

FAITH GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH
The Rev. Dr. Jonathan Hanover, Pastor
May 17, 2026 Ascension Sunday

ANNOUNCEMENTS *indicates the congregation may stand.

PRELUDE 8:00 "Whispering Hope"
10:30 "Just As You Are"

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout out to God with loud songs of joy.

People: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

Leader: Jesus said, "You will be my witnesses to the ends of the earth."

People: We come to worship the ascended Christ, who reigns in glory.

Leader: Come, let us worship the King of kings.

People: Alleluia! Christ is exalted!

***OPENING HYMN "Crown Him With Many Crowns" #278**

OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

O God of glory, your Son Jesus Christ suffered for us and ascended to your right hand. Unite us with Christ and each other, in suffering and in joy, that all your children may be drawn into your bountiful dwelling. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Ephesians 1:15-23 #192

Leader: This is the Word of God! For the people of God!

People: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Gina Biltz

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHOIR ANTHEM "Down to the River to Pray/Lord, Listen to Your Children"

***DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

***PRESENTATION OF GIFTS**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)**

Majestic God, your love is a shelter of peace and hope. You calm our fears and nourish our dreams. Accept these offerings as signs of our joy and trust. May they be used to serve your world with faithfulness and praise. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE "Be Thou My Vision" #49**

INTRODUCTION TO THE MESSAGE

MESSAGE LESSON Acts 1:4-11 #118

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

MESSAGE The Holy Moment of O Crap (Living in Expectation series)

***RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

The Apostles' Creed (In Unison) #691
(NRSV) Pg. 234

GLORIA PATRI *Glory Be to the Father

***CLOSING HYMN "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" #603**

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor: I bless you with the sure knowledge that Christ has paid the full price for your redemption, once and for all time.

People: We are set free to be a blessing to all we meet this week, as we eagerly await Christ's return.

Pastor: Go now, as people of the resurrection.

**People: We go, knowing that Christ has conquered death.
 We go, knowing that whatever may happen this week,
 Christ will bring us through.**

POSTLUDE

We are blessed to have the following volunteers
 to help with today's service.:

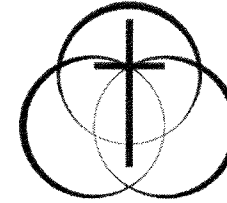
AV Coordinators- Colton & Melissa Kalmar
 Video/Digital Production- Sam & Lisa Popovich

8:00 AM

Worship Leader- Bill Graham
 Pianist- Alyssa Wells
 Hymn Leader- Bud Robinson
 Acolyte-
 Greeters- Ron & Nancy Smalley

10:30 AM

Worship Leader – Bonnie Kocon
 Pianist- Holly Kwaczala
 Organist- Wendy Kelly
 Hymn Leader- Bud Robinson
 Acolyte- Nick Popovich & Jane Teslevich
 Greeters- Kathy Thurston



**Faith Global Methodist Church
 Ascension Sunday
 May 17, 2026**



In-person attendance week ending 05/10/2026 = 194	
Tithes, offerings, and gifts received for the week ending 05/10/2026	
OUR GIVING IS A REFLECTION OF OUR COMMITMENT TO JESUS CHRIST!	
2026 Annual Operating Budget: \$355,556.71	
NEED EACH WEEK	\$ 6,837.63
NEED TO DATE	\$ 130,124.97
RECEIVED 05/10/26	\$ 7,218.00
RECEIVED TO DATE	\$181,978.40
(-)SHORTAGE/(+)SURPLUS + \$ 51,853.43	
CAMPERSHIP GOAL 7/1/2025-6/30/2026:	\$ 10,000.00
Balance as of May 10, 2026	\$ 9,718.03
CROATIA GOAL 01/01/2026-12/31/2026:	\$ 2,500.00
Received as of May 10, 2026	\$3,790.00

FGMC ANNOUNCEMENTS 05.17.26

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2. Jay - has cancer
3. Henry - Joe, feeling very ill
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6. Debbie McDevitt - having surgery Monday morning at Shadyside Hospital
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9. Dan Shaffer- ice carver who injured himself

Prayer requests to mention week of May 10th

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2. Vatali Dorosh- weakness, losing weight and heart concern
3. Baby Rowan- prayers for doctors to help Rowan find relief from pain and for strength for family
4. Marcy- a friend of Joann Parson- very ill in the hospital
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Continued prayers for:

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