



HICKORY RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Bulletin
May 22, 2022

**Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 22, 2022**

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER¹

In the peace of the risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
that our risen Savior may grant us victory over all our
enemies, seen and unseen,
that he may crush beneath our feet
the prince of darkness and all evil powers,
that he may raise us up and set us with him in heaven,
that he may fill us with the joy of his holy and
life-giving resurrection,
that he may provide through us for those who lack
food, work, and shelter...
that by his love, wars and famine may cease
through all the earth.
that isolated and persecuted churches find
fresh strength in the gospel,
that all those who have gone before us in the faith of Christ
may find refreshment, light, and peace,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*HYMN

Come, Thou Almighty King

UMH 61

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

Almighty God, who does freely pardon all who repent and turn
to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of
redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from
an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ
Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

All offer prayers of confession in silence.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS³

May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE & 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

OFFERATORY PRAYER & OFFERTORY

Each Sunday we collect loose change that will be given to a designated mission. The mission for this month is Senior Services Meals on Wheels. Please contribute if you feel led.

*DOXOLOGY

**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 uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**



- 1 The king's heart is a stream of water in the hand of the LORD; he turns it wherever he will.
- 2 All deeds are right in the sight of the doer, but the LORD weighs the heart.
- 3 To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.
- 4 Haughty eyes and a proud heart—the lamp of the wicked—are sin.
- 5 The plans of the diligent lead surely to abundance, but everyone who is hasty comes only to want.
- 6 The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a fleeting vapor and a snare^[a] of death.
- 7 The violence of the wicked will sweep them away because they refuse to do what is just.
- 8 The way of the guilty is crooked, but the conduct of the pure is right.
- 9 It is better to live in a corner of the housetop than in a house shared with a contentious wife.
- 10 The souls of the wicked desire evil; their neighbors find no mercy in their eyes.
- 11 When a scoffer is punished, the simple become wiser; when the wise are instructed, they increase in knowledge.
- 12 The Righteous One observes the house of the wicked; he casts the wicked down to ruin.
- 13 If you close your ear to the cry of the poor, you will cry out and not be heard.
- 14 A gift in secret averts anger, and a concealed bribe, strong wrath.
- 15 When justice is done, it is a joy to the righteous but dismay to evildoers.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION⁴

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out upon us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture, our hearts and minds may be opened to know the things that pertain to life and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SCRIPTURE FOR MESSAGE

John 14:23-29

²³ Jesus answered him, “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵ “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate,^[a] the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur you may believe.



Holy Bible

CALL: The Word of God for the People of God.

RESPONSE: **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE “Mission-Critical Parting Words” Pastor Craig

*HYMN *Shall We Gather at the River* UMH 723

DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

1. *United Methodist Book of Worship*, p. 397.
2. *The Book of Common Worship*, 1946.
3. *United Methodist Book of Worship*, p. 475.
4. <https://prayerist.com/prayer/illuminationumc.html>

PRAYER REQUESTS

All Military Personnel and All First Responders

The people in Ukraine

Michelle Barker	Friend to Dianne Raynor
Iris Bennett	Sister-in-law to Kay Huneycutt
Brooke Blevins	Friend to Dianne Raynor
Wait Frye	Cousin to Pat Bennett
Ron Fulp	705 Meadowlark Dr., Apt. B, King 27021
Athelene Fulton	Aunt to Margie Gordy
Ray Gordy	Brother to Billy Gordy
Bruce Hall	Friends to Keith & Martha White
Betsey Harper	Cousin to Becky Montgomery
John Harris	Friend to Sandy Stomean
Cathy Hrestak	Cousin to Joe Bennett
Rick Lane	Husband to Janice Lane
Scott Lane	Son to Janice Lane
Janice Lane	
Tommy Lawson	215 Old Conrad Farm Rd, Thomasville 27360
Wanda Lingle	Cancer Treatments
Alan Martin	Friend of Harold Kincaid
Tappy McMillian	Sister-in-law to Sara Overton
Gay Moorefield	Friend in neighborhood
Johnny Ogburn	Brother to Sara Overton
Sarah Overton	6155 Stanleyville Dr., Rural Hall, NC 27045
Carrol Roseberry	P.O. Box 248, Germanton, NC 27019
Donna Sims	Friend to Margie Gordy
Richard Thomas	Cousin to Lawson Family
Mark Wall	Friend to Margie Gordy
Debbie Weeden	Daughter-in-law to Becky Weeden
Christian Willard and Family	
Nancy Wimpish	Cousin to Lawson Family
Irene Wright	Aunt to Harold Kincaid

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Breakfast for Supper Fundraiser, Friday, June 3, 4:30-6:30 pm.

Administrative Council meets Tuesday, June 7 at 7 pm.

The **United Methodist Women** meet at 3 p.m. June 10.

Church Picnic, Sunday, June 12, 4 to 7 pm. Hamburgers and hot dogs and homemade ice cream.

WELCOME FROM HICKORY RIDGE

We've been waiting for you! We believe that every person who comes into this special fellowship is sent by God, himself. Above all else, we want to express Christ's love for you with genuine, heartfelt warmth. We are eager to know you, and we are excited to share with you the marvelous ways God is working in our church and in our lives. It will not take long to discover that this is truly a family, rich in the relationships that matter most. Our hearts, our doors, and our minds are open. If you have been thinking, praying, searching for a place to belong, we say to you, "Welcome home!"

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

At Hickory Ridge United Methodist Church, our purpose is to communicate God's Word through evangelism, to provide fellowship and community to believers, to educate God's people through discipleship, to demonstrate God's love through service, and to celebrate God's presence in worship.

CHURCH INFORMATION

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