



When the Spirit
of Truth comes,
he will guide you
in all truth.

– John 16:13a

First United Methodist Church

Sunday, May 20, 2018 – Day of Pentecost

Our Statement of Faith: Jesus, Our Rock of Salvation, Our Life Springs Eternal

Faith Theme 2018

HEALTHY THINGS GROW>GROWING THINGS CHANGE>CHANGE IS A CHALLENGE>
CHALLENGE FORCES US TO TRUST GOD—>TRUSTING GOD MAKES US HEALTHY>
HEALTHY THINGS GROW!

Prelude		Justin Hardman
Welcome and Announcements		
<i>Please register your presence with us this morning, then pass the book to the person sitting next to you. Before the offertory, tear off the sheet and place it in the offering plate. Thank You!</i>		
	<i>Acolyte: Nicholas Griffin</i>	<i>Greeter: Ethel Nauman</i>
*Call to Worship	“Majesty, Worship His Majesty”	UMH 176
*Hymn of Praise	“The Church’s One Foundation”	UMH 545
Receiving of Tithes and Offerings		
Doxology	“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”	UMH 95
Passing the Peace of Christ		
Children’s Time		
Joys and Concerns		
A Time of Prayer – Silent Prayer—Congregational Prayer		
*Hymn of Preparation	“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”	UMH 526
Scripture Reading	Acts 2:1-21 (p. 885)	Linda Prince
The Word of God for the People of God: The People Respond “Thanks Be to God!”		
Morning Message	“The Church IS Born”	“Rev. Jimmy Chrisawn
*Closing Hymn	“Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us”	UMH 38
*Parting Blessing: Leaving to Serve		
Postlude		Justin Hardma

Prayer Requests: Nancy DeBernardi; Harold "Butch" Tomjack; Linda DeBernardi; Norman Johnson; Raif Nettik; Joel Barbour; Kay Womack's sister, Terry; Margaret Bettolo & her cousin, Marcella Romero; Becky Morrison; Larry Garcia; Gail Webb; Don Hofeldt; Penny Hardin's husband, Jim; Carol Ransdell; Ruby Macy; Madge Venetta's granddaughter, Arianna; Alma O'Hare; Josh Patterson; Larry Finnell; Mindy Sheckler's niece; Pat & Jack Norris; Patty Beatty; Patrice Noel; Debbie Sparby; Dennis Doncaster's sister, Sister Diana; Cathy Georgis' brother-in-law, Todd Ludeman; Pastor Jim, and his uncle, Marshall, sister, Judy, & aunt, Mona; Rusty Dickson; Bill McGarvey; Tom McCutcheon; Mallory Rosetti Gardner; June Wittman; Fred & Isaac Wittman; Rhonda Wheeler; Renee Bustos' father, Bill Cogswell; Gene Lane; Keelan Schupman; Jackie Hansen; Karie Chrisawn's mother.

Prayer Request:

By:

Recommended for Devotional Readings:

May 27th – Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17

June 3rd – 1 Samuel 3:1-20; Psalm 139:1-6, 12-18; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-3:6

Greetings from Pastor Jim!

On behalf of the Church here at Rock Springs Methodist Church, we would like to welcome you to our service. This welcome is for regulars and visitors alike. We know that there are many things you could have chosen to do with your Sunday morning, however, we are ever grateful you decided to join us as we worship and fellowship together sharing our faith journey. Amen!

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Pastor: Rev. Jimmy R. Chrisawn

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Lay Leader: Kathy Ellis

Nursery Attendant(s): Nicole France & Lauren Mayer

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Church office Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

Please call the office to ensure someone is here.

(*) Please Stand as you are able. TFWS is the smaller paperback and the UMH is the hardback song book.

Share the Message! The Pastor's Message is recorded on CD's every Sunday. They are available free of Charge and can be found in the Narthex. and at the website: www.rockspringsumc.org. You are welcome to take one.

General Information/Opportunities/Upcoming

Sunday School for Adults, 9:00 a.m. (*Live on Facebook, Rock Springs First United Methodist Church*)
Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church, during Service (*Following the Children's Time*)

Pastor's Office Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 a.m. till Noon. Other times by appointment, however, the Pastor is always available. Please call or text him. Please call before making a special trip.

SPECIAL NOTE: If you would like the Pastor to visit with your family, or someone else, please let him or the office know so it can be arranged.

By The Numbers

Attendance Last Sunday	57 Adults 7 Children
Weekly Budget	\$ 2,846.00
May 13th Generous Undesignated Giving	\$ 1,550.00

LIFE GROUP/COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Wednesdays, 3:00 p.m.	"Conversations In Faith", at the church
Thursday, May 24, 7:15 a.m.	Prayer at the flagpole, RS High School, All invited

Facebook Schedule

Sundays, 9:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.	"Thursday Theological Reflections"
Fridays, 8:00 p.m.	"Friday Evening Fireside Faith Chat"

Upcoming dates for your calendar

Wednesday, May 23, 5:30 p.m.	Music practice, All invited, at the church
Thursday, June 14, 6:30 p.m.	Finance Meeting
Thursday, June 14, to follow	Administrative Board Meeting

Remember donated items for the Boys & Girls Club are appreciated by UMW; see Mary Lou Jessen, Penni Harden, or Marj Schaefer.

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Greetings in the Holy and Sacred name of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ!

Let's go back to 6 May and pick up where that article left off. We are looking at the early church and how it developed. Here is a snippet from the 6 May article:

As the Apostles died one by one their letters became very valuable to this early and growing movement later called Christianity. It would be about three hundred years before all of the scriptures used by the early Church would be assembled, sorted, validated, and a canon of sacred writings would be formalized. The Bible we have today is the end result of the early Church fathers' dedication and spiritual leadership.

Putting together a book of sacred text was no easy undertaking. It took over 300 years and so many meetings one cannot imagine. And remember no rapid transit. Not only was the early church trying to put together sacred text (the Bible we have today) but they were also figuring out the foundations of this new faith movement. From these spiritual struggles, Christian conferencing, and Holy conversations we received the affirmations of faith we hold dear today (they are found in the hymnal). Not only all of this, but the interpretation of the sacred text was also going on. It would be the early second century when a biblical scholar named Tertullian would coin the phrase we all know as the Trinity or Holy Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Ghost). I would recommend that every Christian read Fox's "Book of Martyrs" as this will give some depth and insight into what the early church faced. One person to look up for sure would be Polycarp. To be continued...