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Bulletin – July 6, 2025 A New Creation Is Everything 4th Sunday After Pentecost – Year C

**Welcome and Announcements** 

**Opening Prayer** 

**Call to Worship** 



P: Throughout the ages, disciples have said, "I will follow you wherever you go."

C: Lord, give us the freedom to follow you in the ways of love.

P: We come from busy homes, filled with little time to consider Christ in our lives.

C: Lord, give us the strength to follow you in the ways of peace.

P: In times of struggle, we look to God for help.

C: Lord, give us the opportunity to follow you in the ways of kindness.

P: Today, we celebrate the Holy Spirit, who shows us the joy of following God.

C: Lord, give us the patience to follow you in the ways of faith. Amen!

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** – Take Time To Be Holy p. 395 UMH vv. 1, 2, 4

**Sharing Our Praises & Prayers** 

**Pastoral 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 30:1-5, 11-12 (NRSVue)\*

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

- L: 1 I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and did not let my foes rejoice over me.
- C: <sup>2</sup>O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.
- L: 3 O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.
- C: 4 Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.
- L: 5 For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.
- C: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.
- L: 11 You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
- C: 12 so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.
  O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

Hymn – And Are We Yet Alive p. 553 UMH vv. 1, 3, 6

**New Testament Reading –** Galatians 6:1-16 (NRSVue)

1 My brothers and sisters, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. 2 Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. 3 For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. 4 All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. 5 For all must carry their own loads. 6 Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. 7 Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for

you reap whatever you sow.8 If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh, but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. 9 So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. 10 So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all and especially for those of the family of faith. 11 See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! 12 It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. 13 Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. 14 May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. 15 For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything, but a new creation is everything! 16 As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

**Sermon** – A New Creation Is Everything

Holy Communion – Service of Word & Table II

\*\* Please refer to your handout or on screen \*\*

Closing Hymn: The Old Rugged Cross p. 504 UMH vv.1 & 4

#### **Benediction & Commission**

Beloved children, you are blessed and sent out into the world to share God's amazing love with everyone you meet. Let us not grow weary of doing what is right. Go and work for the good of all God's creation. Go in the name of the Father and the Son and the

Holy Spirit to do all the good you can for all the people you can in all the ways you can for as long as you can. Amen!

## **Lectionary Readings beginning July 7, 2025**

Amos 7:7-17 | Psalm 82 | Colossians 1:1-14 | Luke 10:25-37

#### **Announcements**

None today

### **Prayer List**

Steve and Lena Gough

All who are serving our country at home and abroad

<u>Church Family</u> Sherry Doub

Wayne Bumgardner Frances V. Gough

Frank Dalton

### Church Friend / Extended Family

Tommy Bost Amber Lambert
Tammy Seats Boyd Kevin McBride
Jimmy & Deborah Branch Kevin McDaniel
Jane Bullin Mark Megela
Leisha Carpenter Dawn Proctor

Joe Dean Jay D. Prevette

Mack Edwards Vivian Royal

Joanne Everhart Mary Ellen Smith

Mary File Kim Triplette

Garry Harbin Mark Wall

Kathy Harbin Ann Wallace

Lynda Harper Robert and Susan Warren

Ronald Howell Savannah Wooten

**David Joyner** 

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#### **JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Tyler Manring	2	Randall Pitts	14
Samantha Gould	5	Cara Blackburn	15
Clint Hunter	5	Randy Edwards	17
Carolyn Perdue	5	Kathy Harbin	20
Peggy Willard	11	Alan Hunter	25
Erin Collins	12	Baron Tate Doub	29

#### **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!

## **SERMON NOTES**

•	Where did you hear God speaking to you in today's message?
•	What main thought(s) can you use this coming week?
•	Did you hear anything new and/or different from the scripture or the message today?
•	What reaffirmed or challenged you?
•	Additional thoughts and/or ideas?