



Does the Church  
**HAVE TO CHANGE**  
In Order to Remain the Same?

**MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**May 28, 2023**

*Welcome!*

If you're here for the first time, please complete the **Guest Welcome** form at [MatthewsUMC.org/Getting-Started](https://MatthewsUMC.org/Getting-Started) and stop by the Welcome Center to pick up your visitor gift! We would love to connect and help you get plugged into life and ministry of the church. **Children's Praise Packs** are located in the Reception Area & Welcome Center. These special bags are for kids ages 3-6 or kids ages 7-12 and will help them to engage in worship.



**MOBILE CHECK-IN & ONLINE GIVING:** Scan the QR Code to download our **Realm Connect church app** and begin engaging with events, registrations, groups, the church directory and more! Sign in, Sign up, or learn more at [MatthewsUMC.org/Realm](https://MatthewsUMC.org/Realm). Check-In Station also available at the Welcome Center & Attendance Books on each pew for guests and those without a smart phone.

*Get the app!*



**EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & ONLINE BULLETIN:** Access the bulletin and a complete list of ministry opportunities in the [Celebration Newsletter](#). *(Printed copies at the Welcome Center.)*  
*Thank you for helping to conserve paper and waste.*

# TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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*May 28, 2023*

*8:15am*

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**\*PRELUDE**

Tongues of Fire (Pentecost Dance)

Alfred V. Fedak

**WELCOME**

***CELEBRATION OF PRAISE & WORSHIP***

**\*OPENING HYMN, NO. 539**

O Spirit of the Living God

FOREST GREEN

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**TIME OF PRAYER**

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

Be Thou My Vision

*Steven Beaver*

Bob Chilcott

**\*DOXOLOGY, NO. 95**

OLD 100TH

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***THE WORD***

**LESSON**

Acts 2:1-13

**MESSAGE**

“Does the Church Have to Change in Order to Remain the Same”

*Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Wilson, II*

***RESPONSE TO THE WORD***

**\*CLOSING HYMN, NO. 159**

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

Come Down, O Love Divine

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

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**WORSHIP LEADERS**

**Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Wilson, II; Rev. Paul Craig;**

*Craig Estep, Director of Music & Worship Arts; Kathy White, Music Ministry Associate/Organist;*

*Joel Mullis, Worship Production Director; Chuck DeLong, Screens; Steven Beaver, Tenor;*

*Susan Chambers, Worship Coordinator; Nancy Campbell, Lay Reader*

# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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May 28, 2023

9:30am

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## Welcome & Greeting

### \*Musical Praise

Freedom

*Jesus Culture*

Set A Fire

*Jesus Culture*

### \*Passing the Peace

New Members Joining

Rev. Jenny Savage

Announcements/Prayer/Offering

A Song of Giving

Holy Spirit

*Francesca Battistelli*

## The Word

Scripture

Acts 2:1-13

Message

“Does the Church Have to Change in Order to Remain the Same”

Rev. Chuck Wilson

## Response

### \*Musical Praise

I Give Myself Away

*William McDowell*

New Wine

*Hillsong Worship*

### \*Blessing

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

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## WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Wilson, II; Rev. Jenny Savage; Rev. Corey Milliet;

John Woodall, *Director of Contemporary Worship*; Joel Mullis, *Worship Production Director*;

Tom Amann, *Screens*; Susan Chambers, *Worship Coordinator*; The Contemporary Worship Team

# TRADITIONAL CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*May 28, 2023*

*Pentecost Sunday*

*11:00am*

**\*PRELUDE**

Be Thou My Vision  
*Steven Beaver*

Bob Chilcott

**WELCOME**

***CELEBRATION OF PRAISE & WORSHIP***

**\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN, NO. 539**

O Spirit of the Living God

FOREST GREEN

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**NEW MEMBERS JOINING**

*Rev. Jenny Savage*

**TIME OF PRAYER**

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

Fanfare for Pentecost  
*Sanctuary Choir; Trumpets*

John Purifoy

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***RESPONSE TO THE WORD***

**\*CLOSING HYMN, NO. 159**

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

Irish Blessing  
*Brass Ensemble*

Don Gray

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit*

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**Rev. Dr. Charles (Chuck) Wilson, II; Rev. Jenny Savage; Rev. Paul Craig**

**Craig Estep, Director of Music & Worship Arts; Kathy White, Music Ministry Associate/Organist;**

**Sanctuary Choir; Joel Mullis, Worship Production Director; Tom Amann, Livestream;**

**Steven Beaver, Tenor; Brass Ensemble: Wes Broome, Steven Beaver, Timothy Goforth, David Brewer;**

**Rainbow Express, Pentecost Streamers; Susan Chambers, Worship Coordinator; Howard Nussman, Lay Reader**

# WELCOME FROM THE PASTORS AND CONGREGATION!

All are welcome here ... and we do mean all. We take these words seriously. We strive to be a community as diverse and hospitable as God's kingdom. We don't all look or act alike; God knows we don't all think alike. We don't all read the Bible the same way. We bring different questions and carry different burdens, but every Sunday, we worship together as one. Our nearly 150-year-old church is filled with some traditional and inspiring untraditional ways. We study the teachings and actions of Jesus. We sing modern songs and old hymns. Yet, in our preaching and prayers, we wrestle with the challenges of the modern world. We hope your heart will hear something personal and relevant — a word of comfort, a spur to action, a call to a deeper relationship with God. **After the service, please stick around. Introduce yourself to one of our pastors or someone at our Welcome Center. We have lots of programs and community groups to feed your soul and expand your spirit. Try one out. You never know – you just might be home!**

## OUR PRAYERS

*In care and sympathy, we lift up:*

**Those in our church family who have lost loved ones this month.**

**Prayers for a Neighboring House of Worship**

Let us pray that **Maple Grove Baptist Church** will flourish, and that God might richly bless their ministry.

*Please remember in your prayers all those in our Church family with special needs and concerns.*

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

*What it is and what it means...*

Pentecost celebrates the birth of the church; the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Jesus after his Ascension on the seventh Sunday after Easter.

The Apostles and other followers of Jesus had gathered to celebrate the Feast of Weeks. A great wind was heard and what looked like flames appeared on the heads of the disciples and each began to speak in tongues.

Pentecost is often depicted with fire imagery and the color red, which signifies the Holy Spirit and the tongues of fire.

Historically, Christians celebrate the birth of the church at Pentecost through baptism or the commissioning of new members into ministry.



*This morning, the Sanctuary Choir is debuting their brand new robes! Thank you to the Finance Committee and Administrative Council for this generous gift, and for the recognition of our Sanctuary Choir!*



MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST

*THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, WE WILL TRANSFORM THE WORLD, ONE LIFE AT A TIME.*

### COME AS YOU ARE: Sunday Mornings

8:15 (Traditional), 9:30 (Contemporary); 11:00 (Traditional),  
9:30 (United Kids Family Worship 2nd Sundays in the Gym);  
12:30 Centro Cristiano Hosanna (Servicio en Espanol)

*9:30 & 11:00 Services Livestreamed at [MatthewsUMC.org](http://MatthewsUMC.org)*

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