



## **FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**Bulletin for the  
7th Sunday of Easter  
May 21st, 2023**

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

**ZOOM:**

**<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5166943424?pwd=TWtTVEIWUHNXbjVnNcnNMaG9wTVJrZz09>**

**Meeting ID: 5166943424 Password 11735**

**\*The YouTube option is no longer available. Please use Zoom instead.**

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Rev. Claire Hojung Wu, Pastor  
David Majoros, D.M.A., Director of Music  
Sharon Lensky, Liturgist

**GATHERING** “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” – Hayes/arranged by D.E. Wagner

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*PRELUDE** “Thine be the Glory” UMH #308 (vv. 1 & 3)  
+ Bringing the light of Christ into the sanctuary

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to God; sing praises to God’s name.

Let all the nations bow down to worship God.

**God is the rule over all creation.**

**God reigns over earth and the farthest heavens.**

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over all.

Listen to hear God’s mighty voice.

**This sanctuary is filled with God’s presence.**

**Here we receive power and strength from God.**

Here we pray together for God’s guidance.

The Holy Spirit empowers us to witness.

**God draws us together as one people.**

**We can experience eternity in the midst of time.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” UMH # 158

## SHARING GOD’S BLESSINGS WITH EACH OTHER

### INVOCATION

We worship you with joy, awesome God. Through times of trial and suffering, your love has sustained us. You have restored our self-confidence when we floundered in doubt and fear. You have been our protector through the wilderness. Meet us now in the particular situations each of us faces. Pour out your presence that we may be resources to one another, finding our oneness and our prime vocation in Jesus Christ. May our worship honor you and equip us to serve you. Amen.

### \*GLORIA PATRI

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, if we suffer, it is usually not because of our loyalty to Christ. When we are glad and shout for joy it is seldom because we want to celebrate your presence with us. We even forget to thank you when, by the power and strength you give us, we accomplish some cherished goal. Our lives are not focused on realizing your rule on earth, as in heaven. O God, receive our confession and help us to discipline ourselves in caring discipleship, in Jesus’ name. Amen.**



## ***OUR THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR MINISTRY:***

### **UPCOMING LITURGISTS:**

May 2023

28<sup>th</sup> – Karen Gierie Newman

### **COFFEE HOUR HOSTS**

5/21/23 – Jayme and Diane

5/28/23 – Rita and John

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **WELCOME, VISITORS!**

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today! If this is your first time with us, be sure to stop by the Visitor Center, in the room to the side of the Sanctuary, for a welcome packet and a gift! If you wish to receive our newsletter, please send us your contact information to [office@farmingdaleumc.org](mailto:office@farmingdaleumc.org) and visit our website [farmingdaleumc.org](http://farmingdaleumc.org).

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

Church Council – Monday, 5/22/23 at 7:00 pm

### **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 *come to the Altar after worship*, the pastor will meet with you for prayer.

### **WRITE PRAYER CONCERN AND JOY**

If you want to submit your prayer requests, we suggest you to write your prayer request upon your arrival at the sanctuary, and then pass it to the prayer basket during the prayer time. Thank you!

### **“VISION BEARERS”: LEADING INTO CHANGE FOR A NEW FUTURE AND RENEWING EXISTING CONGREGATIONS**

FUMC is looking for volunteers to join the "Vision Bearers." The group will explore ideas as we plan for the future of the church in our community. Our main goal is “Go into all the community and preach the gospel to every person we meet and make God's love real.” We will dream together, study, vision-process, and plan and implement the strategies to connect and invite our neighbors to share Christ's love. All are welcome. Anyone interested in joining this project team should contact Pastor Claire by Sunday, May 21.

### **SKIP NEWMAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS**

We are pleased to announce that FUMC will be accepting applications for the 2023 Skip Newman Scholarship. Applicants should be students who are graduating from high school and entering an institution of higher learning. Please contact the church office to request an application. You may return the application, along with the letter of reference via e-mail to the Church Office at [office@farmingdaleumc.org](mailto:office@farmingdaleumc.org). The deadline for receipt of applications is May 26, 2023.

### **EVENTS:**

- **Spring Into Action - Clean Up at Camp Quinipet** - May 26<sup>th</sup> – May 28<sup>th</sup>. All ages are invited to attend. See flyer on bulletin board, and contact Shanna Wurth if you are interested in attending.
- **Calling All Yard Sale Enthusiasts!!!** – FUMC will be holding a yard sale on **Saturday, June 3, 2023, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.** (Rain date Saturday, June 10). Come check out the huge variety of new, used & *VINTAGE* items! Volunteers are needed! Please see Sue Jones.

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For a link to view the service via on-line please visit [www.farmingdaleumc.org](http://www.farmingdaleumc.org)