

Order of Morning Worship

May 17, 2026

8:30 AM

Immediately preceding worship there will be a time for sharing community concerns and announcements. Thank you for giving our lay leaders your courteous attention.

Prayer Concerns and Praises

ANNOUNCEMENTS Barbara Bragg

PRELUDE *“Immortal Invisible, God Only Wise”* Handbells

† CALL TO WORSHIP The Faith We Sing 2070

*He is exalted, the King is exalted on high, I will praise him.
He is exalted, forever exalted and I will praise his name!
He is the Lord, forever his truth shall reign;
heaven and earth rejoice in his holy name.
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.*

† OPENING HYMN UMH 327

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

† THE APOSTLE'S CREED Hymnal 881

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.

† PASSING OF THE PEACE The Faith We Sing 2077

*You alone are holy; you alone are worthy;
you are filled with splendor and with awesome wonder.
For our sins you suffered, died and resurrected, granting us salvation,
giving us eternal life.*

*You alone are holy; you alone are worthy;
you are filled with splendor and with awesome wonder.
Send your Holy Spirit; may it shine upon us.
Let your wondrous glory with its radiance fill this place.*

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

† HYMN *“Thine Be the Glory”* UMH 308

OFFERTORY PRAYER

GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *“Canon of Grace”* Handbells

† DOXOLOGY UMH 94

*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!*

READING FROM THE GOSPEL **Luke 24: 44-53**

ANTHEM *“Give Me Jesus”* Choir

SERMON Matthew M. Smith

“And Oh What Heights Will Hit!”

† HYMN OF INVITATION The Faith We Sing 2175

“Together We Serve”

† BENEDICTION

† CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (sung by all)

*As we go, may your Spirit go before us.
As we go, may we follow where you lead.
May we live what we have learned,
share the message we have heard,
and be a light unto the world as we go.*

POSTLUDE Jonathan Willis, Piano

Remember ~
Casie Darnell, niece of Martha Meeks
Tish Cates
Graceful Healing for Michele Husley
David Miller
Timothy King
Katherine Bone
Phillip and Patricia Collie,
Friends of Cassie Robinson
Gracie Crouch
Brandon Walker, Friend of Eric Hulse's Coworker
Jeff Vest, Brother of Candy Welch
Beth Swanson
Ben Majors
John and Ruby Walker
The Robinson Family
Jonathan Carter
Jim Jess
Justin Clark
Dan Adkins, Son of Leo Larkin
Jane Gerdeman's grandson,
Dalton
Hudson Boyett, Grandson of Milburn and Beth Gross
Claudia Davis, friend of Wanda Lamb
Marisha Pressley and Family
Charles Bishop, father of Larry Bishop
Richard Patterson
Linda Turner
April Fitzgerald
Ryan Edwards

Donna Owens
Eric Zimovan's grandmother,
Dorothy
Deven Beard
Ryder Beard
Joanne Lowery
Lisa Adkins
Joyce Folk
Becky Crouch Ogungbe, David and Gracie Crouch's daughter
Thelma Younger, Sandy Goode's mother
Mac Rainey, Kim Carter's cousin
Jean Humphrey, Susan Hayes' mother
Wendy Joiner
David Fry
Timothy King, Eileen King's son
J. Paul and Linda Miller
Becky Aidarodini, Sarah Carter's mother
Tyler Swafford, friend of Heather Douglas and family
Bob, Glenn, and John Larkin
Mike and Linda Kumke
Jill McMurtrie
Stan Carnegie

Weekly needs ~
Loved ones in Armed Forces:
Devon Bachus; Tim Bagwell;
Johnnie Bone IV; Johnnie Bone III;
John Boswell; Forrest Collier; Houston Curtis; Coleman Grider; Christian Haines; Gean Johnson; Trevor Liles Sam Nelson; Jonathan Perry; Dalton Phillips; Adam Stolz; Cole Temmen; Wesley Yeager

† Please, stand as you are able.
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WE'RE HAPPY YOU'RE HERE! ~ Please scan the QR Code to sign in OR sign in on the red attendance pads. Thank you for worshiping with us today!

Announcements & Events at HGUMC

Hazel Green United Methodist Church

NURSERY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE ~ May 24, 2026 Traditional Service - Need Volunteers Contemporary Service- Mary Ann Smith & Need Volunteer

Friendly Reminder- the nursery room is a "Shoe Free Zone" and please remember to pick up any trash and put away toys at the end of service. We need additional volunteers to staff the Nursery during Sunday morning services. We are also looking for people to fill in as needed. Contact office@hazelgreen.org for more information.

