

Prelude ~ Pam Campbell, organist

Welcome & Announcements  
Worship Leader: Susie Haver

**Christ's Light Enters**  
(• Please stand as you are able)

**\*Call to Worship**

We have come to celebrate the birthday of the church!

**We have come to celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit!**

We have come to celebrate Pentecost and to open ourselves to God's Spirit that it might fill us!

**We bring praise and song, joy and laughter before God!**  
**Let the world hear our praises!**

**\*Opening Hymn** "O Church of God, United"  
#547

**\*Opening Prayer**

**God of grace, you sent the promised gift of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and the women; upon Mary, the mother of Jesus, and upon his brothers. Fill your church with power. Kindle flaming hearts within us, and cause us to proclaim your mighty works in every tongue, that all may know and receive your love and grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gospel Reading John 14:8-17, 25-27

Children's Moment

New Testament Reading Acts 2:1-21

**Sermon** "Real Church"  
**Rev. Melanie Adams**

**Prayer Song** "We Are the Church" #558

**Time of Prayer**

*(Where have you seen God's presence? What joys and concerns are in your hearts and minds?)*

Lord's Prayer #895

**Offertory** with meditation song

**\*Doxology** #94

**\*Offertory Prayer [Unison]**

**Thank you, God, for the opportunity to share in your creative and restorative work among your people.**

**Because you have blessed us, we have much to give. These offerings express our gratitude and our aspiration to be more fully your own loyal community through the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen**

**\*Closing Song** "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" #2241

**\*Our Purpose**

What is our purpose?

**To provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and BECOME his disciples.**

**BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!**

**\*Benediction**

Postlude ~



**PRAYERS**

Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests.

Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God's Love is the answer for the most difficult questions of our world today. Jesus changes lives!

**7:40 Prayer initiative**

**Set your phones to remind yourself to stop at 7:40 am and/or 7:40 pm each day to pray for our Church and the mission and ministry we are called to do.**

**Events this week in church:**

**Sunday, May 23, 2021**

- 9:30am Crusaders
- 9:30am Searchers
- 10:30am Worship Service
- 2:00pm Fishing for Fellowship

**Wednesday, May 26, 2021**

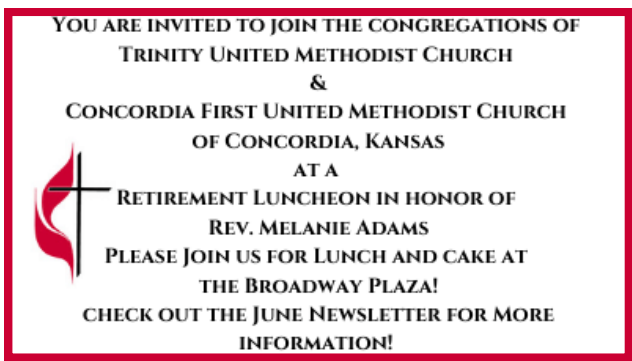
- 5:00pm Sitting with Jesus

**Sunday, May 30, 2021**

- 9:30am Crusader
- 9:30am Searchers
- 10:30am Worship Service



**Welcome to our guests!** We are glad you are here. We hope you were blessed by your experience at First United Methodist Church this morning and will tell a friend.



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