

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
June 28, 2026 9:30 a.m.
*Congregation is invited to rise if able and comfortable.
Readings in **BOLD** are to be read in unison.
Hymnals: UMH is Red or Purple-TFWS is Black-W&S is Green
Please note that this service is being recorded and viewed on social media.

WE GATHER

PRELUDE *Minuet in G* Bach
As you settle into the sanctuary, please open your phone and share the live service from your Facebook page as a way of inviting the larger community to worship.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOMING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST
Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above UMH 126, v. 1
Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation. With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled: To God all praise and glory.

*INVITATION TO WORSHIP
We gather as people who have a heritage which we celebrate this day.
We gather and claim the beauty of our heritage.
We come to hear the story of God’s faithfulness to past generations.
We come to also look to the future as well as the past.
We are gathered together by grace and bound together in the family of God.
God draws us together in love.
We are part of the people called Methodists, a movement of prayer, worship, study, service, and witness.
We are part of a movement warmed by the Spirit and embraced in Christ.
We are part of the people called Methodists, but more than that, we are God’s people, connected to every Christ follower who was, who is, and who will be woven together in love.
May we never stop seeking to comprehend the breadth, length, height, and depth of the love of Christ that binds us together.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF THE CHRIST
We invite you to turn to the person next to you and greet them saying,
“Peace of Christ be with you.”
You are invited to respond by saying,
“And also, with you.”

*SONG OF PRAISE *Great Is the Lord* TFWS 2022

CENTERING PRAYER
Almighty God, you raised up your servants John and Charles Wesley to proclaim anew the gift of redemption and a new life of holiness. Thank you for providing us with a rich inheritance as United Methodists. Work among us that inspired by the same faith and upheld by the same grace, we may be made one in the unity of your church. May the flame of love warm our hearts and illuminate our minds that being set afire with holy love, we may spread its flame to the uttermost parts of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC *Cornerstone/Our Hope is Built* Mote, et al
Praise Team

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

LESSON FROM THE PROPHET *Isaiah 49:1-6* Pew Bible OT 679
Inspired by God and entrusted to us, these are holy words for holy living.
Thanks be to God.

SONG OF AFFIRMATION *We Believe* Hooper, Fike, Ryan

Verse 1: In this time of desperation,
when all we know is doubt and fear,
there is only one foundation.
We believe. We believe.
In this broken generation,
when all is dark You help us see.
There is only one salvation.
We believe. We believe.

Refrain: **We believe in God, the Father.
We believe in Jesus Christ.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
and He's given us new life.
We believe in the crucifixion.
We believe that He conquered death.
We believe in the resurrection,
and He's coming back (again). We believe.**

Verse 2: So let our faith be more than anthems,
greater than the songs we sing.
And in our weakness and temptations,
we believe. We believe. **(Refrain)**

Bridge: Let the lost be found, let the dead be raised,
in the here and now, let love invade.
Let the church live loud. Our God will save.
We believe. We believe.
And the gates of hell will not prevail

for the power of God has torn the veil.
Now we know Your love will never fail.
We believe. We believe. **(Refrain)**
Ending: He's coming back again. He's coming back again.
We believe. We believe. We believe. We believe.

EPISTLE LESSON *Romans 12: 9-21* Pew Bible NT 162
SERMON *Our Spiritual DNA* Rev. Jill Hubbard-Smith

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

SHARING OUR PRAYERS
After each prayer request, the congregation will respond...
Lord, Hear Our Prayer

PRAYERS FOR All GOD’S BELOVED PEOPLE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS TO THE MINISTRY OF GOD
MISSION MINUTE *Peace with Justice*
*PRESENTATION UMH 94
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
**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!**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
God of past, present, and future, we bring our thanks and praise for all the generations of the faithful who have served in your holy name. Today we bring ourselves and our gifts to the ministry of your church, that we might provide a witness of legacy for future followers that brings glory and praise to the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*SONG OF DEDICATION *Forever* W&S 3023

*SENDING FORTH

*LIGHT OF CHRIST LEADS US INTO THE WORLD
Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace UMH 668
**Let us now depart in thy peace, blessed Jesus.
Send us to our homes with God’s love in our hearts.
Let not the busy world claim all our loyalties.
Keep us ever mindful, dear Lord, of thee. Amen.**

POSTLUDE
**Our Service Of Worship Has Ended.
Our Worship Through Service Begins.**

WORDS OF WELCOME

Welcome to this service of worship. We pray this service offered an opportunity to engage with the Divine. If we can be of service to you in any way, please let us know. If you are looking for a church to call home, please consider joining us, where we help one another grow in faith, love, and service.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Given in loving memory of Lou Gorra by Judy.

Given in loving memory of Kay Davison’s birthday by Cathy & Joe Stopyra.

ALTAR ROSES

The white rose is given in loving memory of Florence Danielson’s

heavenly birthday by Randy, Aldo, Ron, Jeff, Scott, & Russel.

