

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION – Pastor Amy Barr

PRAYER OF CONFESSION – Pastor Amy Barr

CLOSING HYMN OF DEDICATION
“Come, Thou Almighty King” #61

BENEDICTION – Pastor Amy Barr

CHORAL BENEDICTION – The Chancel Choir
“Into His Loving Care”

“Into your loving care, into your keeping, Lord, you are everywhere, take us we pray.
Into your loving care, into your keeping, Lord, you are everywhere, take us we pray.
Amen.”

POST-SERVICE MUSIC

The Offering Plates are in the front and the back of the church. You may leave your offering before or after the service.

Offering Received Last Week: May 10, 2026

General Fund	\$1,266
Attendance	28

Pianist: Donna Ufferman

Guitarist: Mike Emler

Chancel Choir Members: Sharon Crego, Deb Hartong, Shaun Hartong, Terry Houston, Sandie King, Heather Kopycinski, Dianne Moreland, Gayle Oberlitner, Carol Stoye, Dave Ufferman, Donna Ufferman, Brenda Veltre, Robin White

Choir Director: Deb Sykes

Bell Ringers: Aubree, Gavin and Tanner White

Acolytes: Gavin and Tanner White

Sound Technician: Shaun Hartong

“Button Pusher”: Dennis Sykes

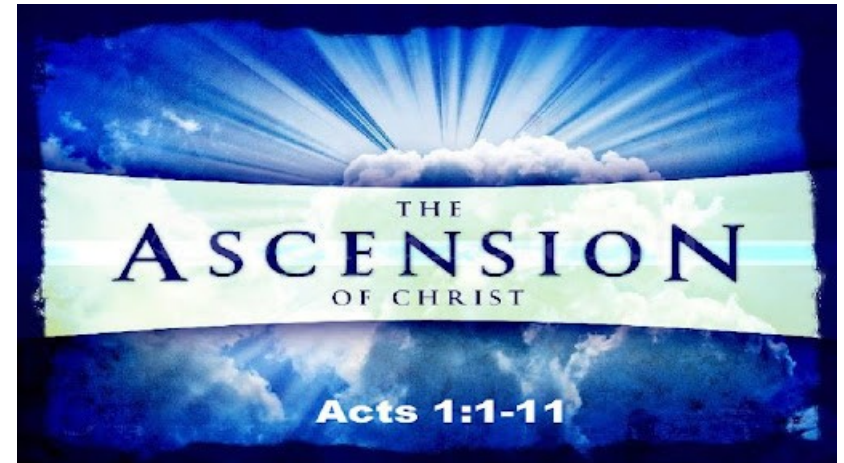
Pastor: Pastor Amy Barr

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**WELCOME TO THE
CENTERBURG
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**



“The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.”

May 17, 2026

Welcome to
The Centerburg United Methodist Church
Sunday, May 17, 2026
Seventh Sunday of Easter/Ascension of the Lord

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GATHERING MUSIC

CHORAL INTROIT – The Chancel Choir
“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”

“Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – Dianne Moreland

CALL TO WORSHIP – Dianne Moreland
(Psalm 47, selected verses)

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

CONGREGATION: For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome; a great king over all the earth.

Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

CONGREGATION: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

OPENING HYMN

(Please stand as you are able.)

(See insert)

“Shout to the Lord” #2074

JOYS AND CONCERNS – Pastor Amy Barr

MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER – Pastor Amy Barr

CHILDREN’S MOMENT – Pastor Amy Barr

SCRIPTURE READING – John Thatcher
Luke 24:44-53 “What Jesus’ Followers Must Do”

“He said to them, ‘This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the

Psalms.’ Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, ‘This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

“The Ascension of Jesus”

“When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.”

PRAYER HYMN

(Please remain seated.)

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” #327

OFFERTORY PRAYER – Pastor Amy Barr

CHORAL ANTHEM – The Chancel Choir
“The Lily of the Valley”
Johnny Cash

(Donna Ufferman on the piano, Mike Emler on the guitar)

“I have found a friend in Jesus, He’s everything to me, he’s the fairest of ten thousand to my soul; the Lily of the Valley, in Him alone I see all I need to cleanse and make me fully whole. In sorrow He’s my comfort, in trouble He’s my stay, He tells me every care on Him to roll. Hallelujah! He’s the Lily of the Valley, the Bright and Morning Star, He’s the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.

He all my grief has taken, and all my sorrows borne, in temptation he’s my strong and mighty tower; I have all for him forsaken, and all my idols torn from my heart, and now he keeps me by his power. Though all the world forsake me, and Satan tempts me sore, through Jesus I shall safely reach the goal. Hallelujah! He’s the Lily of the Valley, the Bright and Morning Star, He’s the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.

He will never, never leave me, nor yet forsake me here, while I live by faith and do His blessed will; a wall of fire about me, and I’ve nothing now to fear, with His manna He my hungry soul shall fill. Then sweeping up to glory to see His blessed face, where rivers of delight shall ever roll. Hallelujah! He’s the Lily of the Valley, the Bright and Morning Star, He’s the fairest of ten thousand to my soul.”

MESSAGE – Pastor Amy Barr

(Message based on Acts 1:1-11 “Jesus Is Taken to Heaven”)