

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Liturgical Color: White

†Please stand as you are able

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Blair Tolbert

THE LORD'S PRAYER • UMH 895

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.

WELCOME AND PARISH NOTICES

Rev. Dr. Julie Boone

INTROIT

Elevenfold Alleluia (*J. Ritchie*) Chancel Choir (9:00 a.m.)  
O Praise the Lord, Ye Children (*R. Leaf*) Children's Choirs (11:15 a.m.)

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Rev. Ryan Young

Leader: Christ is risen!  
Congregation: **The Lord is risen indeed!**  
Leader: Walk in the light of his love.  
Congregation: **Live in the light of his grace and mercy.**  
Leader: Come, let us worship the One who loved us stronger than death.  
All: **Let us worship our risen Lord. Amen.**

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN • UMH 68

When in Our Music God is Glorified

ENGELBERG

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH • UMH 881

Apostles' Creed

Rev. Young

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\* church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.  
\*universal

†GLORIA PATRI • UMH 70

Glory Be to the Father

MEINEKE

All: **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. Amen.

ANTHEM

A Little Lower Than the Angels (*H. Beebe*) Carol Choir (11:15 a.m.)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. Dr. Boone

Children ages 4K through 3rd grade are invited to join the Children's Ministry staff after the Children's Sermon for Fuse Worship in the Fuse Box located on the 3rd floor of Building B. If this is your child's first time attending, please accompany them upstairs to complete a sign-in.

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Cello Suite No. 3, i. Prelude (*J.S. Bach*) Grady Jenkins, Cello

GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Sonata in D, Op. 94, i. Moderato (*S. Prokofiev*) Nora Hart, Violin (9:00 a.m.)  
I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes (*A. Berk*) Chorister Choir (11:15 a.m.)

†DOXOLOGY • UMH 94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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!

*Choir members who sang in the 9:00 a.m. service may choose to depart at this time.*

†SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 John 5:1-6

Rev. Dr. Boone (9:00 a.m.)

Charlotte Jones, Head Chorister (11:15 a.m.)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.  
All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Conquering the World

Rev. Dr. Boone

†HYMN • UMH 400

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

†BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Boone

†SUNG RESPONSE

May the Road Rise to Meet you (*B. Parks*) Chancel Choir (9:00 a.m.)  
May the Road Rise to Meet you (*A. Lovelace*) Chorister Choir (11:15 a.m.)

†POSTLUDE

Concerto No. 5; iv. Allegro (*G.F. Handel*)  
Nora Hart, Violin; Grady Jenkins, Cello; Brian Parks, Organ

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?

Marietta FUMC is a welcoming church committed to growing in Christian faith and serving in love. If you are interested in joining, we welcome new members on the second Sunday of every month. Please contact Associate Minister, Rev. Blair Tolbert, at [blairtolbert@mariettafumc.org](mailto:blairtolbert@mariettafumc.org).

PASTORAL CARE

You are our best pastoral care partner. If you, your family, or your friends need a pastoral contact or visit, please contact Associate Minister, Rev. Ryan Young, at [ryanyoung@mariettafumc.org](mailto:ryanyoung@mariettafumc.org).



Holy Communion served in the Latimer Chapel at 10:10 a.m.

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## This Week at MFUMC

**FLOWERS:** The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God by Rev. Blair Tolbert and Zach Johnson in celebration of their first wedding anniversary on May 13.

**HOSPITALIZATIONS:** Tommie Lieber

For more information go to [mariettafumc.org/events](http://mariettafumc.org/events).

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### Being United Methodist

I have beside me on my desk, the 2016 Book of Discipline of The UMC. I wish you could see it. It is filled with sticky notes (which I love), paperclipped pages, and lots of highlights. It looks like a well-loved book, though "loved" is not what I would say about it. Maybe, instead, a well-used and referenced book. I once had a church member say that they had read the entire Book of Discipline and knew what it said. I applauded them. But even after all these years and the many notes and highlights, and though I have read most of it, I am still learning the importance of The Book of Discipline.

Like many clergy, I have a love/hate relationship with The Book of Discipline. I love it because it articulates our Doctrinal Standards and General Rules and because it outlines the ordering of the Local Church, Conference, Jurisdiction, and General Conference. I have served and do serve on committees, and the Book of Discipline helps guide the work of these committees. Hence, the many sticky notes. I am sure you agree that it is important for a denomination to have a book such as The Book of Discipline because it outlines what we believe and how we live out our faith as United Methodists.

Over the past ten days, our denomination has been meeting in Charlotte, North Carolina, for the 2024 General Conference. The General Conference is the voting body for our denomination. It is a time when the Church looks at The Book of Discipline and votes on legislation that has been submitted. The North Georgia Conference has been updating its website, and United Methodist news sources have given daily reports on the events. There has been a lot of legislation that has come before the General Conference for a vote. I am sure that you are like me and have questions about the legislation that has been passed by the General Conference. I plan to assess and then communicate with you the results of the General Conference and its approved legislation in the next few weeks. Every four years for decades we have held a General Conference, so regardless of the legislation, we will continue to be the great church that we are as we live into our vision of *being a welcoming church growing in Christian faith and serving in love*.