The yellow rose is given in honor of Alexander Tanta Nanta’s graduation from Monmouth Regional High School on June 25th with love from Gram & Poppy.

Our Leadership Team This Morning

Acolyte: Faye Snorton

Counters: Mary Bailey, Cheryl McLoughlin, John Montgomery

Greeter: Joy More

Lay Reader: Steve Skoulas

Usher: Ron Danielson

For Your Information

- There are **hearing devices** to assist you to experience the service more clearly with our streaming team, at the rear of the sanctuary. Feel free to pick one up.
- A **rocking chair** is available for the comfort of parent and baby, in Blair Chapel, behind the pews.
- To access the **restrooms**, please exit the side door to the right of the lectern/chancel area. In the hall, make a left into Fellowship Hall and follow the signs.
- There are **infant changing tables** available in the restrooms.
- There are **large print hymnals and Bibles** available. Please ask the usher.



This Week We Hold in Prayer...

Marley, Jagger, Debbie Eckert, Morgan, Jean Holder, Terry Frazier, Louise Kinsey, Naomi, Don Whittaker, June Holder, Debbie, Arlene Shaw, Rose

Byrne, Jackie Gilman, Ed Foran, Charles Murphy, Ginny, Vicky

Our Homebound: Bev Itell, Virginia Haydu, Bob Sproat, Bertha Ahrens, Carey Carlisle, Priscilla Smith, Elaine Gould

Hospitalized: Nancy Burt, Carol Steinat

Jersey Shore Care Center: Dave Miller

**FUMCO has a team of prayers, known as the Prayer Chain. If you have a prayer need, please contact the office.

**If you know someone who is in need of pastoral care, please contact Jill Hubbard-Smith at 732-209-4563 or revjmhs@gmail.com.

Please Join in Mission and Ministry

...where together we help each other grow in faith, love, and service.

TODAY:

Children’s Sunday School – Downstairs

9:30 a.m.

Worship In Person

11 a.m. (Old First)

Monday, June 29

AA – Wesley Hall

7:30 a.m.

Alanon – Wesley Hall

10 a.m.

12 Step Study – Fellowship Hall

7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 30

Women’s Covenant Group – Library

8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, July 1

AA – Wesley Hall

7:30 a.m.

Summer Book Club – Wesley Hall

12 p.m.

Knitting Ministry – Library

1 p.m.

Thursday, July 2

Alanon – Wesley Hall

10 a.m.

OA – Wesley Hall

6:30 p.m.

Friday, July 3

AA – Wesley Hall

7 p.m.

Sunday, July 5

Communion & Worship – Prayer Garden

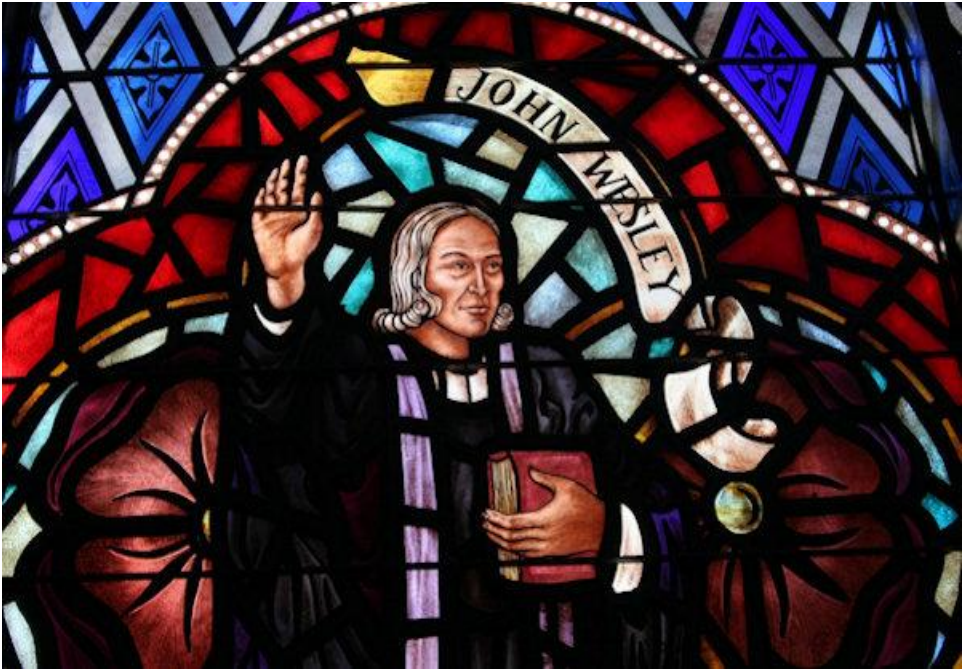
8 a.m.

Worship in Person & Online

9:30 a.m.

Worship In Person

11 a.m. (Old First)



Heritage Sunday

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9:30 a.m. Worship Every Sunday Morning In Person & Streaming

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