

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Celebration of Worship – *Fifth Sunday of Easter* – 5.14.17

PRELUDE.....*Chorale: Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme*.....E. Ray Peebles
Johann Sebastian Bach

[Sleepers, Wake, A Voice is Calling]

WORDS OF WELCOME & GREETING.....Rev. Wilkinson

INTROIT (8:30).....*Come, Join Our Cheerful Song*.....Ensemble
arr. Dale Wood

INTROIT (11:00).....*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*.....Wesley Bells
arr. Meredith Ball

CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION Rev. Wilkinson

† HYMN OF PRAISE“For the Beauty of the Earth”.....No. 92

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....No. 884.....Rev. Wilkinson

MUSICAL OFFERING.....“Lift thine eyes” from *Elijah*.....Women’s Ensemble
Felix Mendelssohn

† SCRIPTURE READING.....Ephesians 5:25-6:4.....Dr. Goad
New Testament, Page 238 in your Pew Bible

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† GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN.*

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**CHILDREN’S BLESSING.....Billie Tate

JOYS & CONCERNSDr. Day

MORNING PRAYERBishop William Hutchinson

III. Third, healthy families capture **M**emories.

IV. Fourth, healthy families verbally **I**nspire through encouragement.

V. Fifth, healthy families **L**ove unconditionally.

VI. Finally, healthy families **Y**ield to God.

† *HYMN OF INVITATION.....“O Lord, May ChurchNo. 695
and Home Combine”

*(During the singing of this hymn, those who wish to join the First Methodist family
are invited to come to the front of the church for reception and recognition.)*

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERSRev. Wilkinson

*We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ’s holy church, and bid you
welcome to the congregation of First United Methodist Church. With you, we
renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service,
and our witness.*

BENEDICTIONBishop William Hutchinson

SENDING FORTH....*God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again*Ensemble (8:30)
arr. Dale Wood Chancel Choir (11:00)

POSTLUDE.....*Fugue à la Gigue*.....E. Ray Peebles
Johann Sebastian Bach



Acolytes: Harper Hearron (8:30), Crew Chandler, Cannon Chandler (11:00)
Crucifer: Ellen Douglas (8:30), Mason Sater (11:00)

† *Those who are able may stand.* ‡ *Latecomers may be seated at these times.*

♦ **COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED AT 9:30AM IN THE SANCTUARY AND NOON IN COUCH CHAPEL.**

* **IF YOU WISH TO JOIN** the First United Methodist Church family, please come forward at this time.

***Children leaving the service for Children's Chapel may be picked up after the service:*

- *3-4 years (8:30 & 11:00): Children's Ministry Center*
- *K5-1ST graders (11:00): Dawson Building, Room 207, behind the Sanctuary*
- *2ND-3RD graders (11:00): Dawson Building, Room 208, behind the Sanctuary*

Childcare for infants through 4 years is available from 8:15 to 12:15 in the Children's Ministry Center. From the sanctuary, follow the sign located in the hallway between the sanctuary and the Dawson Building. Outdoor access is located on the corner of Douglas and Milam Streets.