



HICKORY RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Worship Bulletin
May 28, 2023

Pentecost Sunday
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PRE-SERVICE PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

Like the disciples, we gather in this space,
united by our relationship with the Risen Christ.

We come ready to receive what God has to give.

Just as tongues of fire descended on the disciples,

We receive the gift of the Spirit's power and inspiration.

Just as the resurrected Christ breathed the Spirit onto the
disciples,

We receive the gift of the Spirit's peace and wisdom.

As the lifegiving and peacemaking Holy Spirit blazes through
us today,

**We receive the gift of the Spirit's fire that unites us
as the Body of Christ. Amen.**

*HYMN *Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 550

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

Almighty God,

who sent the promised Holy Spirit

to fill disciples with willing faith:

We confess that we resist the work of your Spirit among us,

that we are slow to serve you

and reluctant to spread the good news of your love.

God, have mercy on us.

Forgive our divisions

and by your Spirit draw us together.

Create in us a desire to do your will

and be your faithful people

for the sake of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

A moment for silent prayer and reflection

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 & OFFERATORY

*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!



- ²⁴ O LORD, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
- ²⁵ There is the sea, great and wide;
creeping things innumerable are there,
living things both small and great.
- ²⁶ There go the ships
and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.
- ²⁷ These all look to you
to give them their food in due season;
²⁸ when you give to them, they gather it up;
when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹ When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.
- ³⁰ When you send forth your spirit, they are created,
and you renew the face of the ground.
- ³¹ May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
may the LORD rejoice in his works—
- ³² who looks on the earth and it trembles,
who touches the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³ I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
- ³⁴ May my meditation be pleasing to him,
for I rejoice in the LORD.
- ³⁵ Let sinners be consumed from the earth,
and let the wicked be no more.
Bless the LORD, O my soul.
Praise the LORD!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION³

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of
our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

[N]o one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, ⁵ and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. ¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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

RESPONSE: **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE	“The Spirit and The Body”	Pastor Craig
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*HYMN	<i>O Spirit of the Living God</i>	UMH 539
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DISMISSAL AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Focus for May: Illegal drug use in our community.

Bible verse to remember: 1 Peter 5:8 – “Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour.”

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Breakfast for Supper Fundraiser, Friday, June 2, 4:30 – 6:30 pm.

The Administrative Council meets Tuesday, June 6, at 7:00 pm.

United Women in Faith (UWF) meet Friday, June 9 at 2:00 pm.

Church Picnic, Sunday, June 11, 4:00-7:00 pm. Menu will be Hamburgers, hotdogs, dessert, beverage. Make plans to attend!



MEMORIAL DAY



REMEMBER AND HONOR

1. Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, November 2022.
2. Scott Aniol, “Prayer of Confession on Pentecost Sunday,” Artistic Theologian (June 9, 2019), <https://artistictheologian.com/2019/06/09/prayer-of-confession-on-pentecost-sunday>.
3. <https://prayerist.com/prayer/illuminationumc>

PRAYER REQUESTS

All Military Personnel and All First Responders

The people in Ukraine

Kathy Barker	Friend to Dianne Raynor
Iris Bennett	Sister-in-law to Kay Huneycutt
Joe Bennett	Cancer Treatment
Melissa Brown	Daughter of Maria Rogers
James Brunk	Friend to Billy and Margie Gordy
David Conrad	Cousin to Harold Kincaid
Fay Dillon	6065 Germanton Rd, Winston-Salem 27105
Delinda Dunlap-Ryan	Friend to Emily Kincaid
Bobby and Shirley Griffin	Neighbors to Doug and Dianne Raynor
Cathy Hrestak	Cousin to Joe Bennett
Loy Kennedy	Heart problems
Rick Lane	Husband to Janice Lane
Scott Lane	Son to Janice Lane
Janice Lane	
Amber Lewis	Granddaughter to Wanda Manning
Wanda Lingle	Cancer Treatments
David Linville	Friend to Harold Kincaid
Clara Long	1905 Emorywood Road, Rural Hall, 27045
Kristy Long	Daughter to Clara Long
Mary Ann	Friend to Margie Gordy
Traviss Mabe	Cousin to Janice Lane
Freddie Masencup	Friend to Sara Overton
Irene Mayo	Sister-in-law to Sara Overton
Tappy McMillan	Sister-in-law to Sara Overton
Debbie Miller	Friend to Dianne Raynor
Noah Nieves	Son to Anthony and Brooke Nieves
Carrol Roseberry	2012 Twin Lakes Ct., East Bend, NC 27018
Becky Shelton	Sister to Billy Gordy
Richard and Becky Thomas	Cousin to Lawson Family
Christian Willard and Family	
Maxine Wood	Mother to Annette Wood

Shut-ins

Martha Collins, Mallard Ridge, 9420 N NC Hwy 150 , Clemmons 27012
Ron Fulp, 705 Meadowlark Drive, Apt. B, King, NC 27021
Betty Martin, Mallard Ridge, 9420 N NC Hwy 150, Clemmons 27012
Judy Scudder, Bradford Village, 602 Piney Grove Rd, Kernersville 27284
Barbara White, 1294 Priddy Road, King, NC 27021

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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Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11:15 a.m.

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