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From the Pastor

Our Eastertide journey takes a turn this Sunday, the sixth Sunday of Eastertide. On each of the first five Sundays of Eastertide, we explored an account of Jesus' appearing to people after the resurrection. We've pondered what those encounters might teach us now about God's understanding of creation, creation's understanding of God and the relationship between the two. This Sunday we'll pondered those same things by exploring the birth of the early church after Jesus' resurrection. The church was birthed by the power of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

In preparation for worship Sunday, I invite you to read Acts 2:37-42 which occurs after the Holy Spirit has descended upon those gathered in Jerusalem. The people had a powerful reaction to what they had seen and heard about God's love for creation from the prophets to the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. What moments do you remember experiencing God's boundless love and mercy? When have you been "cut to the heart" (Acts 2:37) or when your heart was, in the words of John Wesley, "Strangely warmed? What continues to make you curious, to wonder, to seek connection with God?

Then, read and pray about Acts 2:43-47. As folks sought to acknowledge God's claim on them, they created interconnected communities of compassion and care. Why? How might the Spirit be using this story to understand more deeply God's relationship to creation, creation's relationship to God and creation's relationship to itself? How might the Spirit be speaking to us through this story to understand these relationship today as individual disciples and as an interconnection faith community?

Click [here](#) for the worship bulletin. Worship is streamed on the [UPC website](#) and [YouTube](#) channel.

Peace, Pastor Lisa

Outdoor Work Day
Saturday, May 9th 8:30am – 11:30am

Weather permitting we'll be stewarding our beautiful facility by trimming and weeding. Wear sunscreen. Bring appropriate tools and your water bottle. Come



when you can. Stay as long as you are able. Many hands make light work. ?'s: Contact [Bob Janes](#).

Opportunities to Serve

As the Body of Christ, we all have gifts, talents and abilities to share. Lending a hand to help lead Sunday worship or caring for our facility is one simple but important way to serve Christ and each other. Brochures with more info are available in the sanctuary. You may sign up on [the SignUp Genius website](#) and/or by scanning this QR code.



HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR

MIND/BODY/SPIRIT
HEALTHY HABITS FOR ALL AGES
NUTRITION & EDUCATION
CHILDRENS ZONE
HEALTH SCREENING

Saturday, May 16
11 AM-3 PM
Parking @ Kroger

StoryPoint 9255 US 42 Union, KY 41091

StoryPoint and City of Union are hosting their 1st annual Health and Wellness Fair this May! Ready to boost your health and have some fun? Swing by the Union Health and Wellness Fair in person! Explore cool wellness tips, grab freebies, and connect with health pros in a laid-back vibe. Whether you're into fitness, nutrition, or mental wellness, there's something here for everyone. Don't miss out and start your wellness journey with us!

This is fun for the whole family with Pony rides, juggling, hula hoop lessons, and health advice and care for all ages!

Derby Day Part Deux Hat Contest Winners

We had a great time after worship on Sunday sharing Derby Day potluck, playing some Derby-related games and enjoying the inaugural Derby Day Part Deux Hat Contest. Cheryl Martinez won Most Colorful Hat. Ollie Seidman won Most Creative Hat. Pastor Lisa won Funniest Hat. (What you can't see in the picture is the rhinestone cowboy hat decorate with Jesus riding a horse.) And, Iris Daniel won Best All-Around Hat. You have almost a whole year to start planning your 2027 chapeau.



Huge thanks to our Deacons for a fabulous time of fellowship!

Please be in prayer for our newly elected officers!

Please be in prayer for our officers elect: Kevin Dern and Mark Highland – elders; Hayden Monson, Ruth Ann Sloan and Sheila Wenstrup – deacons. They have completed two training sessions. They are reading, praying, composing personal statements of faith and preparing to be examined by the Session on May 17th. They will be ordained and installed on Pentecost Sunday May 24th.

Community Garden
Garden With Us!

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plots left!

**Union Presbyterian Church
Community Garden**
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\$40 Per Plot

Plots are 4'x8' and include garden shed and water access.

all proceeds benefit
ABRAHAM'S PANTRY

Community Garden Plots Available NOW

Spring is here, and it's time to get growing! We have a limited number of garden plots available for the 2026 season—and we'd love to have you join our gardening community. Whether you're a seasoned gardener or just getting started, our garden is a great place to grow your own vegetables, flowers, and herbs while connecting with others in the community. \$40 per plot for the whole season. Sign up & pay on the [website](#). ?'s: Contact [Beverly Johnson](#)

NKY African Festival Saturday, May 23rd 12pm – 4pm

KAWA (Kentucky African Women Alliance) is coming back to UPC for a 2nd year in a row to offer their festival to the community. The festival includes African music and dance, traditional African food, cultural performances, handmade



crafts and fashion, and more. The family-friendly fun is for all ages. We had a blast last year! Bring your family & friends.



Graduate Recognition Sunday, May 31st

We want to celebrate with ALL the graduates – preschool, kindergarten, elementary, middle school, high school, college, advanced degrees, whatever. Please send the [church office](#) a picture of your graduate (baby pic and current pic for high school seniors) and all the pertinent info. Church membership not required for celebration. If you're celebrating someone close to you, we want to celebrate with you.

NKY Pride Sunday, June 7th

Plans are underway. UPC has a spot in the parade and a booth at the festival. If you'd like to help plan (esp. if you have float ideas) and/or want to join the fun, sign up in the narthex or on the [website](#).



Schedule for This Week

6th Sunday of Eastertide Sunday, May 10th

9:30am Choir Warm-Up
10am Worship

Sunday School after worship for
K-3rd, 4th - 7th & adults

Monday, May 11th

9:30am Chair Yoga
7pm Boy Scouts Troop 805

Tuesday, May 12th

6:30pm Deacons-elect training
Cub Scouts Pack 3805

Wednesday, May 13th

9:30am Chair Yoga
6:30pm Choir Practice
8pm AA

Friday, May 15th

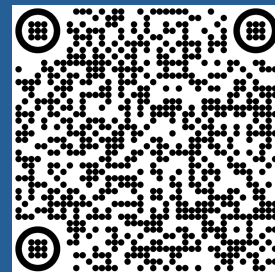
9:30am Chair Yoga

7th Sunday of Eastertide



BIRTHDAYS

- 5/16 - Brian Fry,
Danni Kavanaugh
- 5/19 - Jacob Brooks
- 5/21 - Andrea Vanzant
- 5/22 - Molly Gilbert
- 5/26 - Chelsea Tolle
- 5/28 - April Merkel
- 5/31 - Brennen Ball
- 6/4 - Devon Golden
- 6/5 - Kevin Ball
- 6/10 - Donna Shupe
- 6/11 - Phil Ruwe
- 6/15 - Sarah Huddleston
- 6/16 - Asher Pears



Online Giving

You may give online or via text through the [UPC website](#). You can make a one time gift or set up a recurring gift. You may make a memorial or honorary gift and even pay for youth conferences. The online transaction processes the gift from your checking account, savings account, credit card or debit card and is secured through Global Payment Services which integrates with Servant Keeper, our membership program.

Sunday, May 17th

9:30am Choir Warm-Up

10am Worship

After worship, called Session and Deacons meeting to examine officers-elect.

ANNIVERSARIES

5/12 - Tim & Lynn

Jasensky;

Brian & Laura Pears

5/22 - Tim & Grace

Daniel

5/29 - Romanus & Yani

Wirasakti

6/3 - Gwen Coleman &

Mark Highland

Bob & Jacque Sherwood

6/9 - Ed & Sue

Dobrzykowski

6/12 - Vince & Laura

Buckley

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