

## WATCH BRIDGEPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ONLINE

The service is streamed live at 10:45 AM, on Sundays, and is archived online for later viewing as well. Share this with persons you know who are out of town or unable to attend our Worship Service in person. **Visit the Church Website** at [www.bridgeportumc.org](http://www.bridgeportumc.org) and click "Watch Online".

## REVIVE RECOVERY AT JOHNSON AVENUE WORSHIP AT 6:30 PM

Revive Recovery continues to meet each Wednesday evening at our Johnson Avenue campus. Revive Recovery is a program specifically for dealing with the troubles we face in this challenging culture and time. Revive Recovery is, in fact, for all hurts, habits, or hang-ups. Only 1 in 3 are there for substance issues. Sign up to help by preparing a light supper served at 6 PM. Sign up on bulletin board in the main entry.

## WOMEN IN FAITH RUMMAGE SALE

Spring cleaning? Good news! We are collecting items for the rummage sale. Please put your items in the gym entrance between 8-4 Monday through Friday. Please make sure items are clean and in working order and remove hangers. Please, no tires, electronics or paint. We will collect through May 29. Thank you for your help with this important mission project! If you would like to help sort and/or set up, please contact Cheryl Bramble. The rummage sale will be held early August. More information will come later. **Volunteers needed June 1 at 8:30 AM in the gym to help set up tables and clothing racks. Thanks!**

## INTERESTED IN FOSTER CARE...

With the theme of "Finding Beauty in Brokenness," representatives from multiple churches are coming to speak during our Sunday School hour on Sunday June 2 about the many ways in which you can advocate, support, and pray for our state's most vulnerable. All are welcome to attend. No RSVP required. Meet in the Parlor at 9:30 AM.

## MADRIGAL SINGERS OF CLARKSBURG

will be holding their Spring Concert with guests Maestri Vocale Bass on Monday May 20 at 7 PM at First UMC, Clarksburg. Admission is \$5.00, children under 12 free. All are Welcome!

## Weekly Devotional Reading

Sunday: Acts 2:1-4

Monday: Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday: Psalm 50:7-15

Wednesday: Exodus 20:8-11

Thursday: John 15:1-8

Friday: Romans 12:9-15

Saturday: I Peter 5:6-11

Breath Prayer this Week:

Dear God, thank you for providing the Holy Spirit as an advocate to support us when we don't have the words to say. Amen

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Adult Sunday School Classes are:  
Bread of Life SS/Library/9:30AM  
Faith, Family & Friends SS/Parlor/  
9:30AM

## SHEPHERDS CORNER COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

Our church collects items the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. If you would like to donate any non-perishable food items, cleaning products, laundry detergent, toothpaste, and shampoo, it will be of great help. Thank you.

## AVAILABLE SERVICES—ASK AN USHER FOR ASSISTANCE

**8:30 Service Childcare - infants-5 years,** Nursery, hallway by back Chapel  
**10:45 Service Childcare - infants-2 years,** Nursery, hallway by back Chapel  
**10:45 Service Childcare for 2, 3 & 4 yr. olds,** Educ. Bldg. - 1st room on right  
**Children's Bulletin** available on table in the back of the Sanctuary  
**10:45 Children's Church - ages 5-2<sup>nd</sup> grade,** Children's Church Room  
**Large Print Hymnals** at main entrance to the Sanctuary  
**Extra Copies of Our Newsletter,** "Steeple Talk" available in the Narthex  
**Prayer Cards** to indicate special concerns are located in the pew racks  
**Membership Directories** are available in the Church Office.

## SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

May 18, 2024

6:15 PM

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT  
GATHERING MUSIC Don Gardner  
\*HYMNS *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song* UMH 544  
*Spirit of the Living God* UMH 393  
\*INVOCATION  
\*THE LORD'S PRAYER  
MINISTRY STEWARDSHIP AND OPPORTUNITIES  
~ Use the e-giving tab on the website, mail in your donation, or place it in the baskets at the entryways.  
~ Please visit our website, [bridgeportumc.org](http://bridgeportumc.org), to register for twice weekly devotional e-mails from our pastors.  
THE WORD IN MUSIC *Spirit Blowing Through Creation* Marty Haugen  
\*SCRIPTURE LESSON *Acts 2:1-21*  
MESSAGE *Strangely Warmed* Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh  
\*HYMN OF RESPONSE *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* UMH 420  
PASTORAL PRAYER  
\*HYMN *Spirit of God* FWS 2117  
\*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD  
\*SENDING FORTH AND POSTLUDE

