

THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
Pentecost Sunday, May 19, 2024  
Liturgical Color: Red  
†Please stand as you are able

WELCOME AND PARISH NOTICES

Rev. Dr. Julie Boone

PRELUDE

O Happy Day (arr. T. Graf)

MFUMC Wind Quintet

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Rev. Blair Tolbert

(Choral Response)

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Congregation: O Lord my God, you are very great.

Leader: You are clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in light as with a garment.

Congregation: You set the earth on its foundations so that it shall never be shaken.

Leader: You cover it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

Congregation: You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth.

Leader: O Lord, how manifold are your works!

All: In wisdom you have made them all!

(Choral Response)

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN • UMH 324

Hail Thee Festival Day (v. 1,2,5)

SALVE FESTA DIES

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH • UMH 884

A Statement of Faith  
of the Korean Methodist Church

Rev. Tolbert

All: We believe in the one God,  
creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all Nations,  
the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.

We believe in Jesus Christ,  
God manifest in the flesh,  
our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.

We believe in the forgiveness of sins,  
in the life of love and prayer,  
and in grace equal to every need.

We believe in the Word of God  
contained in the Old and New Testaments  
as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.

We believe in the Church,  
those who are united in the living Lord  
for the purpose of worship and service.

We believe in the reign of God  
as the divine will realized in human society,  
and in the family of God,  
where we are all brothers and sisters.

We believe in the final triumph of righteousness,  
and in the life everlasting. Amen.

†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.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Anne Michelle, Leta Josephine, & Essie Page Suttles, daughters of Draper & Brandon Suttles (9:00 a.m.)  
Wilson Wyman Pilcher, son of Lindsay & Will Pilcher (11:15 a.m.)  
Dylan Paul Day, son of Naomi Stewart & Carl "Doug" Day, II (11:15 a.m.)

Congregation: With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ, that these  
children, surrounded by steadfast love, may be established in the faith, and  
confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

(Sung) Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign;  
with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. Tolbert

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.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Ryan Young

†CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER • UMH 393 Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Young

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.

GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit (arr. M. Kennedy)  
Psalm No. 4 (B. Parks)

Chancel Choir (9:00 a.m.)  
Coventry Ensemble (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!

†SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 Fran Sutton, Church Council Vice-Chair

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Remembering the Holy Spirit

Rev. Dr. Boone

†HYMN • UMH 57

For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (v. 1-5,7)

AZMON

†COMMISSIONING OF YOUTH CHOIR MISSION TRIP (11:15 a.m.)

†BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Boone

†CHORAL RESPONSE

Pentecost Benediction (L.R. Dickson)  
Irish Blessing (B. Parks)

Chancel Choir (9:00 a.m.)  
Coventry Ensemble (11:15 a.m.)

†POSTLUDE

Improvisation on Veni Creator (B. Parks)

Brian Parks, Organ

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO: Helen Gregory (Spanish); Brian Parks & Selia Kelly (Hebrew); Arabe  
Kwansema (Fante); Lynne McLaughlin & Ryan Young (French)

GIFTS TO MFUMC

IN MEMORY OF: Dorothy R. Budd from Lillian & Buddy Darden  
Evelyn Blevins from Cheryl McClung, Nina & Bill Jones, Cally Jones, Amanda & Bill Jones Family  
Blanche Smith from Leigh & Rod Nielsen

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 in loving memory of Betty & Bob Sheldon by their children Fran & Don Sutton, Shirley & Randy Bryant, grandchildren - Anna & Aaron White, Ashley Bryant, Lauren Sutton, and great-grandchildren - Etta Grace White and Mason Bryant.

