

MAY 10, 2026 **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** **9:30 AM**
MOTHERS DAY

GATHERING, PRELUDE, I need thee every hour **397**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 16 WCUMC Ladies' Day Luncheon 11:00 am
17 Ascension Sunday
24 Day of Pentecost

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CALL TO WORSHIP / OPENING PRAYER Ps 100

Give thanks to God; bless the name of the Holy One.

For the Lord is good;

God's steadfast love endures forever

and God's faithfulness to all generations.

HYMN: O Spirit of the Living God **539**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Loving God, in whom we live and move and have our being,
help us to choose life in you,**

that we may keep the commands of Jesus,

follow the promptings of the Holy Spirit,

and witness to the hope that is within us,

sharing Christ's love in the world. Amen.

SCRIPTURE:

Special Series: Joshua 1:5-9, Ephesians 6:10-18

Lectionary: John 14: 15-21

CONFESSION by Tracey Davenport via Presbyterian Outlook

Ever-present God, we come before you knowing
we have ignored your promised Holy Spirit living within us.

Therefore, we forfeit peace and bear needless worry.

We become confused and deaf to your voice of truth.

We struggle with obedience to your Word
and fight an overwhelming sense of loneliness.

Forgive us! Help us to remember that we are never alone,

that you are with us and for us,

by the power of your Spirit abiding in us,

the Spirit of Jesus the Christ, our Savior and Lord.

{silent prayers}

ASSURANCE 1 Pet. 3: 21, 22;
Sisters and brothers, through the risen Christ
God forgives, restores, and strengthens us, and gives us peace.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

CHOIR: For the Beauty of the Earth **92**

EASTER SERMON SERIES Embracing an Adverbial Faith
Week 5: Lead Courageously

HYMN: I Sing the Almighty Power of God **152**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

INTERCESSIONS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BRINGING OUR GIFTS

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PRAYER

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**O loving God, we give you thanks
that you have placed in the hearts of your faithful people
the gift of generosity and the desire to keep your commands.
Bless these gifts; use them to reveal your love in Jesus
to all tribes, nations, and peoples. Amen.**

HYMN: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling **384**

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

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May God, who creates, redeems, and sustains,
keep you steadfast in faith, buoyant in hope, & abounding in love.
And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen

POSTLUDE Rejoice, the Lord is King **715**

Reflecting on and Praying with Scriptures

Year A – May 10, 2026 Sixth Sunday of Easter

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Scriptures:

Acts 17: 22-31 1 Peter 3: 13-22

Psalms 66: 8-20 John 14: 15-21

Questions for Reflection:

The risen and ascended Christ promises to send us power from on high. How do I use such “soul force” to bring forgiveness, blessing, & love to others?

Morning Prayers:

Holy God, I give thanks this day that your Son ascends in the core of my being as new life arises in me. Open the eyes of my heart this day to seek and serve you in all whom I meet. Amen.

Evening Prayers:

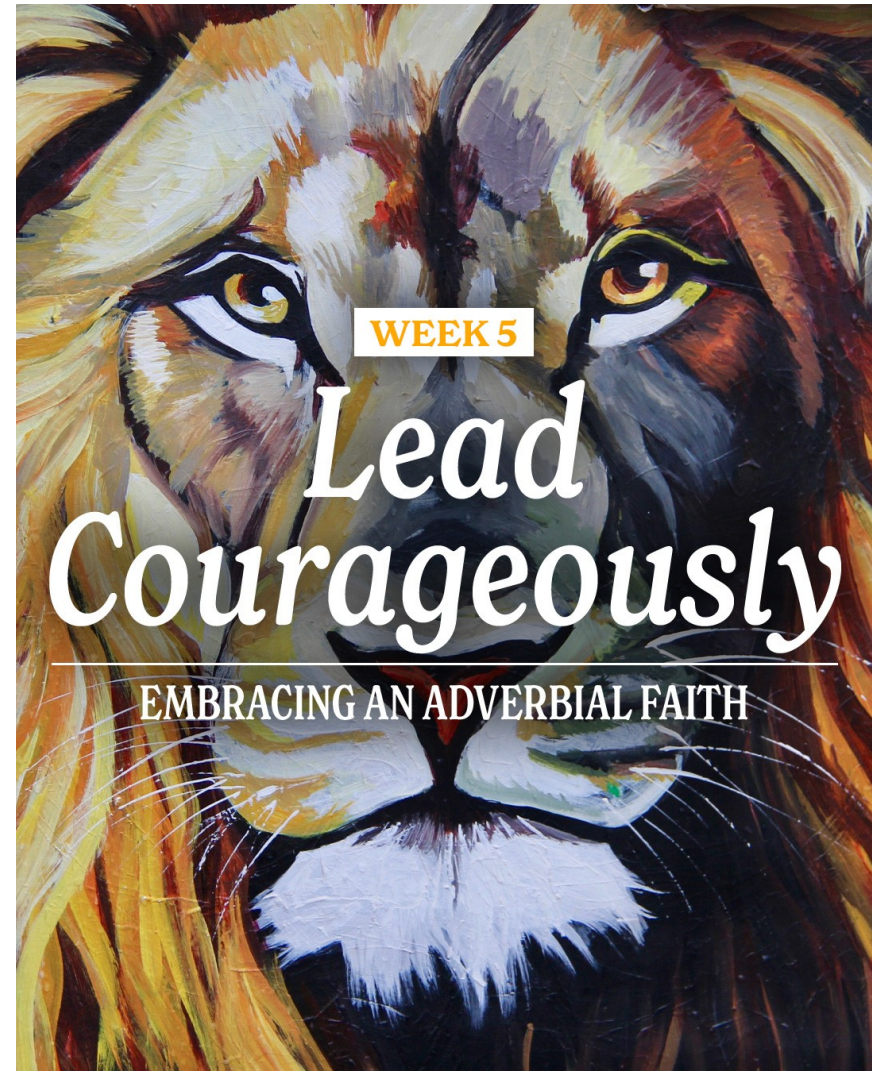
I repent of the wrongs I have done this day, and seek forgiveness by the grace of your love. Clothe me with power on high this night that my life may rest hidden in you. Amen.

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Scriptures for 5/17 - Ascension Sunday/Miracle Sunday

Special Series: Psalm 96, Romans 12:1-8, Matthew 28:16-20

Lectionary: Acts 1: 1-11 Ephesians 1: 15-23
Psalm 47 or Psalm 93 Luke 24: 44-53



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