

Hopkins United Methodist Church

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements



Moments of Praise

Lord, Be Glorified

CH 186



Greeting and Call to Worship

L: As the weak realize their strength;
as the poor eat and are satisfied,

All: God's love abides in us.

L: As the stranger finds a friend;
as the family offers forgiveness,

All: God's love abides in us.

L: As the ends of the earth know of Christ's grace,
All: God's love abides in us.

WORD

*Scripture Lesson

1 John 4:7-21

7 Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. 9 God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. 10 In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 11 Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

13 By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. 14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. 15 God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. 16 So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. 17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection



in love. 19 We love because he first loved us. 20 Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. 21 The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

L: The Word of God to the People of God

All: Thanks be to God

Children's Time

Sermon

Pastor Kelsey

RESPONSE

Special Music

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

CH 90



Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Passing of the Peace

TABLE

Offering & Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.



SEND

*Closing Song

I Love You, Lord

CH 78



*Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude

WORSHIP INSIDE AT HOPKINS UMC

A few specifics/guidelines to help keep us all as safe as possible:

- Offering will be collected as you walk in or out of the church.
Loose change offering will also be there.
- **Masks** are required.
- We will follow **social distancing** regulations.
- There will be no moving around for passing of the peace.
- We encourage **no singing**, if you must, **please only hum**.
- There is now Sunday School/Children's Church in the basement with vaccinated volunteers. Kids will maintain safety restrictions while in Sunday School.
- Each family has an assigned "worship bag" with activities and supplies for their kids to play with during the service.
- Please be cautious with mingling, try to do it outside if weather allows.
- We will be sharing the service over Zoom live.

Getting Connected

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| To receive church updates | text HopkinsUMC to 84576 or
flocknote.com/HopkinsUMC |
| To give electronically | hopkinsumchurch.org/give |
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Hopkins United Methodist Church

Affecting Lives Through Jesus Christ



South Monterey

United Methodist Church

Announcements May 2, 2021

May 5 - Becoming Brave Brainstorming Meeting, 6-7:30pm

May 8 - FFA Chicken BBQ 4-7pm at Hopkins HS. Drive thru only.

May 9 - Worship, 9:30am at SMUMC, 11am at HUMC
Zoom into Worship at 11am with HUMC

May 23 - Pentecost, baptisms, and starting summer schedule

ISO Ad Board Secretary

The Ad Board is in need of a recording Secretary. The Secretary is responsible for being at meetings and writing down what happens, typing it up and submitting them to be printed for the next meeting. If you have been thinking about wanting to step up into a leadership role, this is a great foot in the door!

Drive Thru Chicken BBQ - \$12/meal

Saturday, May 8th from 4-7pm at Hopkins High School
Sponsored by the Hopkins FFA Alumni.

The meal includes half a chicken, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, cole slaw, roll and dessert.

Summer Worship Schedule

On Pentecost, May 23, we will officially start our **Summer Worship Schedule: 10am at Common Ground**, together with both churches. Bring your chairs and we will spread out around the yard and join together in a more casual worship setting.

As part of celebrating Pentecost we will be offering **baptism** for anyone who has yet to be baptized and would like to be. We have had many babies join our church family, but adults are also welcome. Talk with Pastor Kelsey if you would like yourself or your child to be baptized!

Offering Mailing Information

South Monterey

Carl Collier
2547 127th Ave.
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Hopkins

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Need a listening ear or help processing all that has gone on this year?

Pastor Kelsey is available for pastoral care meetings. Email or call her to schedule a visit.

Prayers Requests and Thanksgivings

We pray with thanksgiving for... COVID vaccine, the 6 babies in our church family, Andrea & Nathan Caldwell (Carl Collier's Granddaughter) expecting; Food Pantry building; those who have gotten jobs; multiple surgeries and recoveries going well.

We pray God's blessing for... Bert & Jim Tew; Tadd Heft; Teri (Kirstin's friend); Jim Ringler; Craig (Liam's dad); Dee Davies; Lorraine (Margaret's daughter); Dan Herrema; all caretakers; the many grieving deaths and losses; those without jobs and looking for jobs.

We pray for the church and for the world... Increasing Homeless populations across the US; Ongoing Pandemic; overwhelmed hospitals; Amelia Green our seminarian; the future of the UMC; Bishop Bard and DS Bagley; Pastor Kelsey and Brennen; immigrants and asylum seekers; all who tend and farm the land; for leadership of our nation; for first responders, health care and essential workers; for teachers, students, and families; for social and racial justice.

Share your requests! Call Pastor Kelsey (248-613-0366) or Bert Tew (269-793-7424)

May Birthdays

5 - Judy Weick	19 - Liam Salisbury
8 - Linda Burton-Collier	22 - Mary Howard
12 - Judy Beck	27 -Matthew Brinkhuis
16 - Ken Herrema	28 - Judy Kraft
18 - Amelia Green	

May Anniversary

22 - Russell and Amanda DeVries

Worship Volunteers

May: Deb Lemmer & Jim Ringler

May 2

Acolytes - Drew & Lilly
Liturgist - Sandy Ringler
Audio/Visual - Amelia Green

May 9

Acolytes - Drew & Lilly
Liturgist - Vern Kraft
Audio/Visual - Amelia Green

Being Brave Brainstorming Meeting

This Wednesday there will be a meeting to take the next step in ministering to those that are marginalized in our community.

Who: Anyone is welcome to join us! You need not have read the *Becoming Brave* book or have experience in this kind of ministry.

What: The meeting will be centered around brainstorming ministry ideas (either one-time or ongoing projects) and resource identifying within our community (what we are best set up to do already)

Where: HUM Hall

When: Wednesday, May 5, 6-7:30pm

Why: The pandemic has given us this chance to reset some of our previous ministries and has created space for some new ideas to take root. After the small group read the book “*Becoming Brave*,” we want to put our learning into action and focus something new on those that are marginalized in our community.

How: This is a one-time meeting to brainstorm ideas, by coming to the meeting you are not committing to being part of whatever idea(s) we decide to move forward on. We will meet in person, spend some time brainstorming, some time discerning our church’s and community’s pre-existing resources, and hopefully come to an option or two that we would like to put into action.

Definition: *Marginalized* - to be on the outside of the imaginary box of the dominant culture and treated as if you are insignificant and inferior. Marginalization is the purposeful disempowerment of folx that denies access to resources and power.