

(Refrain)

Ask the Savior to help you, comfort, strengthen, and keep you. He is willing to aid you, He will carry you through.

Verse 2

Shun evil companions, bad language disdain, God's name hold in reverence, nor take it in vain.

Be thoughtful and earnest, kindhearted and true; look ever to Jesus, He will carry you through.

(Refrain)

Verse 3

To him that overcometh, God giveth a crown; through faith we will conquer, though often cast down. He who is our Savior, our strength will renew. Look ever to Jesus, He will carry you through.

(Refrain)

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Offering/Doxology

UMH 95

Offertory Prayer

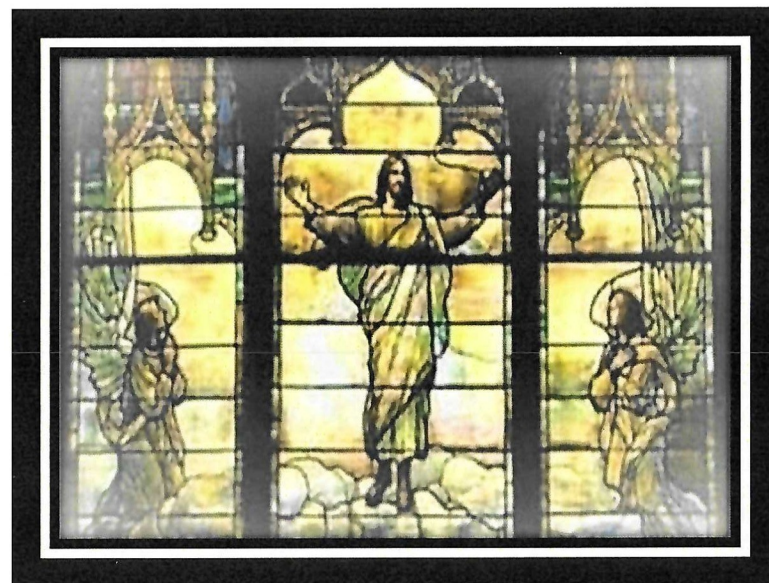
Passing the Peace

Hymn

"God Be with You" (v 1 only)

UMH 672

Benediction



GATEWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

AUGUST 30, 2026

301 Diamond Street, Fairmont WV 26554

Rev. Nici Masters, Pastor

Music Coordinator – Bev Slagle

Bell Choir Director – Val Huffman

August Head Usher – Jeff Erdie

Acolytes

Esme and Ollie Allen

Haeden and Kenslie Futton

Nora Rae Huffman

The Celebration of Worship

August 30, 2026

Order of Worship

Announcements

Prelude

"I Will Enter His Gates"

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*Call to Worship

L: The Lord has commanded a perpetual remembrance of His deliverance. Come, let us observe the Festival of our Redemption!

All: Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed for us.

L: Let us, therefore, celebrate not with the old leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

All: Get rid of the old yeast, so that we may be a new, unleavened batch.

L: Let us worship the Lord in spirit and truth, for we are a people set free by His grace.

All: Amen!

Opening Prayer

Gracious and Almighty God. We come before You with joyful hearts, remembering Your mighty deliverance. Just as You instructed Your people of old to observe the days of Unleavened Bread, You have called us to rid our lives of the leaven of sin. We thank You for sending Jesus, our spotless Passover Lamb, who was sacrificed to rescue us from the bondage of darkness.

Lord, as we gather today, we ask that You search our hearts. Purify us from all malice, deceit, and wickedness. Fill us instead with Your sincerity and truth so that our lives may reflect Your holiness. May our worship today be a fragrant offering, pleasing to You, as we celebrate the new life we

have in Christ. We ask these things in the matchless and redeeming name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Children's Chat

Christy Miller

Hymn

"Break Thou the Bread of Life"

UMH 599

Scripture Reading

Exodus 12:17-20

17 "Celebrate the Festival of Unleavened Bread, because it was on this very day that I brought your divisions out of Egypt. Celebrate this day as a lasting ordinance for the generations to come. 18 In the first month you are to eat bread made without yeast, from the evening of the fourteenth day until the evening of the twenty-first day. 19 For seven days no yeast is to be found in your houses. And anyone, whether foreigner or native-born, who eats anything with yeast in it must be cut off from the community of Israel. 20 Eat nothing made with yeast. Wherever you live you must eat unleavened bread."

Sermon Scripture

1 Corinthians 5:6-8

6 Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough? 7 Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch-as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. 8 Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Sermon

"Unleavened and Unashamed"

Rev. Nici Masters

Hymn

"Yield Not to Temptation"

Yield not to temptation, for yielding is sin;
Each victory will help you some other to win.
Fight manfully onward, dark passions subdue;
Look ever to Jesus, He will carry you through.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Faye Dodd, Rusty Freeland, Mary Beth Furbee, Carol Hall, Ezra Hall, Linda Lomicka
Charlotte Merriman, Dan Ross, Madalee Wilson, Kay Young

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 31 – Yoga – Asbury – 10am
September 8 – Trustees – 10am – Lounge
September 13 – Church Picnic
September 14 – Mary Priscillas – 4pm – Lounge
September 18 – Baked Steak Dinner – 3:30pm – 6:30pm
September 21 – Yoga – Asbury – 10am
September 22 – Charge Conference – 6pm
September 26 – GUMM Breakfast – 8:30am – Moms
September 27 – Prayer Team after Worship

ATTENDANCE

August 2 - 68
August 9 - 91
August 16 – 70
August 23 – 85
August 30 -

ATTENTION ALL SINGERS

Anyone who would like to sing for the cantata is invited to attend
rehearsals each Wednesday evening at 6pm.

Gateway Contact Information

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Loose Change/Food Pantry Collection

Loose change (coins only) – Honey Bags
Items for September – Baby Food

Mary Priscilla Women's Group & Gateway United Methodist Men

Baked Steak Dinner

Baked Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Salad & Dessert

Friday, September 18, 2026

3:30 – 6:30 PM

Dine-In or Take-Out

Gateway UMC – 301 Diamond St – Fairmont, WV

\$17.00 per dinner

Checks Payable to

Mary Priscilla Women's Group
