

ORDER OF WORSHIP
 Sunday, May 14, 2017
 Fifth Sunday after Easter
 Festival of the Christian Home
 Mother's Day

ENTRANCE

The people come together in the Lord's name.

PRELUDE

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST AMONG US

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Jesus, the Light of the World* Public Domain

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Spirit of God calls us from many places - some of us come from busy homes with many people, some of us live alone.
All: We are a part of the family.
 One: This week has been different for each of us - some of us have had happy news we want to celebrate, some of us have faced grief and need to cry.
All: We are members of God's family.
 One: Yet we all come to this same place - all of us seeking God's presence in our lives, all of us seeking God's presence with each other.
All: Together we become God's family.

*OPENING PRAYER

God of small seeds, intertwining vines, and mighty trees, we come to you this day representing families of all sizes and types. Some of our families are represented by one person, others by several people, and still others by multiple generations. All are called by you to be loving and faithful; to nurture and teach each other the great good news of your compassionate love for us. We honor all families, of all types, all sizes, all configurations. We celebrate that you have called us to be your family members, brothers and sisters together in you. Open our hearts and spirits today to hear your words of instruction and witness for us. Help us to prepare to go from this place in joy to serve you all of our days. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE *The Church's One Foundation* UMH 545

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

HYMN OF PRAYER *Be Still, My Soul* UMH 534

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

CHORAL RESPONSE *Threefold Amen*

PROCLAMATION

The Scriptures are opened to the people.

SCRIPTURE 1 Peter 2:2-10 NT 213

CHILDREN'S SERMON *Celebrating Mothers*
 ANTHEM *The Gift of Love* arr. Hal Hopson
 PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
 SCRIPTURE John 14:1-14 NT 101
 SERMON *Standing in the Narrow Pass*

RESPONSE

The people respond with acts of commitment and faith.

*RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
 One: We take refuge in you, LORD. Please never let us be put to shame. Rescue us by your righteousness!
All: Listen closely to us! Deliver us quickly. Be a rock that protects us. Be a strong fortress that saves us!
 One: You are definitely our rock and our fortress. Guide us and lead us for the sake of your good name! Get us out of this net that's been set for us because you are our protective fortress.
All: We entrust our spirits into your hands. You, LORD, God of faithfulness – you have saved us.
 One: Our future is in your hands. Don't hand us over to our enemies, to all who are out to get us!
All: Shine your face on your servants. Save us by your faithful love!

OFFERING

Offertory *I Love Thee* arr. Mary Ellen Kerrick
 *Doxology UMH 95
 *Dedication of the Offering

SENDING FORTH

The people are sent into ministry with the Lord's blessing.

*HYMN OF PROMISE *Blessed Be the Tie That Binds* UMH 557

*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST GOES FORTH

*BENEDICTION *May the Lord, Mighty God* Carl Ashley

May the Lord, mighty God, Help you in ev'ry endeavor. May the Lord, mighty God,
 Bless you and keep you forever. Long may His grace be kind to you Bless you and keep you forever,
 By His grace and His might May it fail you never. Bless you and keep you forever.

*POSTLUDE

* = Please stand as you are able.

NT = New Testament, OT = Old Testament

TFWS = The Faith We Sing, UMH = United Methodist Hymnal

A fully staffed and stocked nursery is available for your convenience.
 Also, the rocking chairs in the Sanctuary are for rocking your little ones.
 Please ask an usher if you need any assistance.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the glory and praise of Almighty God and in honor of Teeny Perry and in memory of Alice Bond by Richard, Kathy, Elizabeth and Reynolds Bond.

SUPPORTING THE CHURCH

BY OUR PRAYERS...

Unless otherwise requested, prayer requests remain on this list for thirty days. We have an active prayer chain. If you have need for immediate prayer, please call the church office or Joanne Taylor at 910-892-7034.

Lou Allred	Larry Carmichael	Mary Hardison	Rochelle Pope
Tammie Arnold	Nancy Cooper	Sarah Herring	Chloe Ray
Donald Bass	James Cooper	Susan Horton	Jan Spencer
James Best	Susan Crooks	Harold Hundley	Nancy Thomas
Mary Lemuel Blalock	Brandon Eaton	Anne Johnson	Irvin Warren
Chris Byrd	Elliott Gifford	Ida Lawrence	Glenda Weisner
Kim Byrd	Patti Godwin	Janice Lever	

BY OUR PRESENCE AND GIFTS 5/7/17...

Sunday School Attendance	28	Offering Received	\$ 7,653.30
Worship Attendance	91	Weekly Cash Needs	\$ 6,726.27

BY OUR SERVICE AND WITNESS...

		<i>Serving This Week</i>		<i>Serving Next Week</i>
ACOLYTE	May 14	Jackson Crumpler	May 21	Christopher Parker
ALTAR FLOWERS	May 14	Kathy Bond	May 21	Julie Easter
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	May 14	Hope Tyndall	May 21	Martha Smith
FINANCE	May 14	Mickey Hollingsworth	May 21	Jim Schmidlin
GREETERS	May 14	Gordon and Polly Clapp	May 21	Ric and Dava Anderson
		Open		Robert and Kay Parker
NURSERY	May 14	Willie Ferrell	May 21	Lois Dail
YOUTH VOLUNTEERS	May 14	No Youth Activities	May 21	No Youth Activities
	May 17	Apperson	May 24	Peterson

		<i>Serving This Month</i>		<i>Serving Next Month</i>
ALTAR GUILD	May	Dava Anderson	Jun	Cindy Coats
		Mary Lou Winchester		Kim Schmidlin
LITURGIST	May	Gary Ronnfeldt	Jun	Craig Strickland
USHERS	May	Bob Johnson, Mike McLeod, Rudy King, Herman Medlin	Jun	Larry Opperman, Cory Wilson Steve Parker, Rhett Raynor,

MAY BIRTHDAYS

2 Tommy Matthews	17 Ida Lawrence	28 Derek Easter
6 Mikayla Peterson	19 Frances Opperman	30 Samantha Butts
8 Cal Creek	22 Mark Duval	30 Harold Hundley
8 Jackson Goodman	22 Rhett Raynor	31 Ana-Beth Brewer
8 Natasha Williams	23 Mike Ennis	31 Jerry Callahan
10 Ed Matthews	23 Reagan Warren	31 Charles Leake
11 Charlie Crumpler	24 Allie Snipes	
12 Joyce Draughon	25 Patsy Coats	



A Place to... Belong... Believe... Become

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Divine Street United Methodist Church

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