FWS-Faith We Sing Hymnal UMH-United Methodist Hymnal  
WS-Worship and Song Hymnal

Child Care is available for infants – 5 years old in the Nursery in the back hallway by the Chapel

\*Indicates standing

## SUNDAY WORSHIP @ JOHNSON AVENUE

May 19, 2024

9:45 AM

Gathering to Praise  
\*Scripture Choruses and Songs Jim Harris  
\*Prayer of Invocation and Invitation  
Growing in the Word  
The Word in Music  
\*Scripture *Acts 2:1-21*  
Today's Message *Strangely Warmed* Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh  
Glorifying God Through Communion and Response  
Holy Communion  
(This sacrament or "Holy Covenant" is a way of visibly remembering God's Sacrificial Love given in Christ Jesus and receiving anew His grace.)  
Going Forth to Share and Serve  
Ministry Stewardship and Opportunities  
\*Closing Song  
\*Benediction and Sending Forth  
\*Indicates standing

## BRIDGEPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

251 WORTHINGTON DRIVE, BRIDGEPORT, WV

May 19, 2024 † 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM



## THE DAY OF PENTECOST WORSHIP CELEBRATION

WE ARE COMMITTED TO THE VISION OF "MATTHEW 25"

We are a community of faith focused on being in ministry with and for the least, the last, the lonely, and the left out. Jesus said, "When you do it to the least of these, you do it unto me." (Matthew 25:40) This is our primary work. Please join us as we strengthen ourselves for the task in worship, prayer, and study and then go forth to serve in Matthew 25 Ministries.

GATHERING *Come Down, O Love Divine* Vaughan Williams  
*My Spirit's Gonna Shine* arr. Edwards

PRELUDE *Holy, Holy, Holy* arr. David Nevue  
As we gather, we are mindful of our Maplewood Worship Service.  
Today's leader is Jay Larry.

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND THE WORD  
HYMNS OF CELEBRATION *O Spirit of the Living God* UMH 539  
*Spirit of the Living God* UMH 393

\*CALL TO WORSHIP  
Reader: Spirit of God, in the beginning you moved over the waters.  
From your breath, all creation drew life.

**ALL: Come, Holy Spirit!**  
Reader: By your inspiration, the prophets spoke and acted in faith.  
You clothed them in power to be bearers of your Word.

**ALL: Come, Holy Spirit!**  
Reader: On the day of Pentecost, you came as fire to Jesus' disciples.  
You empowered them to declare God's deeds of power.

**ALL: Come, Holy Spirit!**  
Reader: On this day, come into our lives with the power of a mighty wind.  
Loosen our tongues to show forth your praise.

**ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

\*INVOCATION  
Reader: God of wind and flame, ignite a fire in our hearts on this Day of Pentecost, and fill us with your courage and power. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your people that our youth may have visions and our elders may dream dreams. Blow into our lives and renew us as people of faith, that we might spread the good news of your saving love,  
**ALL: through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**



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**\*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.**

SONG OF PRAISE *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* Doris Akers

**MINISTRY STEWARDSHIP AND OPPORTUNITIES**

- ~ Please fill out a prayer card if desired. A steward will collect them during the final hymn.
- ~ Use the e-giving tab on the website, mail in your donation, or place it in the baskets at the entryways.
- ~ Please visit our website, bridgeportumc.org to check for regular updates.
- (10:45 Children K-2nd Grade only may leave for Children's Church. Please meet with your leader in the back of the Sanctuary. Younger children see back of bulletin for locations of nurseries.)

**\*DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 94  
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!

**\*SCRIPTURE LESSON** *Acts 2:1-21*

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD IN MUSIC *Empty of Me* David Lantz

MESSAGE *Strangely Warmed* Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE** *Spirit of God* FWS 2117

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.  
We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.  
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.  
We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**RECOGNITION OF OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES: THE CLASS OF 2024**

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Jacob Barrick</i>     | <i>*Jordan Groves</i>           |                        |
| <i>Ryan Carr</i>         | <i>Preston Nestep</i>           | <i>Sunnie McCauley</i> |
| <i>Gabby Christie</i>    | <i>Adam Ness</i>                | <i>*Orlan Post</i>     |
| <i>*Caroline Deniker</i> | <i>Alex Ness</i>                | <i>Sarah Pavroznik</i> |
| <i>Clara Dadrill</i>     | <i>Matthew Ness</i>             | <i>Bella Siers</i>     |
| <i>Casey Fox</i>         | <i>Elijah Jones</i>             | <i>*Ella Sorine</i>    |
|                          | <i>Isaac Kidd</i>               | <i>Skylar Treece</i>   |
|                          | <i>*Annabelle Loma</i>          | <i>Broc Westfall</i>   |
|                          | <i>*Senior Seraphim Singers</i> |                        |



