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PROGRAM

LOCATION	TIME
Coffee Fellowship Time	Fellowship Hall (L.L.) 9:00 a.m.
Worship	Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.
Infant, Toddler, Preschool & School Age Child Care	South Hallway 9:30 a.m.

CHURCH STAFF

POSITION	PERSON	CONTACT
Designated Pastor	J. Martin Westermeyer	Shaman4@zoomtown.com
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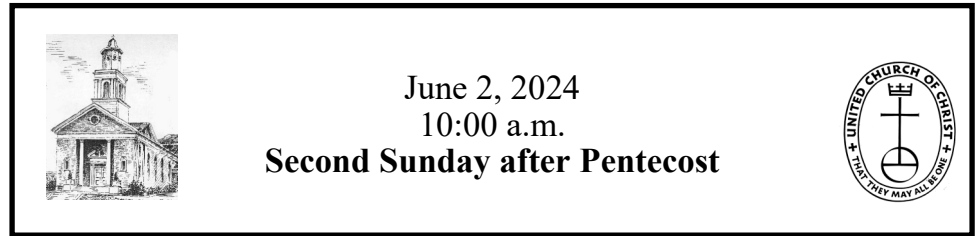
CHURCH LEADERS

PERSON	POSITION	CONTACT
Kyle Taylor	Church President	859-394-5256
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Church Office Hours

Monday	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday	Closed
Friday	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Calls will be answered off-site on days when the office is closed.



Thought for the Day before Worship

Christian unity and community relies less on what we believe to be true about Christ and more on what Christ believes to be true about us.

*All who are able are welcome to stand

Welcome

Prelude

Prelude on "St. Denio"

(Austin Lovelace)

Tower Bell

*Call to Worship

The Church's people are mortal, and therefore weak compared to the mighty power of God. **Our weakness is often revealed when we struggle with the problems of our world.**

But our weakness also demonstrates that it is God's power which makes us, who are weak, victorious!

We commit ourselves to be instruments of God, that our weakness may reveal true victory in Jesus Christ.

Let us Worship the God who empowers us with the Holy Spirit.

*Hymn #48

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

(St. Denio)

*Prayer of Invocation

O God, Creator of light, we rejoice in the sunrise of each day, whether it is covered by clouds or brilliant with the colors of morning. We celebrate your glory revealed in the face of Jesus Christ. We live in the light your Spirit spreads in our minds and hearts, thankful for new understanding of your purpose for us, for fresh courage to face problems.

Cure us, healing Christ, on this and every day of rest, that being restored in body, mind, and spirit, we may do what is good, learn what is helpful, and return to our daily work invigorated and inspired. We praise you: light above us, light beside us, light within us, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

***Gloria Patri** *(Greatorrex)*

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**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.**

From the Books of the Law: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Observe the Sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

From the Letters of Paul: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus's sake. For it is the God who said, "Light will shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way but not crushed, perplexed but not driven to despair, persecuted but not forsaken, struck down but not destroyed, always carrying around in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For we who are living are always being handed over to death for Jesus's sake, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us but life in you.

Solo

“The Power Of Your Love” (Bullock/arr. Lloyd Larson)
(Jean Nutgrass ~ Soloist)

Lord I come to You
Let my heart be changed renewed
Flowing from the grace
That I've found in You

I'll rise up like the eagle
And I will soar with You
Your Spirit leads me on
In the power of Your love

Lord I've come to know
The weaknesses I see in me
Will be stripped away
By the power of Your love

Lord unveil my eyes
Let me see You face to face
The knowledge of Your love
As You live in me

Hold me close
Let Your love surround me
Bring me near
Draw me to Your side
as I walk

Lord renew my mind
As Your will unfolds in my life
In living everyday
By the power of Your love

Welcoming and Leading Us This Morning

Preaching Today: J. Martin Westermeyer

Liturgist: Kyle Taylor

Organist: Michael Sullivan

Choral Director: Dr. Dobin Park

Sound Technician: Robert Pettus

Greeters: David Stamm & Bertie Jo Tuerpe

Ushers: Steve Twehues, Ralph Schoulthies & Mike Hanson

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This Week

Sunday, June 2: 10:00 a.m. Worship Service/Communion Sunday

Monday, June 3: 7:00 p.m. AA & Al-Anon Meeting

Tuesday, June 4: 6:30 p.m. East Row Historic Foundation Meeting
7:00 p.m. NA Meeting

Thursday, June 6: 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Yoga Class Fellowship Hall

Saturday, June 8: 9:00 a.m. AA Meeting
10:00 a.m. Leadership Team Meeting

Sunday, June 9: 10:00 a.m. Worship Service/Graduate Recognition Sunday

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GO IN PEACE, SERVE THE LORD

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Hearing Assistance

We have wireless receivers for the hearing impaired which you may obtain from an usher.

