



First United Methodist Church of Carson City

May 19, 2024 11:00

Pentecost

Pastor Kevin Dotts

Lay Reader: Terri Gagnier

Chancel Choir Director: Judy Monson

Hosanna Handbell Choir Director: Michelle Powers

Pianist/Organist: Katie Cardoza

Organist: Nancy Mielke

Choral Introit *Send Me, Lord*

Welcome

Opening Hymn *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* #334

Opening Prayer

ONE:

Beloved of God, pay attention. Did you notice? There are dry bones all around us. In our neighborhoods, our workplaces, our schools, our community and nation and world. They pop up wherever people are parched for love and dignity, provision and flourishing. We notice them, and we wonder:

ALL:

Will these bones live?

ONE:

Pay attention. Can you hear it? So many of us carry dry bones that clank around in our hearts. Dreams that are dying. Gifts that are languishing. Hopes left undernourished and neglected. Loneliness that eats away at our sense of connection with one another until we wonder:

ALL:

Can these bones live?

ONE:

Pay attention. Can you feel it? The Holy Spirit breathes among us. Breathe in love. Breathe in provision. Breathe in connection and flourishing. Because the Spirit never quits breathing among us, assuring us:

ALL:

These bones will live.

ONE:

Pay attention. Can you sense it? God is always putting us back together. In dreams of abundance and visions of cooperation, in the cacophony of voices who share and receive the good news in their own languages, the Spirit revives us and restores us, reminding us:

ALL:

These bones live, because Love dwells among us, now and always.

Thanks be to God!

Passing the Peace

ONE: Peace be with you!

ALL: And also with you!

ONE: Let us pass the peace of Christ with one another.

Scripture Reading *Acts 2:1-21 NIV*

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you;

listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

“In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.
Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.
I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.
The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.
And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

Handbell Anthem *I Have the Joy*

Message

Hymn of Response *Spirit Song #347*

Praises and Prayers

Offering Intro

Handbell Offertory *Bell Prayer*

Prayer/Doxology *Praise God from whom All Blessings Flow #95*

Closing Hymn *Spirit of God vs. 1, 2, 5 #2117*

Blessing

Choral Benediction *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

Postlude

Red White & Blue BBQ

Stewardship Committee is hosting a BBQ May 26, after the 2nd service. The meat will be provided-bring a dish to share if you can. To assist or for questions see Dave Mason, Tannis Causey or Kathy Combs. Free, but donations accepted! Let's kick off the summer together!

Tai Chi Class Openings

The Tuesday, noon Tai Chi class is open to new students. To enroll, attend Tuesday, May 24. Class is free to members/constituents. Contact the office or Rev. Dixie Jennings-Teats for details.

Small Blessings Preschool Registration

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year at Small Blessings is open. www.smallblessingsumc.org/

VBS 2024: June 24-28

Register as a volunteer or student now! Contact the office or see the website for more information!

Youth Group Summer Break

The youth group (grades 6-12) will meet for Sunday school during the 9:30 service through May. Over the summer youth will stay in church to attend the 9:30 service.

United Women in Faith Scholarships

The UWF is offering scholarships to members/constituents of 1st UMC who will be attending an accredited institution of higher learning in the fall of 2024.

Banghart Scholarships

The Banghart Scholarship is available to members/constituents completing post-secondary education (degree, certification, etc.). Applications are available in the office.

Information Session on the 400 W. King St. Building

Information on the status of the 400 W. King St. building will be presented at an all-church meeting on Monday, June 10, at 6:30 pm in the church sanctuary.

Please mark this meeting on your calendar and plan to attend. Information presented during the meeting will include the current tenant and financial situation of the building as well as ramifications of possibly selling the building. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and hear discussion on why a resolution has been proposed to sell the building. How the proceeds from the sale of the building could be managed will also be presented and discussed.

It is important that you have information to consider the situation with the 400 W. King St. building. Church members will be asked to vote on the resolution to sell the building on July 1 at an all-church conference.

May Artist in Residence

Jenny Schnabel will be displaying work in the Wesley Room through the month of May. Be sure to stop by and check out her work!

Wesley Room Artist in Residence Openings

We have many open months coming up to showcase your work! Work is displayed in the Wesley Room for the month. Artists are welcome to list their work for sale. Contact the office or Jenny Schnabel to sign up!

www.carsoncitymethodist.com/events for our full calendar

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