

This coming week in the life of the church

Today 5/24

9am Worship

Monday 5/25

****Church office closed**Happy Memorial Day****

5pm Baseball Practice

5:30pm Soccer Practice

Tuesday 5/26

5pm Baseball Practice

5:30pm Soccer Practice

6pm Disciple 1

7pm Boy Scouts

Wednesday 5/27

9am Psalm Sisters Bible Study

10:30am Fitness Class

5:30pm Soccer & Baseball Practice

Thursday 5/28

5:30pm Baseball & Soccer Practice

7pm Boy Scout Committee Meeting

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings to God~

All that we have comes from God; we are caretakers of what belongs to Him. As an act of faith, we return a portion of God's provision for the growing and continuation of His work. There is an offering plate as you enter for tithes and offerings, you can send them through our website, or they may be mailed to the church office.



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LOVIN' JESUS  LOVIN' YOU

May 24, 2026



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Order of Worship for May 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday

Prelude (song/s)

Welcome

***Opening Songs of Praise:** "How Great Thou Art" vs 1&2
UMH #77

"We Have Come Into This House"

***Responsive Reading:** Psalm 104: 24-35 UMH #827

Liturgist: Emma Myers

One: O Lord, how manifold are your works!

Many: In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

One: Yonder is the sea, great and wide,

Many: creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.

One: There go the ships, and Leviathan whom you formed to play in it.

Many: These all look to you, to give them their food in due season.

One: When you give to them, they gather it;

Many: when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

One: When you hide your face, they are dismayed;

Many: when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

One: When you send forth your spirit, they are created;

Many: and you renew the face of the ground.

One: May the glory of the Lord endure for ever, may the Lord rejoice in his works,

Many: who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke!

One: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

Many: I will praise to my God while I have being.

One: May my meditation be pleasing to the Lord in whom I

rejoice.

Many: Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more!

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul!

Many: Praise the Lord!

***Scripture:** Galatians 5: 16-26

Discipleship Time: Pastor Jim

Prayer Song: "Spirit Song" UMH #347

Pastoral Prayer: Pastor Jim

Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Message: Pastor Jay

***Doxology** (UMH #95)

***Prayer of dedication**

Holy Spirit, You came like wind and fire, breathing new life into Your people. Come again among us today.

As we offer these gifts to You, we also offer our lives- our desires, our words, our relationships, and our daily walk.

Form in us the fruit that reflects Jesus Christ, so that our church may become a living witness to Your renewing presence in the world. Use these offerings for Your kingdom and for the healing of Your people.

In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

***Closing Song of Praise:** "Shout to the Lord"

***Benediction**

*** = Stand as able**

****Headsets to assist with hearing during the service are available from any usher****

Altar flowers given by Dan & Sue Homes in honor of their 38th wedding anniversary.

Galatians 5:16-26

So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever^[a] you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. ¹⁹ The acts of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; ²⁰ idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions ²¹ and envy; drunkenness, orgies, and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. ²⁴ Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.