



# MAIN STREET

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

June 8, 2025

Pentecost Sunday

10:55 am

Traditional Worship Service

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Victoria Smathers

## WE APPROACH GOD

### PRELUDE

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*  
Jill Gardner, pianist

arr. by Mary McDonald

### CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Victoria Smathers

In rushing wind and cleansing fire . . . **God's Spirit lead us here.**  
In courage found and faith renewed . . . **God's Spirit fills our hearts with longing.**  
In visions seen and dreams made real . . . **God's Spirit takes away our fear.**  
In rushing wind and cleansing fire . . . **God's Spirit sends us to share Christ's love.**

### \* PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 332 *Spirit of Faith, Come Down*

BEALOTH

### \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

Victoria Smathers

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church\*, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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### \* SHARING THE PEACE

Victoria Smathers

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Al Ward

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## WE HEAR FROM GOD

### KIDS' TIME

*Jesus Loves the Little Children*

Victoria Smathers

**Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world; every color, shape, and size,  
They are precious in his eyes. Jesus loves the little children of the world.**

Children ages 3 years to 1st grade are dismissed to *Kids Connect-Worship*.  
Parents may pick up their children in the Children's Education Building after the worship service.

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 2: 1-13  
Pew Bible, NT page 119

Cynthia Barron

## ANTHEM

*Walk In the Spirit*  
Chancel Choir; Jill Gardner, pianist; Nancy Blakemore, director

J. Paul Williams/David Lantz III

## SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 98: 4-9  
Pew Bible, OT page 551

Phil Kuntz

## SERMON

"Why the World Needs the Church"

Phil Kuntz

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

### \* HYMN TFWs No. 2117

*Spirit of God*

DOVE SONG

## OFFERING INVITATION

Al Ward

### OFFERTORY

*Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers*

Alfred V. Fedak

### \*DOXOLOGY No. 94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**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 up lifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Al Ward

### \* HYMN No. 420

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

TRENTHAM

### \* RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS Bob Neuman, Jack & Kristin McLeod

Phil Kuntz

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include Bob, Jack and Kristin now before you in your care?

**With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Bob, Jack, and Kristin with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.**

Members of the household of God, I commend Bob, Jack, and Kristin to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

### \* BENEDICTION

Phil Kuntz

### \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

## POSTLUDE

*Jig Fugue in C Major*

Dietrich Buxtehude

\* please stand as you are able

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## Welcome to worship at Main Street United Methodist Church!

*When Christians worship, we step into an alternative world. Liturgy and ritual, hymns and prayers invite us into another landscape. Jesus' words and the experience of his presence peel back the rhetoric that pummels our eardrums so that we are able to hear him say to us, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." (John 14:27, NRSV)*

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### Thank you for worshipping with us today at Main Street UMC!

If you are a visitor, please sign the attendance pad in the pew so that we can contact you at a later date in order to discuss the ministries of Main Street UMC.

**Restrooms** are located in the back left corner of the Narthex.

**Should you need to step out during worship**, you can go to the Parlor and still view and hear the worship service. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

**Main Street UMC's Sanctuary** is an area where photography, video and audio recording may occur. Camera angles may capture your image as you worship. Our weekly services are routinely shared with others via livestream and DVD. If you would like a DVD of today's 10:55 service, please contact Kathryn at 993-3411 in the church office.

**Confidential prayer requests** can be made by calling the church office at 336-993-3411 or by clicking the "contact" tab on [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org).

**Children's Ministry:** We are so happy to share God's love with our children! Main Street is a Safe Sanctuary Congregation.

- **Nursery** (8:30-noon) is available for infants-3 year olds in the Education Building. The nursery is staffed with experienced caregivers and lay volunteers.
- **Kids Connect** is our Sunday School (9:45-10:45am) program for children ages 3 years old to 5th grade in the Education building. Kids Connect offers a large group Bible lesson, worship, and small group activities.
- **Kids Connect-Worship** is offered during the 10:55am service for wiggly kids ages 3 years to 1st grade who can't quite remain in worship the entire time. Kids of all ages are invited to the front for *Moments with Children* before the younger children are dismissed to the Education Building for *Kids Connect-Worship* activities.

## Let's Worship Together!

### Sundays

8:30am less-formal Traditional service in the Sanctuary

8:45am Jubilee Contemporary service in the Chapel

10:55am Traditional Worship service in the Sanctuary

### Wednesdays (September-May)

5:00pm Oasis Mid-week Service in the Sanctuary

### Main Street UMC Staff

Lanny Lancaster, Senior Pastor

Phil Kuntz, Associate Pastor

Al Ward, Minister of Visitation

Wayne Purdy, Pastor of Youth Ministries

Victoria Smathers, Dir. of Children's Ministries

Nancy Blakemore, Director of Music Ministries

Clay Howard, Jubilee Music Director

Jenny Lail, Alpha & Omega Youth Choir Director

Jill Gardner, Organist/Pianist

Tina Crew, Business Manager

Betsy Tang, Administrative Assistant

Kathryn Jenkins, Administrative Assistant

Anthony Simmonds, Custodian

Willie Craven, Custodian

Kellie Vinay, Preschool Director

Cynthia Barron, Kitchen Hostess

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# Announcements

**TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS** in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Fred Morris and Georgia Newman Morris.