Join us as we celebrate our incredible 2024 High School Graduates. We will also continue our series, **little book, BIG IDEAS** on 1 John, as we talk about the importance of faith. It is a great day to be in church!

Faithfully yours,



#### Children & Youth Ministries

- **Young Liturgist Luncheon - TODAY:** We will celebrate our young liturgists who have helped lead in worship throughout the year following 11:15 a.m. worship in the Family Life Hall. Those who have participated in children's choirs, as acolytes, or as scripture readers, will be recognized.
- **PDO Summer Kids Club - May 28 - June 28:** Kids age 5 yrs. - 9 yrs. are invited to attend our Summer Kids Club Monday - Friday, 8:45 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Register online.
- **Rising 6th Grader Outing - June 21:** If you have a RISING 6th grader, we would love for them to join us from 5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. We will walk from MFUMC to the Marietta Market for dinner, then we will take the church buses to "Adventure Air," an awesome trampoline park located in Kennesaw! Register online.
- **Vacation Bible School - July 8-11:** Join us for Camp Firelight VBS where we'll be experiencing a summer camp adventure with God throughout the week, ending with a Family Cookout on July 12. Register online.
- **High School Lake Weekend - July 19-21:** Current high schoolers are invited to join us for our Lake Weekend at Lake Lanier! It will be an awesome weekend with tubing, boat riding, games, cookouts, movie nights, and more! Don't miss out on hanging out by the lake with your best friends! Register online.

#### Churchwide

- **Atlanta Concert Band - TODAY:** The Atlanta Concert Band returns to the Park on Polk at 6:00 p.m. for a Spring Pops Concert. Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy music in this beautiful pavilion. Featured guests include mezzo-soprano, and Atlanta Concert Band Board Member, Dian Knight.
- **Mother's Day Celebration - May 12:** Women of the church are invited to Hodges Garden after both worship services to share some lemonade and special treats in honor of Mother's Day. There will be a special photo booth!
- **Wesley Woods Offering - May 12:** The Wesley Woods Mother's Day offering provides critical funding for charitable financial assistance with housing and meals, pastoral care, and wellness

programming to older adults living in a Wesley Woods community. Help create hope and spread joy with a gift to Wesley Woods. To donate, visit [mariettafumc.org/give](http://mariettafumc.org/give) and select "Wesley Woods" from the dropdown menu, or indicate "Wesley Woods" on your check either in our Sunday offering or in the church office.

- **SAM Luncheon - May 15:** Join our Senior Adults for some home-cooked barbecue and bluegrass in the Family Life Hall from noon to 1:00 pm. Register online.
- **Costa Rica Mission Trip Interest Meeting - May 15:** If you haven't joined the Costa Rica Family Mission Trip Team yet, you still can. It is designed for families, but open to all. Join the interest and planning meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Wesley Dining Room. Come hungry to enjoy a Costa Rican-style supper.
- **Pentecost Sunday - May 19:** Join us in worship as we celebrate the birthday of the church at both the 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services. Everyone is invited to wear red, the color of Pentecost.
- **Blood Drive - May 21:** You can help ensure hospitals have blood on hand to save lives by giving blood or platelets with the Red Cross during #TraumaAwarenessMonth from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Lower Room of building C. Use Sponsor Code MFUMC. Register online.
- **Worship in the Park on Polk - June 1-30:** Bring a chair and join us Sundays in June for 9:00 a.m. worship service in the Park on Polk. The 11:15 a.m. service will be in the Sanctuary.
- **BINGO with the Ladies - June 2:** The Women's Ministry Team is hosting a fun time of fellowship at 4:00 p.m. in the Reception Hall. This will be a great opportunity to meet other women of the church. Light refreshments will be served.
- **Great American Family Picnic - July 4:** Save the date for The Great American Family Picnic in the Park on Polk from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Reservations guarantee you entrance to the park, a pre-determined lawn space for up to 10 people, two reserved parking spots at Marietta Middle School, and the best seats in town for the holiday fireworks show. Register online.

**Nursery: Infants-4 years, 8:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.** The nursery is located below the Sanctuary in building B on the first level. Visit [mariettafumc.org/children](http://mariettafumc.org/children) for more information.

**Giving to Marietta FUMC:** You can give to support the mission and ministry of our church: through the Offering Plate, online at [mariettafumc.org/give](http://mariettafumc.org/give), by texting MFUMC to 73256 to receive a link to complete the giving form, through the Realm Connect app on your phone, or by mailing your gift to the church.

#### WORSHIP LEADERS

**Senior Minister:**  
Rev. Dr. Julie Boone

**Director of Music:**  
Dr. Nicole Marane

**Associate Ministers:**  
Rev. Blair Tolbert  
Rev. Ryan Young

**Associate Director of Music/Organist:**  
Brian Parks  
**Music Associate/Youth Choir Director:**  
Catherine Moulton

#### WELCOME GUESTS!

*We are so glad that you are here! If you are a guest with us, we would love to connect. Fill out the form at this QR code, and a member of our Engagement Team will be in touch with you soon!*

