

*Benediction		Dr. Mays
*Choral Benediction	“O <i>Breath of God</i> ” Chancel Choir	Getty/Madeira/arr. Shackley
*Postlude	“O <i>Worship the King</i> ”	arr. Phillip Keveren

**Please stand as you are able.*

UMH—United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS—The Faith We Sing

Assisting in Worship This Morning

Acolyte.....	Athena Chen
Altar Guild.....	Ellen Sapp and Michele Young
Ushers.....	Dale Mabrey and Bill Slade
Tech Team	Michael Andrews, Jane Duskin, Jared Duskin

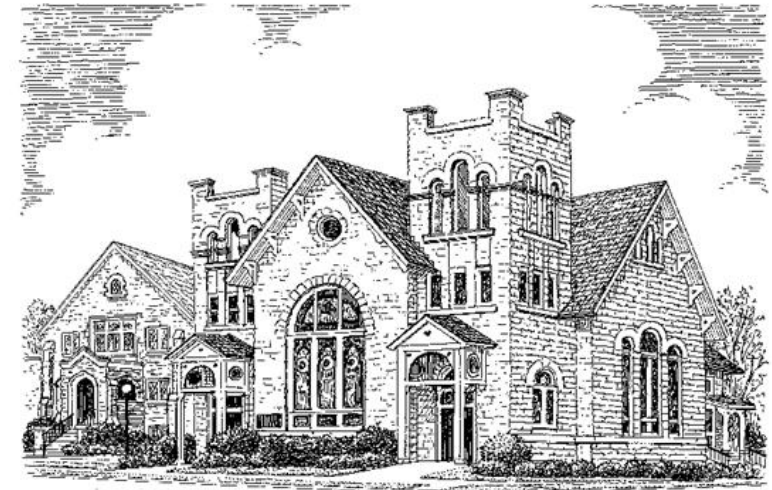
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Welcome to



May 26, 2024
Trinity Sunday



First United Methodist Church

West Point, Georgia

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Invite. Grow. Serve.

The Worship of God

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Trinity Sunday

Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Dr. Erik A. Mays
Chiming of the Hour		Gail Douglas
Prelude	"America" Gail Douglas	arr. Ruth Elaine Schram
Lighting of the Candles		Athena Chen
Choral Call to Worship	"Song for the Unsung Hero" Chancel Choir	Martin and Martin
Call to Worship		
Ascribe to God glory and strength; worship God in holy splendor. The splendor of our Creator meets us here. We are filled with awe before our God. The voice of God is powerful and full of majesty. God offers strength and peace to all people. God's voice thunders over the waters. God's strength empowers our response. Holy, holy, holy is the God of hosts. The whole earth is full of God's glory. The universe is God's dwelling place. There is no place from which God is absent.		
Opening Prayer		Dr. Mays
*Hymn	"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"	UMH #64
*Affirmation of Faith	The Apostles' Creed	UMH #881
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.		
*Gloria Patri		
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.		
*Passing of the Peace		
<i>As the children come forward, you are invited to take a few moments to greet those near you.</i>		
Children's Moment		Jan Hollis
Offertory Prayer		Dr. Mays

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory	"As the Deer" with "Fairest Lord Jesus" Gail Douglas	arr. Mark Hayes
*Doxology	Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.	
*Hymn	"Come, Thou Almighty King"	UMH #61
Prayer Praises & Concerns		
Call to Prayer	"Nothing Can Trouble" Chancel Choir	Traditional Taize
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		Dr. Mays
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.		
Anthem	"O Breath of God" Chancel Choir	Getty, Madeira/ arr. Shackley
O Breath of God, come fill this place. Revive our hearts to know Your grace. And from our slumber make us rise, that we may know the risen Christ.		
O Word of God, so clear and true, renew our minds to trust in You. And give to us the Bread of Life, that we may know the risen Christ.		
O Love of God, so unrestrained, refresh our souls in Jesus' name. Let us reflect Your sacrifice, that we may know the risen Christ.		
Scripture Reading	John 3:1-17	Dr. Mays
Sermon	"Born Anew"	Dr. Mays
*Hymn	"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"	TFWS #2223
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:		
<i>(Refrain)</i> and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.		
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand, and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: (R)		
We will work with each other, we will work side by side, we will work with each other, we will work side by side, and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride: (R)		
All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: (R)		



The church office will be closed tomorrow, May 27, in honor of Memorial Day.

