



PENTECOST

— SUNDAY —



CESHIRE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Welcome to the Cheshire United Methodist Church.

All are welcome (all means all)!

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 24, 2026

10:00 A. M.

PRELUDE

Mara Weed

OPENING PRAYER

WORDS OF WELCOME

The Pastor

◆CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, breathe new life into your people.

People: We gather with open hearts, longing for your presence.

Leader: When fear keeps us silent,

People: Fill us with courage and hope.

Leader: When division separates neighbor from neighbor,

People: Teach us to hear one another with love.

Leader: God pours out the Spirit on all people.

People: Young and old, near and far, all belong in God's grace.

Leader: Come, let us worship the living God.

All: We worship with joy, expectation, and praise.

◆OPENING HYMN #368

“My Hope is Built”

◆PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Holy God, We praise you because your Spirit still moves among your people, breathing life into weary hearts, bringing courage where there is fear, and creating connection where division has taken root. We adore you for the gift of Pentecost, where your love crossed every boundary and gathered people together in hope through Jesus Christ. You are the God of wind and fire, of renewal and new beginnings. Awaken us by your Spirit to live with compassion, courage, and peace. We worship you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S HYMN

“Praise Him, All Ye Little Children”

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN & THE LORD'S PRAYER

“Jesus Loves Me”

(ushers collect green prayer cards)

THE FIRST LESSON (p. 525 OT)

Psalm 104: 24-34 (responsive)

◆THE GOSPEL LESSON (p. 111 NT)

Acts 2: 1-21 (responsive)

SERMON

“WHEN THE SPIRIT MOVES”

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Rain Down”

Carter/Cortez

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY

◆Doxology #95, Prayer of Dedication and Altar Call

◆CLOSING HYMN #334

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

◆THE BENEDICTION

◆PASSING OF THE PEACE

◆Stand, if you are able

Usher: Joe Driscoll

Visual Arts Creator: Mara Weed

Ambassador: Jim Jackson

Visual Arts Engineer: Mark Gilleylen

Fellowship: Dawn and Sergio Deganis

Livestream Tech: Sergio Deganis

Member Outreach: Marge Jordan

Counters: Leean Spalding, Elaine Lau

Nursery: Justin Heuser, Laurie Bellagamba

Prayer Cards: Ginny Ludwig

Sunday School: Sue Trumbo, Kaitlin Heuser

Lector: Dawn Deganis

Announcements

The **altar flowers** are given to the Glory of God by Ruth Veleber in memory of her brother, Roger Sellew.

Something New will be meeting on Tuesday, May 26th, at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The Safety Task Force will be meeting on Thursday, May 28th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Faithful Thomas Room.

Save the date for our **June 7th Church Picnic** following worship! If you'd like to bring a dessert or side, the sign-up sheet is waiting for you in the Fellowship Hall.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Welcome!

We are a Welcoming and Reconciling congregation. Rooted in God's love, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person and seek to live Christ's call to compassion, justice, healing, and wholeness. We welcome people of all races, ages, genders, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, nationalities, abilities, family structures, and social or economic backgrounds into the full life and leadership of the church. We believe we can love alike even when we do not think alike, and we invite all to share in worship, ministry, fellowship, and the sacraments as we grow together in faith and love.

Who We Are . . .

We are a church family that welcomes all, regardless of political views or Christian perspectives, because we belong to the one family of God. Though we may not always agree, we commit to loving, forgiving, honoring our differences, and serving together as we live out the Gospel of God's love revealed in Jesus Christ. Guided by Micah 6:8, we strive to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.