

ST. JOHN'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
"Bringing People to Christ and Christ to People"

May 24, 2026

9:45 a.m.

Pentecost Sunday

PRELUDE (*Please prepare your hearts and minds for worship.*)

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

WELCOME – *A hearing assistance system and large print materials are available. Please see an usher.*

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (**Please rise in body or spirit.*)

Leader: A new day has begun.

People: Hope wins!

Leader: A fresh start is granted.

People: Faith wins!

Leader: Today you have the opportunity to do something new.

People: Hope wins!

Leader: Christ is entering your life in a new way.

People: Faith wins!

Leader: Come, let us worship God, who is inviting us into life in a new way, a way that transcends death, a way of hope and faith.

People: Love wins! Let us worship Christ, who overcame death to give us new life!

(written by Rev. Mindi and posted on Rev-o-lution. <http://rev-o-lution.org/>)

***HYMN Every Time I Feel the Spirit**

UMH 404

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 12:3b-1

Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. ⁷Now to each one the manifestation of

the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines. ¹²Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***BLESSING THE OFFERING**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

UMH 881

***GLORIA PATRI**

UMH 71

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN Lord I Want to be A Christian (vs 1,2,4) UMH 402

MESSAGE "What and Why?"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMORIAL DAY PRESENTATION Roger Vandegrift

***BENEDICTION**

***HYMN America the Beautiful UMH 696**

EXTINGUISHING OF ALTAR CANDLES

POSTLUDE

**Music Director: Mike Nelson
Videographer: Roger Vandegrift
Liturgist: Buddy Pennewell**

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☞ ANNOUNCEMENTS ☞

There will be a St. John's United Methodist Church, Church Conference after the Worship Service on May 31 to vote on an increase in salary and benefits for Pastor Shannon as she becomes a full-time pastor assigned only to St. John's and the Salisbury University Wesley Foundation.

FAMILY FUN NIGHTS MEETING – Today after the Service

GOD'S KITCHEN – May 30 – Please plan to arrive by 9:00 a.m.

YARD AND FOOD SALE to benefit Missions Team – June 13

Please start gathering items to donate and mark your calendars for the work date of Friday, June 12.

BIBLE STUDY – Meets on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.

OUTSIDE CHURCH SIGN – Please see Roger to donate.

FIRST BAPTIST FOOD BANK – Requests include mini ravioli or any Chef Boyardee products, soups, grape jelly, boxed juices, toilet paper, canned corn and canned beans. Donations due the first Sunday of the month.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST FAMILY SUPPORT – Requests include: rice, beans, corn flour, vegetable oil, sugar, spaghetti noodles and sauce, and feminine hygiene products. There are plastic containers on the far side of the social hall for donations.

PRAYER CHAIN – Call or text Pat Kern at 443-783-6423

NEWSLETTER – Submit information by the 20th of the month to Paul Nelson at pnelson37@gmail.com

SOCIAL HOUR – See Buddy Pennewell or Cathy Grim to help.