## "The Steeple"



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## **Summer Worship Hours:**

Beginning <u>Sunday</u>, <u>May 25</u> through August 31, our worship will begin at

9 am followed by Fellowship at 10 am. There will be no Sunday School through the summer.

We pray for...
Heather Clark
Nolan Collins
Pat Kuhns
Tish McKee
Connor Pashek
Dean Schantz
Nancy Triplett
Ruth Wagley
Ilene Holmes



Those known only to God

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." Philippians 4:6

Coming Up...

Sunday, May 25 – Sixth Sunday of Easter 9 am – Worship, Rev. Ioan Ittu 10 am – Fellowship

Monday, May 26 – Memorial Day Church Office Closed

Wednesday, May 28

**Artful Devotions** 

10 am — Coffee with Pastor Dave

4 pm – Bible Study

Thursday, May 29 - Ascension of the Lord Sunday, June 1 - Seventh Sunday of Easter 9 am - Worship, Rev. Dave Endriss

Communion

10 am - Fellowship

Looking Ahead: June 7 – Airing of the Quilts; chicken salad sandwich lunch from 11-1. Let Pam Deichmann or Ruth Reed know if you can help! Needed: workers, monetary donations, fruit.



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The Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. Psalm 71 testifies that a foundation of faith established during childhood helps ensure lifelong faith and service. The patterns and lessons established during these

formative years continue to bear fruit throughout a person's life. By receiving the Pentecost Offering, you are nurturing the faith of children, youth, and young adults. Please give as you are able on June 8. Envelopes for this offering are on the table just outside the sanctuary. Please earmark your check "Pentecost". And don't forget to wear **red** on Pentecost Sunday, June 8!

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## ASCENSION OF THE LORD - MAY 29



Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." (John 20:17)

And he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. (Luke 24:50-51)

And said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." (Acts 1:11)

After His resurrection, Jesus appeared to His disciples, friends, and others. Forty days after his body was resurrected, Jesus and His disciples went up to Mount Olivet, where Jesus promised them that the Holy Spirit would come to give them strength and power to be witnesses to all nations for God's glory. After saying these things, Jesus ascended into heaven, meaning a literal bodily return to heaven. Many onlookers saw and bore witness on that day of Jesus's ascension. As a cloud began to hide Jesus as he ascended, two angels appeared to the disciples and promised that Christ would "come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." The Transfiguration is a glimpse of Jesus' future glory, whereas the Ascension is the fulfillment of that glory.