



Faith
UNITED CHURCH of Christ

Rev. Ted Brelsford | Pastor
Rev. Gary Burdick | Pastor Emeritus
Robin Miller | Church Musician

Sunday, May 10, 2026
10:15 a.m. Worship Service

6th Sunday of Easter

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

Time of Silent Preparation for Worship

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *Liturgist: Karen Winter*

Leader: Children of God: welcome!

People: Welcome to this place of love and grace,

Leader: Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

People: God invites us all to be a part of the beloved community,

Leader: God invites us all to share in the good news:

All: We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are. In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God.

INVOCATION

***HYMN** *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* Gray #52

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

Holy God, you have made us for love and prepared for those who love you joys beyond understanding. But too often we fail to love you, and we are miserable. Every day we fall short of loving our neighbor as ourselves. At times we cannot even love ourselves. Save us, gracious God of joy and love and life, from all our weaknesses and shortcomings. Forgive us our many failings. And strengthen us for the life you lay before us, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Jesus said, "I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you." Friends, in Jesus Christ we are reconciled to God and united in love with him and with each other.

Thanks be to God.

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

CHILDREN'S LESSON

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 17: 22-25, 28-29

ANTIPHONAL READING Isaiah 66:9-13

***HYMN** *In the Bulb There Is a Flower* Gray #678

SCRIPTURE READING John 14:15-21

SERMON "As a Mother Comforts Her Child"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***HYMN** *Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth* Black #2050

***GIFTS and OFFERINGS** *There is an offering plate on the table at the entrance to the sanctuary. May God bless the missions of our church and the needs of the world through the gifts of our resources. Amen.*



***DOXOLOGY**

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL BLESSING** (Twice)

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

POSTLUDE

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

For peace in this country and the world, for our military, for all involved in war, and those who have lost loved ones and are grieving. And also for those whose needs we do not know. For Vickie Bieger, Stephen Dearth, Barb Fink, Scot Kish, Eleanor Kraft, Pat Granville, Carol Mueller, Claudia Renzi, Phil Renzi, Chuck & Sheila Recktenwalt, Leroy Rockwood, Tom & Marilyn Rucker, Joe Ryan, Sally Schutt, Janet Taber. **For Those in the Military:** Jacob Braun, Zachary Braun, Justin Buczek, Teegan Partridge, Caydan Skinner, Jamie-Lynn Smerka, Justin Slighter, Joe Solak, Mary Solak, Aaron Wellman and Mark Williams.

OPERATING BUDGET INCOME & EXPENSES

Average weekly operating expenses: \$2,355
Offering collection from May 3, 2026: \$5,348
Current: \$5,322 Benevolent: \$26
Attendance on Sunday, May 3, 2026: 46

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Today is the last day to turn in messages for Pastor Ted's memory book.** If you have not done this already, forms are available on the table across from the sanctuary door. Forms should be turned into the secretary's office.
- **PPRC Meeting** after worship on May 17th.
- There will be a **Family Game Night** on Thursday, May 21st from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship hall.
- There will be a **memorial service** here at Faith Church for Bob Tills on Saturday, May 23rd at 3:00 p.m.
- Everyone is invited to **wear red Sunday, May 24th in celebration of Pentecost.**
- **The Strengthen the Church Offering** will be collected on May 24th. This offering supports UCC congregations and initiatives that advance leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and renewal initiatives in existing congregations.
- **Meditation for strength** classes: Mondays from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. May 25th – June 29th. See bulletin board outside Church office.
- **Pastor Ted's retirement party will be held on May 31st** from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. There are 2 sign-up sheets on the board by the secretary's office, one for bringing sandwiches and one for helping in the kitchen. Please sign up if you can help with either of these. If you have any questions see Gail Berger.