

ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Second Sunday after Pentecost + June 6, 2021

- † *We're delighted you're here and hope you feel at home! Please take a moment to complete the prayer request form inserted in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate as you exit.*
- † *MUMC welcomes children—and children's noise! If at any time during the service your child needs a place for more active play, an optional nursery for pre-K students and younger is provided downstairs.*
- † *Our current worship guidelines ask that you wear masks and social distance. Thank you for your help!*

GATHERING

Welcome

To those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. —1 Corinthians 1:2-3

Prelude

We invite you to prayerfully (and joyfully!) prepare your heart for the worship of God during this time.

Opening Prayer

The prayer begins:
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

*Praise

One Thing Remains
Holy Spirit Rain Down

PROCLAMATION

Scripture—Philippians 3:1-21

Children's Sermon

Scripture—Acts 5:17-42

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

RESPONSE

Prayers of the People

The congregation responds to each petition:
Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

The prayer concludes:

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.

*Affirmation of Faith

**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.**

*Praise, Even So Come

*Give, Serve, Grow

Giving is an act of worship & an expression of gratitude to God. We offer Him ourselves and the material world He has placed under our care. Our tithes and offerings become a means of spreading the gospel, strengthening disciples, and serving the needy. Online giving has been set up through a link on our website.

Opportunities for service and growth are listed on the back of the bulletin, including our current prayer list. More immediate prayer requests are sent via email/facebook throughout the week.

If you'd like to sign up for our e-newsletter, e-prayer chain, or for more information, please contact the church office at 865.982.4799 or umc.middlesettlements@gmail.com.

SENDING FORTH

*Benediction

May the Almighty and Merciful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you. Amen.

*Postlude

A GUIDE FOR DAILY PRAYER *using your bulletin.*

Begin by remembering...*take time to remember God's presence in you, around you, and in your circumstances. God has never left you or abandoned you: He is with you always.*

Praise God...*begin with the opening prayer/ Call to Worship, sing one of the hymns, recite the Affirmation of Faith (since true things about God are cause for joy and praise!), and take time to thank God for His works in your life, the church, and the world.*

Read your bible...*Life with God is more than us talking—we are also called to listen. Take time to read one of the Scripture Lessons of the week (or another of your choosing), asking God to instruct, guide, correct, encourage, and enliven you by His holy word.*

Respond...*Reflect on the reading, pondering the words and examining yourself and life, paying attention to the whispers of truth and love from the Holy Spirit. Turn over to His care yourself, life, loved ones, and community. Pray for those on our church prayer list, adding those for whom you have committed to pray. End with the Lord's prayer.*

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH AND SERVICE

The mission and desire of Middlesettlements United Methodist Church is to reach out and lovingly touch lives as Jesus Christ did, both by word and example.

Mark your calendar for *Vacation Bible School* (Infant through 5th Grade) 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Dates are Sunday June 27 – Wednesday June 30. Dinner will be provided.

The funeral service for Callie Brown will be Saturday, June 12, Middlesettlements UMC Sanctuary, at 2:00 pm.

Buckets for Africa. Thank you to John and Margie for delivering 21 buckets to Fairview UMC this week. Thank you, church, for your response.

Our Prayer List: Neil Rhodes (outpatient surgery on June 9); Elaine Butcher (recovering at home from a fall at home); Harold Brown and family on the death of Callie Brown; Betty Scott grandmother of Robin Turnmire (treatment is going well); Grace Sawyer (Heart attack); Mark Shaw's cousin Michelle (Cancer); Kathy Puckett's sister-in-law Elmeria (recent back surgery); Kathy Puckett's cousin's husband who had a stroke on Tuesday (prognosis good); praise Joel Puckett's cousin Jodie is finally doing better (please continue to pray for complete healing); Ina Bolton, Luther Goodson; Carolyn Crisp, J.B. O'Connor, Leona Mote, Effie Cardin; Kermit Marcus (Justin's father); Howie & Rachel Ammons brother-in-law, Bruce Rudder (cancer); Mary Justice' son, Donnie Swanner; Maria Carpenter Wright's sister Linda (lupus, asthma, & Meniere's Disease) and friend Dianne (cancer); Keith & Leslie McAmis's sister, Susan Philips (chemo); Judy Goodson's brother Jim Lester (cancer); Bridget Jenkins' daughter Holly Child (cancer).

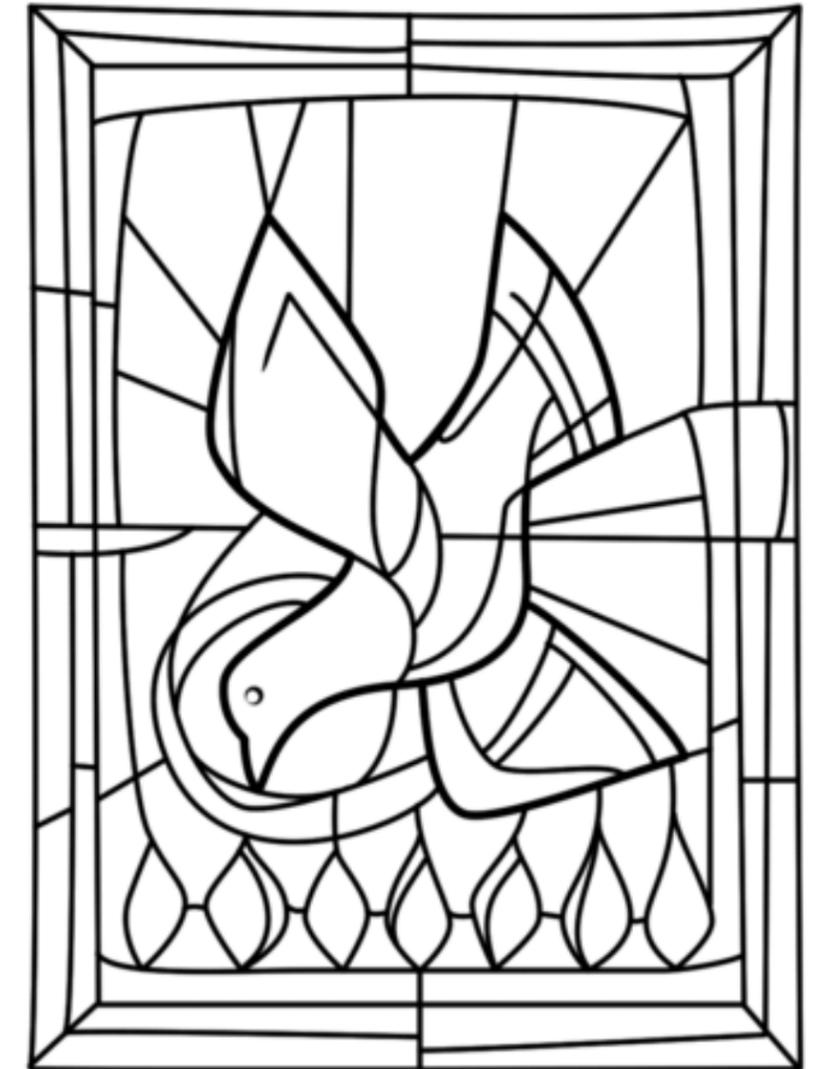
WORSHIP NOTES

MIDDLESETTLEMENTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Service of Worship

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 6, 2021



If you have information for the bulletin or newsletter, please leave a message at the church office (865.982.4799 or umc.middlesettlements@gmail.com). Prayer requests are kept on the list for 3 weeks and may be re-requested.

*“This is the covenant I will make with the people,” declares the Lord, “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God and they will be my people.”
Jeremiah 31:33*