
The Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 8:12-17

***GOSPEL READING** John 3:1-17

Leader: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PREPARATION "Hallelujah! What a Savior" UMH #165 (vv. 1, 5)

SERMON Pastor Claire Wu

CHORAL PRAYER RESPONSE "Amen" – Ringwald
The Chancel Choir

A LITANY FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Let us give thanks to God for the land of our birth with all its chartered liberties. For all the wonder of our country's story:

We give you thanks, O God.

For leaders in nation and state, and for those who in days past and in these present times have labored for the commonwealth:

We give you thanks, O God.

For those who in all times and places have been true and brave, and in the world's common ways have lived upright lives and ministered to their fellows:

We give you thanks, O God.

For those who served their country in its hour of need, and especially for those who gave even their lives in that service:

We give you thanks, O God.

O almighty God and most merciful Father, as we remember these your servants, remembering with gratitude their courage and strength, we hold before you those who mourn them. Look upon your bereaved servants with your mercy. As this day brings them memories of those they have lost, may it also bring your consolation and the assurance that their loved ones are alive now and forever in your living presence.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

“We Are God’s People”
The Chancel Choir & Congregation

FWS #2220

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH #95

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Receive our offering, God of glory, that our church may come alive in the Spirit. May these gifts, and the way we live our lives each day, proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. Strengthen us in our giving. Help us to be generous enough to experience the joy you find in showering us with more than we can ever give away. Thank you for the gift of Jesus Christ. Amen.

***HYMN**

“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

FWS #3104 (vv. 1-3)

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

FWS #3104 (v. 4)

Our worship has ended. Our service begins.

(* Please stand as you are able.

OUR THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR MINISTRY:

UPCOMING LITURGISTS:

June 2024

2nd – Karen Gierie Newman

9th – Sharon Lensky

16th – Sherry Tuscano

23rd – Diane Puchta

30th – Lois Muller

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS:

June 2024

2nd - Faustina & Vicki

9th – Smith/Muller

16th – Jayme & Diane

23rd – Rita & John

30th - UWF

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:

- Trustees Meeting – Tuesday, June 4th, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.
- Finance Committee Meeting – Monday, June 10th, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.
- Cooking Ministry – Wednesday, June 12th, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.
- Church Council Meeting - Monday, June 24th, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- Vision Bearers Meeting - Sunday, June 30th at 11:00 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Calling All Yard Sale Enthusiasts!!!** – FUMC will be holding a yard sale on **Saturday, June 1, 2024, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.** Come check out the huge variety of new, used & *VINTAGE* items! Volunteers are needed! Thank you!

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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!! 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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