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Bulletin – May 11, 2025

Sermon – A Mother Is _____?

Mother's Day Celebration

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship



**** P – Pastor Bold – C: Congregation responds ****

P: Come, God gathers us for worship, like a mother hen gathers her brood under her wings.

C: Our God, is loving and nurturing.

P: In love, God saves and comforts us, teaches us and molds us, corrects us and calls us home.

C: Trusting in God, we continually offer our worship and praise!

Our Statement of Faith – The Apostles Creed p. 881 UMH

**** All to recite in unison ****

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!

The Gloria Patri

p. 70 UMH

*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.*

Opening Hymn – For the Beauty of the Earth p. 92 UMH
vv. 1, 4, & 6

Sharing Our Praises & Prayers

Pastoral Prayer & Lords Prayer

Offering – Ushers come forward

Doxology p. 95 UMH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Old Testament Reading – Psalm 139:13-18 (NRSVue)

**** L: Leader Bold – C: Congregation responds ****

L: ¹³ For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.

C: ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

L: ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

C: ¹⁶ Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book

were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.

L: ¹⁷ How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them!

C: ¹⁸ I try to count them - they are more than the sand; I come to the end - I am still with you.

Hymn – Leaning on the Everlasting Arms p. 133 UMH

New Testament Reading – John 15:9-17 (NRSVue)

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. ¹² "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷ I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Sermon – A Mother Is _____?

Closing Hymn: What A Friend We Have in Jesus p. 526 UMH

Benediction & Commission - Wesley Covenant Prayer

I am no longer my own, but thine. Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee, or brought low for thee. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen!

Lectionary Readings for Holy Week beginning May 12th, 2025

Psalm 67 | Acts 16:9-15 | Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 | John 14:23-29

Announcements

- A monetary gift has been given by Norma Jean Harbin for the Cemetery Fund in memory of her mother, Adeline S. Harbin, on Mothers Day and in memory of her father, Albert Harbin for his May 12th Birthday.
- Homecoming at Wesley UMC will be Sunday, June 1, 2025. Sunday School will be at 10:00 AM and the worship service will be at 11:00 AM. Reverend Dr. Sam Moore will be the speaker. A covered dish lunch will be served in the fellowship hall after the worship service.

Prayer List

Steve and Lena Gough

All who are serving our country at home and abroad

Church Family

Wayne Bumgardner

Frank Dalton

Sherry Doub

Frances V. Gough

Wanda Needham

Barbara Perryman

Frances Sisk

Church Friend / Extended Family

Tommy Bost

Tammy Seats Boyd

Jimmy & Deborah Branch

Jane Bullin

Leisha Carpenter

Joe Dean

Mack Edwards

Joanne Everhart

Mary File

Garry Harbin

Kathy Harbin

Lynda Harper

Ronald Howell

Amber Lambert

Kevin McBride

Kevin McDaniel

Mark Megela

Dawn Proctor

Jay D. Prevette

Vivian Royal

Mary Ellen Smith

Kim Triplette

Mark Wall

Ann Wallace

Robert and Susan Warren

Savannah Wooten

May Birthdays

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| Susan McBride | 1 | Nicholas McBride | 13 |
| Melissa Seats | 1 | Hayden Potts | 18 |
| Ashley Perryman | 5 | Linda Southern | 19 |
| Johnny Disher | 6 | Kaye Lynne Parker | 21 |
| Frances Sisk | 7 | Natalie Gould | 25 |
| Connie Bolen | 13 | Melanie Perryman | 26 |
| Chelsea Manring | 13 | Wayne Bumgardner | 31 |