



What comes to mind when you hear the word *Pentecost*? Many people think of a mighty wind, tongues of fire and multiple languages. But Acts 2 begins with another detail that's just as key: Jesus' disciples "were all together in one

place." Because they were together physically and spiritually, the early believers didn't miss the life-changing, world-changing birth of the Church.

The pandemic, while changing our definition of gathering, also highlighted our need for interaction. If Jesus' first followers hadn't been assembled on Pentecost, they would've missed the outpouring of God's power and the indescribable joy God had for them. Think about what believers today might miss if we neglect to worship with other friends of Christ. Who would want to miss God's blessings, promises and joy? --copied

This Sunday, May 23 is Pentecost Sunday. We hope you will come and experience "Pentecost" with us here at First United Methodist Church!



## SUNDAY, MAY 23

9:00 a.m. Come AZ U R Service
9:50 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
11:00 a.m. Live Stream Worship

MONDAY, MAY 24 Aldersgate Day 9-12 noon Methodist Market

SATURDAY, MAY 29

9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 23. Nicholas Carter, Tatum Reeves
- 24. Linda Ketchum, Stella Melton
- 26. Elsie Patterson
- 29. Mike Phillips, Kathy Lee
- 29. Mr. & Mrs. Archie Edgar



## Vacation Bible School

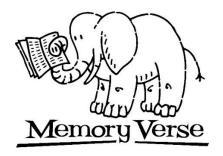
If there is anyone interested in helping with Bible School, please contact the church office or Tera. The church would like to have a 3-day Bible School at the end of June, but we <u>must have volunteers</u> in order to move forward. The tentative dates are Monday, June 28 - Wednesday, June 30.



Russell Seward Perry

Paula & Duke Edwards M/M Jim Oakes

# **Children's Page**



"The Lord's power was with them, and a large number came to believe and turned to the Lord."

Acts 11:21



This Sunday we continue to talk about the calling of the first Christians and how the early church worked and supported one another. Our lesson this Sunday gives us insights as to how the early believers shared what they

had with one another. Even today, this idea is still being practiced. Our church family reaches out to help other members and those in the community.

## P22 Ministries & Planet 456:

As the school year is coming to an end, so are we. We have concluded with our Children's Sunday Bible Study. Please be watching for activities that are being planned for the summer.



# **Youth Sunday School**

During the month of May we have been studying the series, *A Time for Courage*. The lesson this week is "Keep Looking Up." This lesson will be based off the story of Nehemiah. This lesson is a reminder that God isn't a God who just rescues us in hard times, but He is with us through the good, bad, hard and easy times. We must never take our eyes off God, remain focused on Him.

# **Sunday Night Youth**

The Youth Group will be on a break for a few weeks, but we will resume in the Summer for several outings and activities.

# Sunday, May 23, 2021

GreetersSammy & Claire Burnham/Denny & Brenda PaulScriptureActs 2:14-21, 36-41Sermon**"The Gift of the Holy Spirit"**AcolytesMaddie Canard/Myla WallaceFlowersMyra Dunlap

## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

### MAY

## **23. Pentecost**

24. Only with cleared vision

25. A memorial to deliverance

26. Proclaiming Christ's gift

27. The days of creation

28. What are human beings?

29. Live in peace

### John 7:37-39

Luke 6:39-42 Joshua 4:1-7 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 Genesis 1:1-2:4a Psalm 8 2 Corinthians 13:11-13