

Newark First UMC Welcomes You
May 14, 2023
6th Sunday of Easter
Mothers' Day / Festival of the Christian Home

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING:

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kyle Houser

NFUMC MISSIONAL OUTREACH:

"We Sing of Your Glory" #2011

Blessing Baskets are for the benefit of *"Family Promise of Wayne County"*.

INTROIT

"Gift of Love"

Bell Choir

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP:

Acts 1:4-5. 7-8

Liturgist

God calls: While staying with the disciples, the resurrected Jesus ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. This 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. ... It is not for you to know the time 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.

We Respond: Christian Spirituality is a growing awareness of the Spirit of God in our lives and is vital as we are transformed into the image and nature of Jesus, so that we may serve others even as Jesus serves. This is Jesus' spirituality, and it is his gift to all who bind their lives to him.

† HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Rule of Life"

#3117

OPENING PRAYER:

May the words of our mouths and the thoughts that guide our actions be in accord with your continuous and costly commitment to justice, peace, and health in the world you love so much. Amen.

ANTHEM

"Like a River"

Chancel Choir

FIRST READING:

Acts 17:22-31

Liturgist

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 66:8-20 (UMH 790) *Liturgist*

⁸ Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of God's praise be heard, ⁹ who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.

¹⁰ **For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.**

¹¹ You brought us into the net; you laid afflictions on our loins;

¹² **you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us forth to a spacious place.**

¹³ I will come into your house with burnt offerings; I will pay you my vows, ¹⁴ which that my lips uttered, and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

¹⁵ **I will offer to you burnt offerings of fatlings, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams; I will make an offering of bulls and goats.**

¹⁶ Come and hear, all you who worship God, and I will tell what God has done for me.

¹⁷ **I cried aloud to God, who was highly praised with my tongue.**

¹⁸ If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

¹⁹ **But truly God has listened; has given heed to the voice of my prayer. ²⁰ Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me.**

† GLORIA PATRI:

No. 70

† GOSPEL READING:

John 14:15-21

Liturgist

EPISTLE READING:

1st Peter 3:13-22

Pastor

† HYMN OF PREPARATION:

"More Precious than Silver"

#2065

TODAY'S MESSAGE:

"Godly Motherhood Is Spiritual Work"

Pastor

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY:

#95

JOYS AND CONCERNS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER: *Kyle Houser*

† HYMN OF SENDING:

"Blessed Assurance"

#369

† BENEDICTION WITH BLESSING:

POSTLUDE:

Now, God Sends Us Forth to Be the Church in Service

Upcoming Liturgist

5/21 Kyle Houser
5/28 Eileen Godfrey
6/04 Vickie George
6/11 Josh Mercer

Upcoming Soundboard

5/21 Rob Hoe
5/28 Josh Mercer
6/04 Josh Mercer
6/11 Carl Mercer

Ushers

Vivian Greenlee
Kirk Palmatier
Gail DeFisher

Greeter

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This Week

Mon 15th

Tues 16th

8:30 Coffee @ Wegmans

9:30 Rummage

7:00 Boy Scouts

7:00 Prayer for Healing

Wed 17th

6:30 Bell Choir

7:30 chancel Choir

Thurs 18th

7:00 Ad Council

Fri 19th

Sat 20th

9:30 Basic Lay Servant Class

Sun 21st

8:50 Journey Discussion

9:00 Men's Study

10:00 WORSHIP

Staff Appreciation Lunch
following worship service.

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The promise of Christ:

“I will not leave you orphaned;
I am coming to you.
Because I live,
you also will live.”



Looking Ahead

No S/PPRC Scheduled for June
June 1-3 Annual Conference
June 8th UWIF
June 10th Basic Lay Servant Course
June 15th Trustees
June 20th Transition Team Meeting
June 22nd Ad Council

Pastor: Rev. David Herrmann

Media Min. Dir.: Sami Cepulo

Music Director: Stephanie Mercer

Choir Director: Kathy Cornwell

Bell Choir Director: Jenna Taylor

Lay Leader: Elsie Dedrick

Ad Council Chair: Kyle Houser

Sound Board: Rob Hoe

Liturgist: Don Combes