**THE HERITAGE CLUB** will meet for Breakfast at Cagney's in Kernersville at 9:00am on **June 10**. Pay for your meal at the restaurant.

**SPECIAL CHARGE CONFERENCE:** All Church Council members (*and any interested church members*) should plan to attend a meeting on **June 12** at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. We are required to have a special charge conference to approve the new associate pastor's compensation package; the meeting will be brief.

**FAREWELL TO PASTOR PHIL**—We look forward to celebrating the 4 years of ministry that Phil Kuntz has shared with Main Street UMC on **June 15**, which will be Pastor Phil's last Sunday with us. We will have a farewell reception in The Commons on June 15 during the Sunday School hour (9:45 to 10:45am). We know that many members will want to participate in a love offering and share personal "Thank You" cards, etc with Phil. The deadline for contributions to a love offering will be June 30 and cards should be received prior to the farewell reception on June 15. Cards and contributions may be placed in the weekly collection plates or dropped off to the church office; please label these for Phil's love offering. Most importantly, your prayers, thoughts, and support of Phil, Emma, Edie, and Thomas during this transition period are appreciated.

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:** the deadline for the JC Grose Scholarship (for upcoming college sophomores, juniors, and seniors) is **June 16**; and the deadline for the Frank & Mary Palmer Scholarship (for upcoming college sophomore, juniors, and seniors) is **June 27**. Applications for both scholarships can be found at [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org) under Ministries and Youth.

**TAKE A HIKE GROUP:** Our next hike is Tuesday, **June 17**. Meet in church parking lot at 9. Hikes are 2 to 3 miles long. Contact the church office if you are interested or just show up and join the group!

**QUARTERLY DINNER:** the Methodist Men's quarterly dinner will be on **June 17** at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall. **Everyone** is invited (*that means anyone who is interested, not just the men*), just remember to please make a reservation by **June 13**. This allows the circle preparing the meal to plan enough meals. Reservations can be made at [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org) and click "signups" on the red stripe. Our guest speaker for June will be Jon Musser, Director of Mission Services for World Relief Triad, an organization that works with local refugee families. Mike Harris, who volunteers with World Relief, will introduce the speaker. This is a project supported by Main Street with our missions donations.

**LET US PRAY FOR** our new Associate Pastor, Rev. Sarah McIntosh and her family: husband Shane and children Abigail and Ellie as they prepare to move to our community this summer. Plan to attend worship on **July 13** to meet Rev. Sarah McIntosh on her first Sunday with us where she will deliver the message at all 3 worship services.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** will be on **July 14-17**. Save the date and plan to send your children and grandchildren to Main Street's Vacation Bible School. This year's theme is "True North" and our kids will go on an Alaskan Adventure where they will learn that we have Jesus—our true north! Give kids a rock-solid foundation and point them to Jesus, their unmovable, unshakable friend forever! Register at [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org).

**COLLECTION BOXES** are in the Main Entrance to the Commons for: **HOPE CENTER**—donate empty egg cartons, clothing, groceries; **BOOKSAPALOOZA**—donate new or used books; and **CRISIS CONTROL**—donate non-perishable food, each month has an item to focus on, June's items are peanut butter and jelly.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** can be submitted by calling the church office at 336-993-3411 or by contacting one of the pastors. There is also a "button" on your weekly Connections email that is sent every Thursday, so that makes it easy!

**THANK YOU** for helping to care for our Sanctuary by not bringing in food or beverages.

# Lyrics

## SPIRIT OF FAITH, COME DOWN

1. Spirit of faith, come down, reveal the things of God, and make to us the God-head known, and witness with the blood. 'Tis thine the blood to apply and give us eyes to see, who did for every sinner die hath surely died for me.
2. No one can truly say that Jesus is the Lord, unless thou take the veil away and breathe the living Word. Then, only then, we feel our interest in his blood, and cry with joy unspeakable, "Thou art my Lord, my God!"
3. O that the world might know the all-atoning Lamb! Spirit of faith, descend and show the virtue of his name; the grace which all may find, the saving power, impart, and testify to humankind, and speak in every heart.
4. Inspire the living faith (which whosoe'er receive, the witness in themselves they have and consciously believe), the faith that conquers all, and doth the mountain move, and saves whome'er on Jesus call, and perfects them in love.

## SPIRIT OF GOD

1. Spirit of God, bright Wind, breath that bids life begin, blow as you always do; create us anew. Give us the breath to sing, lifted on soaring wing, held in your hands, born on your wings, Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!
2. Spirit of God, bright Dove, grant us your peace and love, healing upon your wings for all living things. For when we live your peace, captives will find release, held in your hands, born on your wings, Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!
3. Spirit of God, bright Hands, even in far off lands you hold all the human race in one warm embrace. No matter where we got, you hold us together so, held in your hands, born on your wings, Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!
4. Spirit of God, bright Flame, send us in your holy name, the power to heal, to share your love everywhere. We cannot fail or fall, or know defeat at all, held in your hands, born on your wings, Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!
5. Spirit of God in all, we gladly hear your call, the life in our hands that sings, the power of your wings. Born of your grace we rise, love shining in our eyes, held in your hands, born on your wings, Alleluia! Come, Spirit, come!.

## BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
2. Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.
3. Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine, till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.
4. Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.