**A PRAYER FOR OUR GRADUATES**

God of truth and knowledge, by your wisdom we are taught the way and the truth.  
**Bless our graduates as they now finish their course of study.**  
We thank you for those who taught and worked beside them,  
and all who supported them along the way.  
**Walk with these graduates as they move forward in life.**  
Take away any anxiety and confusion of purpose.  
**Strengthen their many talents and skills,**  
instill in them a confidence in the future you plan,  
where energies may be gathered up and used for the good of all people;  
**for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**  
God of all might and power, we praise you for you forged your church in the fire of the Spirit, and breathed life into your people that we might be the body of Christ. We rejoice that our Lord came to rescue us from sin and to deliver us beyond the grave to a rebirth and newness of life.  
By your Spirit, baptize us again with your flame of faith, fill us with the breath of zeal, and send us forth into your world to live Christ's life in power and compassion.  
**ALL: Take us, O God, and shape us according to your will, in the service of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, now and forever. Amen.**

**\*HYMN** *On Pentecost They Gathered* Tune: ELLACOMBE

- 1. On Pentecost they gathered quite early in the day,  
A band of Christ's disciples, to worship, sing, and pray.  
A mighty wind came blowing, filled all the swirling air,  
And tongues of fire a-glowing inspired each person there.**
- 2. The people all around them were startled and amazed  
To understand their language, as Christ the Lord they praised.  
What universal message, what great good news was here?  
That Christ, once dead, is risen to vanquish all our fear.**
- 3. God pours the Holy Spirit on all who would believe,  
On women, men, and children who would God's grace receive.  
That Spirit knows no limit, bestowing life and power.  
The church, formed and reforming, responds in every hour.**
- 4. O Spirit, sent from heaven on that day long ago,  
Rekindle faith among us in all life's ebb and flow.  
O give us ears to listen and tongues aflame with praise,  
So folk of every nation glad songs of joy shall raise.**

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**\*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD**

**\*SENDING FORTH**

**\*POSTLUDE**

\*Indicates standing

**Those participating in the Service** - Tom Price - piano, organ; Chancel Choir; Handbell Choir; Seraphim Singers Seniors; Jordan Groves - piano; Garrett Friend and Orlan Post - guitar; Chris Broadwater—banjo; Tricia Price - fiddle

**Christian Sympathy to** Guy Gage on the death of his mother.

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK (May 19 - May 26)**

**SUNDAY**

8:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Bread of Life Sunday School	Library
9:30 AM	Faith Family Friends SS	Parlor
9:30 AM	WOW Children's SS (Pre K3-5th)	Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Youth Sunday School	Education Building
9:30 AM	Graduate Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
9:45 AM	Worship @ Johnson Ave.	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:45 AM	Maplewood Worship Service	Maplewood
10:45 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary

**MONDAY**

7:00 AM	AA Morning Meditation	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:00 AM	Preventicare	Nursery

**TUESDAY**

10:00 AM	Staff Meeting will not meet	Fowler Heritage Room
6:00 PM	Baccalaureate Service	Sanctuary

**WEDNESDAY**

6:30 PM	Revive Recovery	Johnson Ave. Campus
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir	Fellowship Hall

**THURSDAY**

7:00 AM	Men's Prayer and Coffee	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:00 AM	PreventiCare	Nursery
10:00 AM	Lectionary Class	Library
6:00 PM	Sweet Hour of Prayer Meeting	Johnson Ave. Campus
6:00 PM	Preschool Open House	Education Building

**FRIDAY**

7:00 AM	AA Morning Meditation	Johnson Ave. Campus
8:30 AM	Sister's Bible Study	

**SATURDAY**

6:15 PM	Saturday Evening Service	Sanctuary
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**SUNDAY, May 26**

8:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Sunday School	
9:45 AM	Worship @ Johnson Ave.	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:45 AM	Maplewood Worship Service	Maplewood
10:45 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary



**WONDERS OF WORSHIP**  
**Come Hear and See**  
**Under the**  
**Story Telling Tree**

"PENTECOST"

Ages Pre K3 - 5th Grade 9:30 -10:30 AM  
every Sunday!

9:30 AM gather in Sanctuary  
10:30 AM dismiss in Children's Church