On May 28, the Daytrippers will travel to LaGrange to tour the historic Bellevue Home, a stately antebellum house built between 1852 and 1855. We will have lunch at Charlie Joseph's at 12:30 and tour Bellevue at 2 pm. Cost of the trip: \$10 (which includes the tour and bus fuel) plus lunch. Call the church office to reserve your seat on the bus!



You are cordially invited to a brunch honoring Dr. Rev. Erik Mays and his family on Sunday, June 16, at 10 am in the Zachry Center. We will present Pastor Erik with a love offering as a token of appreciation for his ministry. All donations toward this gift need to be in the church office by Sunday, June 9. Please mark your checks "Pastor Gift."



Farewell Brunch

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Friday, June 7: 5-8:30 pm

Saturday, June 8: 9 am-12:30 pm

Sunday, June 9:

Church-wide lunch immediately following the 11 am worship service.

Rise Against Hunger

You are invited to participate in a meal packing experience on Sunday, June 9, following a church-wide lunch in the Zachry Center.

Contact Jan for more info or to sign up to volunteer or make a monetary donation!



Back by popular demand—We will enjoy a luau at Wednesday Night Supper on May 29.

The menu:

Ham/Pineapple Kabobs, Huli Huli Chicken, Baked Beans, Hawaiian Coleslaw, Baked Sweet Potatoes, Hawaiian Sweet Rolls, Salad Bar, and Macadamia Nut Cookies

Please Note:

This will be the last regular Wednesday Night Supper, and we will have supper every other week through the summer. Those dates (which you will be reminded of) are:

June 12 and 26 and July 10 and 24.



We are pleased to partner with Troup County School System by providing a pick up location for their summer meals program.

TCSS will distribute meals to parents/guardians that have children ages 18 or younger. They will be

distributing 7 days of breakfast and lunch meals to each parent/guardian. The meals will be frozen or room temperature items that can be quickly reheated in the microwave. They will start distributing the meals on Wednesday, June 5 and will distribute them every Wednesday through July 24. Parents will need to sign up every week by calling TCSS Central Office at 706-883-1588. They will just need to give their name and the names of the children for whom they are picking up a meal. Any child aged 18 or younger is eligible to receive these meals. They do not need to live in Troup County (or even in Georgia). The children do not need to attend school, so pre-school children are eligible for the meals, as are older children who may no longer go to school. The only thing they are required to do is call TCSS with the names/number of children each week, and then just show up to pick up the meals. **The pickup time at the church will be Wednesdays from 10:25 to 10:45 am. Please pass the word! Call the church office or pick up a flyer (available around the church) for more information.**

Welcome to West Point First United Methodist Church

Whether this is your first time with us or not, we greet you this day in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If this is your first time, we are especially glad that you're with us and pray you experience the peace and love of God through worship today. As a first time guest, please come to the side door nearest Ave C following the service so we can give you a gift to say "thank you" for coming. If you need assistance for anything, please see an usher. A Nursery for children ages 3 and under is available on the lower level.

The Patriotic Banner displayed in the sanctuary this morning was given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Haley Ector.

Prayer Concerns:

If you would like to add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact the church office.

Tornado Victims, Victims of flooding in Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil,
Janice Dallas, Lou Vallee (Church piano tuner), Will Doughtie, Chuck Bloodworth, Mary Davison,
Andy Mabrey, Davida White, Shannon Doughtie, Robert Eason, Charlie Mays, Hamp Ferguson,
Donna Keith, Jim Frank, Barbara Ruddick, Sharon Cowart, Jackie and Al Hammer,
Lisa Ann Soehnel, Alice Ward, Bentley Bryant, Sarah Auler, Margaret Bartlett, Lakin Rayfield,
Jacob Grubbs, Communities impacted by storms, fires, and earthquakes,
Communities and families impacted by violence, The war in Israel and Gaza, The war in Ukraine

New Prayer Concerns:

The Moosman and Arnold Families

This Week at WPFUMC

Sunday, May 26

..... 9:00 am: Patchwork
..... 9:45 am: Sunday School
..... 11:00 am: Morning Worship

Monday, May 27—Memorial Day

Church office closed.

Tuesday, May 28

..... 1:00 pm: Food Closet
..... 6:00 pm: AA

Wednesday, May 29

5:15 pm Kingdom Kids
..... 6:00 pm: Wednesday Night Supper
..... 7:00 pm: Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 30

..... 12:00 pm: Soup Kitchen

Friday, May 31

..... 6:45 am: Men's Prayer Breakfast