

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** 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 have begun collecting items for the rummage sale on May 1. 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.

GRADUATION RECOGNITION We are recognizing the Class of 2024 on May 19th during our 10:45 AM Worship Service. If you know of a senior who has not received a letter from the church, please call the Church Office at 304.842.6284. Please email or drop off your senior photo and information by May 9th.

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 (9:30am) 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 9:30am.

Weekly Devotional Reading

Sunday: Joel 2:18-27

Monday: 2 Peter 3:14-18

Tuesday: Lamentations 3:22-24

Wednesday: Exodus 16:1-18

Thursday: 2 Kings 5:1-14

Friday: Psalm 139:1-12

Saturday: Timothy 3:14-17

Breath Prayer this Week:

Holy Father, thank you for guiding and strengthening us for the journey. Amen.

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH DISTRICT MEETING

There will be a meeting on May 18 here at BUMC. We will begin with breakfast in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM. The meeting will be in the Sanctuary from 10:00 AM to Noon. Lunch will follow in Fellowship Hall. The speaker will be the UWF President, Becky Adkins. All are welcome to come. See you there!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

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

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 5-2nd 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 4, 2024

6:15 PM

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

GATHERING MUSIC

*HYMN

Gather Us In

Tom Price

FWS 2236

*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, to register for twice weekly devotional e-mails from our pastors.

MUSICAL OFFERING

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 10:34-48

MESSAGE

No Partiality

Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

FWS 2223

HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN

Grace Alone

FWS 2162

*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 5, 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 10:34-48

Today's Message

No Partiality

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 5, 2024 † 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 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 MUSIC

PRELUDE

Lead, Kindly Light (LUX BENIGNA) arr. by Dale Wood

As we gather, we are mindful of our Maplewood Worship Service.

Today's leader is Jay Larry.

INTROIT

Psalms 23

Rollo Dilworth

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND THE WORD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Reader: Christ is risen!

ALL: Christ is risen indeed!

Reader: We have a message to preach to all.

ALL: Christ is risen.

Reader: Christ lived and preached love and liberation among us.

ALL: We are witnesses to his mighty acts.

Reader: Christ rose from the dead and appears to us still.

ALL: We rejoice in our living Savior.

Reader: Come; let us worship the God of love and life.

ALL: Alleluia! Praise our Easter God!

*INVOCATION

*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.**

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION *Grace Greater than Our Sin*

UMH 365



GIVE ONLINE

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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 **Sing We to Our King Above** (Tune: Easter Hymn)
Sing we to our King above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

*SCRIPTURE LESSON **Acts 10:34-48**

34 Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, 35 but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. 36 You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. 37 That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. 39 We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; 40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, 41 not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. 43 All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.' 44 While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. 45 The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, 46 for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 47 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' 48 So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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

ALL: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD IN MUSIC **This Gift Is Free** Fred Gramann

MESSAGE **No Partiality** Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh

*HYMN OF RESPONSE **One Bread, One Body** UMH 620

TAKING THE BREAD AND CUP

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed!
Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere ...

And so, with those who have sung the song of grace and hope in every time and place and with all the company of heaven, we lift our voices in praise to you:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holiness is the melody of who you are, Living God, ...

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we praise you not only with our lips, but with our lives:

**Jesus Christ, crucified, you called and claimed us,
risen, you have raised us,
coming again, you make all things new.
Even so, come Lord Jesus! Hallelujah!**

Even so, come and fill this feast, Holy Spirit, Spirit of Power, Spirit of Life.

Come upon us and these gifts of bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit, make us one in Christ, ...

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us.

Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN **Help Us Accept Each Other** (Tune: LANCASHIRE) UMH 560

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE **Carillon and Chorale on DARMSTADT**
(Christ is the World's True Light) by Raymond Haan

*Indicates standing

Those participating in the Service - Brett Miller - organist; Chancel Choir;
Piano - Tom Price, Nancy Steele; soloist - Fred Spicer

Christian Sympathy Ella Sorine on the death of her grandfather, Andrew Sorine.



BRIDGEPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh, Senior Pastor † Rev. Ben Randolph, Associate Minister
Rev. George Bramble, Rev. Jim Lang, Pastoral Care † Sarah Carr Parsons, Director of Music Ministry † Nathan and Tricia Price, Coordinators of Youth Ministry
Brett Miller, Organist † Jim Harris, Tom Price, Accompanists † Russ Francis, Treasurer
Kim Kapp, Jennifer Walker, Administrative Staff † Polly Steele, Director of Preschool
Becky Thornton, Director of Joyful Noise Afterschool Program
Jennifer Walker, W.O.W. Coordinator † Dan & Katherine Hughes, Seraphim Directors
Katherine Hughes, Jubilate Director † Jennifer Lawson, Cherub Choir Director
Dorothy Prunty, Denny Owens, Cathy Hamilton, Michael Moran, Facilities

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK (May 5 - May 12)

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
9:45 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
10:30 AM	Lydia Circle Meeting	Library
7:00 PM	Proverbs 31 Circle Meeting	Johnson Ave. Campus

TUESDAY

10:00 AM	Staff Meeting	Fowler Heritage Room
10:30 AM	Esther Ruth Circle Meeting	Bride's Room

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	Children's Chapel
6:00 PM	Sweet Hour of Prayer Meeting	Johnson Ave. Parsonage

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 12

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

"THE LOST COIN"

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

9:30 AM gather in Sanctuary
10:30 AM dismiss in Fellowship Hall