Pastoral Care Notice

If a pastoral care need arises, please contact the church office at (859) 431-1818 and we will get a message to Pastor Marty or Pastor John Robson to contact you.

In Our Prayers

Judy Adams, Joan Berkemeyer, Norma Biery, Family of Judy Gadd, Flo Grey, Betty Jo Haas, Phil Hamilton, Marilyn Hanson, Melvin Hanson, Betty Hasse, Chuck Hawkins, Family of Annette LaCroix, Henry Marksberry, Gayle McAtee, Family of Bill Seibert, Ed Von Strohe, Bonnie Walter & Betty Webster

Continued Prayerful Support

Homebound members.
Those in assisted living and nursing homes.
Church Leadership Team, Ministry Teams, and all our church leaders.
Designated Pastor Rev. J. Martin Westermeyer
Pastor of Visitation John Robson

Homebound Member of the Week

Our homebound member of the week is Pam Maloney. Take a moment this week to send her a card or give her a call as we celebrate Pam as our member of the week!

Her address is:
Pam Maloney
Parkside Manor
317 Oddville Pike #B
Cynthiana, KY 41031

Children's Activity Bags

Activity bags for the children are located at each entrance of the church. Feel free to pick up a bag for your child (children) to work on during the worship service. When the service is done just drop the bags off at each exit so that we may replenish the bags for the following week.

Audio Recordings of Our Sunday Services

Did you miss a Sunday service or would like to hear one over again? You can get a CD audio recording of any service each week down on the table located at the North Lobby entrance. The recordings are separated by date so just look for the service you want to hear and take it home.

Online Video Worship Services

You can view our online video Sunday worship services through our church website: www.stjohnsuccnewport.org, our Church's Facebook Page or YouTube Channel (just search our church's name on Facebook/YouTube) and through the Constant Contact weekly email, (just click the online worship button at the bottom of the page). Hope you enjoy the services!

From the Gospels: Mark 2:23-3:6

One Sabbath he was going through the grain fields, and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food, how he entered the house of God when Abiathar was high priest and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions?" Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for humankind and not humankind for the Sabbath, so the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They were watching him to see whether he would cure him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the Sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

Sermon

"The Sabbath is God's Day" Rev. J. Martin Westermeyer

***Hymn #695**

"As We Gather At Your Table" (Beach Spring)

Gathering Together in Prayer

Joys & Concerns – Silent Prayer – Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**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 and ever. Amen.**

Response

(Amazing Grace)

**The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.**

Offertory Invitation

How can we make sure that others will hear the good news that has meant so much to us? How will they learn to build their houses on rock, not on sand? Who will be present to help when the rains fall and the winds blow and people feel beaten and alone? The church is present as a visible embodiment of God's care. It is our thankful support that continues to make this possible.

Offertory

“Hymn of Promise”
(Jean Nutgrass-Soloist)

(Natalie Sleeth)

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there’s a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There’s a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
There’s a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity,
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost Amen

(Old 100th)

***Prayer of Dedication**
Receive these gifts brought by your gathered people. Use these offerings, and use us, in the service of Christ Jesus: shedding light into darkened places; seeking justice in oppressive situations; proclaiming the gospel where its gift and freedom are in short supply; tending to the needs in this community for ministry and sanctuary and programs for young and old. That all may be done to your glory. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Celebrating God’s Word in Sacrament
Communion is Open to ALL: saint and sinner, lost and found, believer and seeker.
We partake of the bread together to symbolize our unity and community as God’s people.
We shall partake of the cup individually to symbolize our solitariness
as we each stand alone before our God

***Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed**
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the one holy universal Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation

Eucharistic Prayer

Consecration of the Elements

Partaking of the Lord's Supper
As is our tradition, the Elements of Communion are held until all are served
and partake at the direction of the Pastor.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)**
Almighty God, we give you thanks for the gift of our Savior's presence, in the simplicity and splendor of this holy meal. Unite us with all who are fed by Christ's body and blood, that we may faithfully proclaim the Good News of your love, and that your universal church may be a beacon of hope in an uncertain world; through Jesus the Christ, in whose name we rejoice to pray. Amen.

*Hymn #712

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”
(Ash Grove)

*Benediction

Postlude

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”
(Dale Wood)

WELCOME!
Welcome to this house of prayer and worship!
We pray that your experience of worship will deepen your faith and prepare you for the week ahead. We believe God’s Spirit is present in our listening to the Word and our response of discipleship. In our greeting of one another we sense the presence of Christ.
May you know His grace and peace today!
Please sign the guest register when it comes to your seat.



Flowers at the pulpit are provided by the church.
If you or anyone you know would benefit from the beauty and joy of the arrangement, please feel free to take them.

Open flower dates are June 9th & 30th
To reserve your special date, please call the church office.