**HOSPITALIZATIONS:** Bobby Nunnally

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

## Children & Youth Ministries

- **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

- **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.
- **MUST Summer Lunch - May 29 - June 24:** Help pack meal kits for MUST Ministries for kids in metro-Atlanta. Everyone is welcome, nursery is available for children under 5. 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.
- **June Summer Family Choir - June 2-30:** Join us Sundays in the Park at 8:15 a.m. or the Choir Room at 10:40 a.m. to sing with the choir. Wear your Sunday best! If you'd like to

- practice at home, email Dr. Nicole Marane, at [nicolemarane@mariettafumc.org](mailto:nicolemarane@mariettafumc.org).
- **Car Wash for the Extension - June 8:** Visit the Car Wash to benefit The Extension on the church campus on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Sunday from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Volunteers register online.
- **Summer Organ Concert - June 9:** Join us at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary for a festive concert with organist Ronald Ebrecht. In addition to being University Organist Emeritus at Wesleyan (CT) and a Yale Fellow, Mr. Ebrecht is the designer of our incomparable new sanctuary instrument.
- **MFUMC Scholarships Available - June 30:** We are pleased to announce that the church will again be making scholarships available to assist members who are entering college in the fall of 2024 or those already enrolled in college. For more information, visit [mariettafumc.org/youth](http://mariettafumc.org/youth).
- **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.
- **Ignite 2024 - August 16-18:** Ignite 2024 will be THE place to be! Between Tribes competitions, high energy worship experiences, and time with your Fusion Family, this will be a weekend to remember. Students from 6th-12th grade are invited for a weekend of intense games, engaging worship, and small groups with a few of the most awesome people we know! Register at [mariettafumc.org/youth](http://mariettafumc.org/youth).

## CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

	2023	2024
March Giving	\$324,709	\$286,841
March Expenses	\$364,189	\$316,907
April Giving	\$320,988	\$251,539
April Expenses	\$270,030	\$246,951

The church offices will be closed on Monday, May 27, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

**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!*



May 19, 2024

## Celebrating the Church

Today is Pentecost, the day when the Holy Spirit came upon the people of God and formed the church. The power of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost is symbolized by the color red. We encourage you to wear red as we celebrate the birth of the church.

Today we will also be commissioning the Coventry Ensemble (6th - 12th grade musicians) at the 11:15 a.m. service, as they prepare to depart on their 57th annual tour. Our students will provide music, hope, and food in concert, worship, and service. On our tour, we will stay in one big house, cook our own meals, and experience meaningful togetherness.

But why do any of this?

Just as choral singing develops personal and social courage in a way that other "performed" activities do not, so too does traveling in a group teach lifelong skills in a unique way: teamwork, humility, resourcefulness, emotional balance, and communication. Older students on their fifth or sixth tour help younger students find out how much they matter and belong. Ultimately, we cannot know exactly what every experience will bring missionally, musically, and spiritually. We hope that those unforeseeable benefits help us to be more present when we return home. Maybe we will see the people around us in new ways, appreciate their love in different ways, and show our love in new, needed ways.

As a Coventry Ensemble, we sometimes pray together the 'New Beatitudes for a Hurting World' by Lutheran pastor Nadia Bolz-Weber:

"Blessed are they who doubt.  
 Blessed are those who have nothing to offer.  
 Blessed are they who have buried their loved ones, for whom tears could fill an ocean.  
 Blessed are they who have loved enough to know what loss feels like.  
 Blessed are they who don't have the luxury of taking things for granted anymore.  
 Blessed are they who can't fall apart,  
 because they have to keep it together for everyone else.  
 Blessed are those who mourn.  
 Blessed are those who no one else notices,  
 the kids who sit alone at middle school lunch tables,  
 the laundry guys at the hospital,  
 and the night-shift street sweepers.  
 Blessed are the forgotten,  
 blessed are the closeted,  
 blessed are the unemployed,  
 the unimpressive,  
 the underrepresented.  
 Blessed are the wrongly accused, the ones who never catch a break, the ones for whom life is hard, for Jesus chose to surround himself with people like them."

May we all live into this prayer and may our tour glorify God honoring the vision to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Thank you for supporting another enriching choir tour.