



FIFTH SUNDAY

After Pentecost

Farmingdale United Methodist Church

Sunday, June 28, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

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Rev. Catherine Schuyler, Pastor
David Majoros, D.M.A., Director of Music
Larry Bing, Liturgist

GATHERING *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*, Atkinson

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PRELUDE

Welcome, v. 1

W&S #3152

*CALL TO WORSHIP

People of God, have you heard God's call?

We have heard and responded.

Disciples of Christ, will you follow Jesus?

We will follow where he leads.

Saints of the church, have you known the Spirit's blessing?

**We have been touched with love by the Holy Spirit and
are here to worship in joy and praise.**

*HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise

UMH #116

*INVOCATION

Our world, O Lord, is filled with insecurity and uncertainty; be our rock and strong foundation. Our world, O God, is cacophonous, with shouts and murmurs, noise and propaganda coming from all sides; speak through the noise to the depths of our hearts. Our world, O Savior, struggles in pain, in fear, in despair; use us as instruments of your love and justice that your grace may be known in all times and places. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Open our ears, Lord, to hear your word. Open our hearts, Lord, to accept your peace. Open our lives, Lord, to receive your Spirit and manifest your love in all we do. In Christ's name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 22:1-14

PSALTER

Psalm 13

UMH p. 746

♪ **Response: Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.** ♪

How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever?

How long will you hide your face from me?

How long must I bear pain in my soul,

and have sorrow in my heart all day long?

How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

♪ **R: Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.** ♪

Consider and answer me, O Lord my God!

Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death.

and my enemy say, "I have prevailed";

my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.

But I trusted in your steadfast love;

my heart shall rejoice in your salvation;

I will sing to the Lord, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

♪ **R: Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.** ♪

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 6:12-23

ANTHEM *God Bless America*, Irving Berlin

Barbara Grabowski-Schmidt will sing the introductory verse.

The congregation is invited to join her in singing the familiar refrain.

***GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 10:40-42

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

***HYMN**

In This Time of Great Reflection

to the tune of UMH #340

In this time of great reflection on two hundred fifty years,
We remember, as a nation, times we've prospered, times of tears.
"We shall be," a preacher told us, "as a city on a hill" —
not to praise us but to warn us: We've a duty to fulfill.

Here is what holds us together: Mercy, love, community.
We're to seek to care for neighbors in a just society.
If we fail to help the needy and to build a land that's just,
we will simply be a by-word as the world looks on at us.

We recall our nation's story. Keep us honest, God above!
In our quest for wealth and glory, we have injured ones you love.
Through enslavement, through displacement, we have chosen ways of sin.
We've been violent. We've stayed silent. So our light of love stays dim.

Will we work for racial justice? Will we turn from fear and hate?
What is now the public witness that you call us to create?
As we celebrate our country, help us, Lord, to understand:
All of us must share the bounty and the goodness of the land.

In this time, O God, restore us to the land we're called to be —
where all people here among us know your blest community.
May we seek to be that city, not with pride but as a prayer.
May we love and serve you humbly, in our land and everywhere.

SERMON

Jesus Loves the Little Children

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *from Romans 8* UMH #887
PRAYER HYMN *Sanctuary* FWS #2164
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
SILENT PRAYER
PASTORAL PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD
OFFERTORY *The Family Prayer Song* FWS # 2188
 Congregational Hymn

***DOXOLOGY** UMH #94

***PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**
 We offer our gifts, O God, as we offer our hearts and our lives. Consecrate them by the power of your Spirit that they may be vessels of love to the world, in Christ's name. Amen.

***HYMN** *Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life* UMH #427

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** *Sent Out in Jesus Name* FWS #2184

Our worship has ended; our service begins.
 (*) Please stand as you are comfortable.

WELCOME, VISITORS!

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. There's a Visitor Center in the room to the right of the sanctuary with information and a welcome packet. If you'd like to share your name and address, you may use the QR code, or sign the guest book in the Visitor Center.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Trustees – Wednesday, July 1 at 7:00 p.m.
- Finance Committee – Tuesday, July 14 at 7:00 p.m.

PRAYER GROUPS AND BIBLE STUDIES

- Wednesday Bible Study, 10:30 a.m. via Zoom
- Friday Ladies' Small Group, 7:30 p.m. via Zoom
- Saturday Men's Bible Study, 8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. via Zoom

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**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

We'll share our prayer concerns aloud in worship. The ushers have microphones to bring to you to share. If you'd prefer, you may add a written prayer request to the offering plate.

### **CONCERNS & COMMITMENTS:**

Whenever the gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, the Spirit of God is at work. If you have been touched by God and desire to make a commitment to Christ and to His Church or you would like to have the pastor pray with/for you, please speak with her.

## **NEWSLETTER BIZ**

The July newsletter, *The Messenger*, will be published early this week. If you have news or information to share, please get it to Rita Coughlin or to Karen Newman. If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, let the office know. Hard copies will be in the transept next Sunday.

## **COFFEE HOUR HELP NEEDED**



We need someone to help at Coffee Hour on the third Sunday of each month. You will be working with an experienced host, with directions posted, and all supplies are provided. Please help us maintain this ministry.

See Karen Gierie Newman [newman1309@aol.com](mailto:newman1309@aol.com) Thank you!

**Service is In-Person or on Zoom**

**ZOOM:**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5166943424?pwd=TWtTVElWUHNXbjVNcnNMaG9wTVJrZz09>

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