



*Sunday, May 10th 2026  
Sixth Sunday of Easter*

**Welcome and Invitations**

**Rev. Steve Taylor**

**\*Call to Worship:**

**Rev. Steve Taylor**

*Easter people, no matter the bends and curves in our path, Jesus does not leave us alone on this journey of faith.*

**God gives us the Spirit, our Advocate and Helper.**

*The Spirit lives in and among us, pointing us all toward the way, the truth, and the life of Jesus.*

**God gives us the Spirit, our Guide and Guardian.**

*The Spirit draws us into God's story, showing us how to cooperate in writing God's dream into reality.*

**God gives us the Spirit, our Dream-Giver and Story-Keeper.**

*Easter people, God's story abides in you, calling you to live as co-creators of love and abundant life.*

**We come to worship God and listen for the Spirit who inspires, guides, and helps us join in God's story, until God's Kingdom comes on Earth as it is in Heaven. Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise:**

**UMH 408**

*The Gift of Love*

**Prayer Request/Pastoral Prayer/Lord's Prayer**

**Rev. Steve Taylor**

**\*Songs of Praise**

**Praise Band**

*Always*

*Hosanna (Praise is Rising)*

**\* Offering/Offertory**

**Rev. Steve Taylor  
Jill Mansfield**

*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*



**\*Doxology**

**UMH 94**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*Scripture:**

**Rev. Steve Taylor**

*John 14: 15-21(NIV)*

*The Word of God for the People of God*  
**Thanks be to God**

**\*Children's Moment**

**Rev. Steve Taylor**

**\*Sermon**

**Rev. Steve Taylor**

*The Spirit Is Coming*

**\*Hymn of Reflection**

**UMH 384**

*Love Divine, All Love's Excelling*

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**UMH 885**

**A Modern Affirmation**

*Where the Spirit of the Lord is,  
there is the one true church, apostolic and  
universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:*

**We believe in God the Father,  
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,  
whose mercy is over all his works,**



and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.  
**We believe in Jesus Christ,**  
Son of God and Son of man,  
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,  
the ground of our hope,  
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.  
**We believe in the Holy Spirit**  
as the divine presence in our lives,  
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance  
of the truth of Christ,  
and find strength and help in time of need.  
**We believe that this faith should manifest itself**  
in the service of love  
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,  
to the end  
that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

**\*Closing Song**

*Anxious Heart*

**Praise Band**

**\*Sending Forth**

**Rev. Steve Taylor**

**\*Postlude**



# Announcements and Information

<b>Coming Up This Week At Epworth UMC</b>	
<b>Sunday, May 10th:</b> <b>Happy Mother's Day</b> <b>"Boiler Room" Prayer Gathering</b> <i>West Wing/Chapel</i>	4:00pm
<b>TUESDAY, MAY 12TH:</b> <b>FOOD PANTRY</b>	1:00pm - 4:00pm
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH:</b> <b>FOOD PANTRY</b> <b>Women's Ensemble Rehearsal</b> <i>West Wing/2nd Floor/Choir Room</i>	1:00pm - 4:00pm 6:00pm - 7:00pm
<b>THURSDAY, MAY 14TH:</b> <b>FOOD PANTRY</b>	1:00pm - 4:00pm
<b>Friday, May 15th:</b> <b>Day School Graduation</b>	9:30am - 11:00am
<b>SUNDAY, MAY 17TH:</b> <b>BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP</b> <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> <b>WORSHIP</b> <b>"BOILER ROOM" PRAYER GROUP</b>	8:30am-9:00am 9:00am-10:00am 10:15am-11:30am 4:00pm-5:00pm
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<b><i>Birthdays</i></b> <b>May 13<sup>th</sup></b> Angie Lewis	



**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

U.S. Military	Darleen Harrison	Larry & Sara Jacobson
Law Enforcement	Jim & Rita Roles	Jeanie Bledsoe
First Responders	Donna Bingaman	Megan Colvin
Naomi Dean	Marsha Alexander	Yuvanah James
Roy Flugge	Lou Parrish	Jim & Stella Allen
Shirley Hays	Lilly Watson	Kerry Caywood

Euella Spoonemore - Mother of Debbie Clark  
Eric Little - Nephew of Suzan Colvin  
Jason Little-Nephew of Suzan Colvin  
Toni Clive - Sister of Jeanne Mather  
David Watson - Father of Benjamin Watson  
Barbara Taylor - Mother of Rev. Steve Taylor  
John Holdeman - Brother of Jeanne Mather  
Jeanice McDonald - Sister of Janice Smith  
Cindy Blevins - Friend of Brenda Davidson  
Terry & Kristy Fancher - Friends of Tim Brauer  
Sarah McGovern-Daughter of Judy Jernigan  
Twila Long - Sister-In Law of Susan Gearhart  
Ann Barrows - Mother of Liz Taylor  
Family of Randy Holcomb

**SERVICE TIMES**

**Sunday Mornings:**

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Sunday School All Ages  
10:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Worship Service  
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. "Boiler Room" Prayer Group