HELLO SUMMER HGUMC SUMMER BASH ~ We're excited to share that our Summer Bash is happening on **Saturday, May 30th from Noon – 6:00 PM!** It's going to be a fun-filled day for all ages with a vendor market, car show, live music, food, treats, and prize raffles. Be thinking of friends, neighbors, and family you can invite to join us for this special day of fellowship and community outreach. We'd love for this to be a big, welcoming event for everyone! If you're interested in being a vendor or volunteering, please contact the church office for more details.

It's a 'short term' version of the original Disciple Bible Study series, with a video component, lively discussions and lots of New Testament study. If you are interested in coming along for the journey, it would be a great blessing to have you! If you have questions or want to learn more, contact **Matt Smith**.

DEEP DIVE ~ A serious study of God's Word should be the part of every disciples journey of faith. We offer a **Wednesday evening Bible study at 6:30 PM**, affectionately known as The Search Committee! Soon, we will begin an amazing journey through the New Testament. It's a 'short term' version of the original Disciple Bible Study series, with a video component, lively discussions and lots of New Testament study. If you are interested in coming along for the journey, it would be a great blessing to have you! If you have questions or want to learn more, contact **Matt Smith**.



CELEBRATE RECOVERY ~ Celebrate Recovery will be every **Tuesday at 6:30 PM** in the Gym.



SENIOR SUNDAY ~ Join us as we celebrate and honor our graduating seniors on **Sunday, June 7th!** This special day is dedicated to recognizing their hard work, achievements, and the exciting journey ahead. We'll take time during the service to pray over our seniors and show our support as a church family. If you have a graduating senior in your family, please let us know so we can include them in this meaningful celebration!



LET'S GET GROWING... AGAIN! ~ Our church garden is making a comeback. Once a place of growth and giving, we're excited to bring it back to serve our community. Join your church family as we plant, tend, and share the harvest. No experience needed - just a willing heart. Come grow with us!



CONFIRM YOUR RESERVATION...WITH JESUS! ~ It is a long standing tradition of the church to offer and encourage young people of a certain age the opportunity to make a public profession of their faith and baptism--a process called confirmation. The young people (at around the time of 6th grade) experience a period of study (biblical studies, theology, church history, and more), fellowship, service, and a fun outing or two! If you know of a young person at this exciting time in their life, please contact Rev Matthew Smith. The classes will likely begin in the fall, though we want to begin planning the rest of the journey now! Stand by for...Confirmation and Baptism Sunday!



COMFORT CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP ~ Normally Meets monthly on the 4th Sunday at 2 PM in the Conference Room. The next meeting is **May 24th**. For more information, contact **Gracie**

Crouch.



SUPPORT GROUP ~ for widows, widowers and divorcees meets 3rd Thursdays at 11:30 AM in the Conference Room. If you are dealing with grief or feeling a loss, consider joining us for fellowship, discussion. Contact **Diane Daebler** for more info at (256) 656-8725. Next meeting will be **May 21st**.



KIDS IN ACTION ~ meets Sundays from 4– 5:30 PM. Grades K - fifth grade are welcome. For more information please contact **Mary Ann Smith**.



YOUTH GROUP MEETS ~ Sunday nights from 5:30 - 7:30 PM. All students in 6th-12th grade are welcome. Please contact **Cody McCreary** for more information.

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN THE MISSION!

GUARDIANS OF THE LIGHT

A FAITH AWAKENS

When: July 13-15 | 6:00-8:00 PM

Where: Hazel Green United Methodist Church
14131 Hwy 231/431 N | Hazel Green, AL 35750

- Train in the Word
- Defend the Truth
- Shine His Light

SCAN TO REGISTER!

"The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness will not overcome it."
— John 1:5



SCAN TO GIVE ~ To make it more convenient and easier. If you'd like to give online please scan this QR Code to go straight to our Tithely.

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Sunday Worship Times 8:30 AM Traditional, 10:30 AM Contemporary
Sunday School Classes for All Ages 9:45 AM

Rev. Matthew Smith, Senior Pastor
Craig Carodine, Contemporary Worship Leader
Marla Jenkins, Director of Traditional Music
Jonathan Willis, Accompanist

Steve Schneider, Organist
Cody McCreary, Director of Youth Ministries
Kelley Hawkins, Office Administrator
Paige Peil, Director of Child Enrichment Center



Traditional Worship May 17, 2026