

# Hillsdale First United Methodist Church

May 17, 2026

11:00 am

## Welcome!

**Greeting / Grace / Breakfast**

**Introduction / Opening**

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Songs**..... Come, Now Is the Time to Worship  
Ancient of Days

**Scripture Reading** ..... Philippians 2:5-11

<sup>5</sup> Let the same mind be in you  
that was in Christ Jesus,

<sup>6</sup> who, though he existed in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be grasped,

<sup>7</sup> but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
assuming human likeness.

And being found in appearance as a human,

<sup>8</sup> he humbled himself  
and became obedient  
to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.

<sup>9</sup> Therefore God exalted him  
even more highly

and gave him the name  
that is above every other name,

<sup>10</sup> so that at the name given to Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth  
and under the earth,

<sup>11</sup> and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**Song** ..... Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

**Video** ..... Jesus Goes to Heaven

**Sermon Text** ..... Acts 1:1-11

<sup>1</sup> In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and teach <sup>2</sup> until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup> After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup> While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

<sup>6</sup> So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup> He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." <sup>9</sup> When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup> They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

**Message**..... E.T. Goes Home  
**Song** ..... There Is a Redeemer  
**Prayer / Lord's Prayer**  
**Announcements / Offering / Prayer of Dedication**  
**Closing** ..... He Reigns  
**Blessing**

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**MEETINGS AND EVENTS THIS WEEK**

- Worship 9:30 am Sunday, May 17 In person – Sanctuary / Online
  - Worship with breakfast 11:00 am Sunday, May 17 In person – Fellowship Hall
  - Worship Committee 1:00 pm Tuesday, May 19 In person – Lounge
  - Bible Study 10:30 am Wednesday, May 20 In person – Lounge / Zoom
  - Choir rehearsal 6:30 pm Thursday, May 21 In person – Music Room
  - Worship 9:30 am Sunday, May 24 In person – Sanctuary / Online
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**NEXT BREAKFAST: June 21**  
**Please come again, and invite a friend!**

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**COMING THIS SUMMER!**

*Joyful Noise!*

A Musical Experience for kids entering  
**GRADES 2–8 in the fall**

**JULY 13–16 • 9:00 am–1:00 pm**

**Register by June 26**




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