

MAY 24, 2026

11:00 AM WORSHIP

PENTECOST

- ◆ Please make sure your cell phones are turned off during worship so that you can fast from texting and other distractions. Also, please refrain from bringing food and drink into the sanctuary.
- ◆ We hope there are enough bulletins for everyone who comes to worship, but in case we run out, they are accessible online.

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Nancy

PRELUDE

Please use this time for silent meditation to center your hearts for worship.

\* CALL TO WORSHIP (READ RESPONSIVELY)

The Spirit gathers us here to receive and discern God's good news working among us.

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

The Spirit draws us together to receive and restore life-giving relationships with God and one another.

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

The Spirit knits us together to receive and renew the bonds of empathy, justice, and peace that bind us together.

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

The Holy Spirit is here, moving and working among us. Will you come and receive all the Spirit has to give?

We come to receive the Spirit's abundant and gracious gifts that we may be a people who live out God's truth and love in our neighborhood, community, and throughout all creation.

\* OPENING PRAYER (UNISON)

Send forth Your Spirit, O God, and renew the face of the earth. Dwell among us, even though Your presence will startle and unsettle us. Grant us Your peace, we pray, as justice and love pour down upon the yearning earth. AMEN.

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\* OPENING HYMN We Are the Church #558 UMH

PENTECOST PASSAGE Acts 2:1-21

INVITATION TOWARD GIVING AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Empowering God, You are the one who pours out Your Spirit on sons and daughters, on young and old, on leaders and servants alike. You have not withheld Your gifts, but have shared them freely. As Your Spirit-filled people, we now offer our gifts in response to Your boundless generosity. May our giving, like Your Spirit, be poured out without limit. AMEN.

[If you wish to support Milton United Methodist Church with your tithes and gifts, please mail them to MUMC, 1007 Church Street, Milton, WV 25541. If available, you can also give through your bank. If you wish to make a gift today, there are offering plates at the doors of the sanctuary.]

ECCHO: Over the next few months, we'll try to help ECCHO's efforts to supply breakfast and lunch items for school children who would normally have these meals provided if they were in school. Kids need easy-to-prepare items such as individual servings of mac-n-cheese, pudding, applesauce, granola bars, spaghetti rings. Also popular are peanut butter/crackers or cheese nabs, big boxes of breakfast cereal or individual-size boxes, and Pop-Tarts. You may have other ideas, too. The volunteers will be putting together bags that include items like these for children during the Summer months. Thank you!

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: The next meeting of the support group will be on Monday, June 1, at 1:30 PM, and they continue to meet on the first and third Monday of each month.

COMFORT MINISTRY: The Comfort Ministry is providing ECCHO with cloth grocery bags. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 2, at 10:30 AM.

FIFTH SUNDAY BRUNCH: Everyone is invited to attend the Fifth Sunday Brunch and Worship Service NEXT Sunday, May 31. We will meet in the fellowship hall of Bethesda UMC at 10:00 AM for brunch, followed by special music and a message from Pastor Nancy. Sign up to bring something from the list.

FREE FRIDAYS: We will serve a free hot dog lunch every Friday in June. Sign up today to help outside, in the kitchen, or to bring needed items.

PLEASE NOTE: The secretary's office hours will be flexible for the time being. We appreciate your patience and encourage you to contact us through the church's email, cell (304-955-8924), the pastor's number, or by leaving a message on the church's landline (304-743-6461).



Calendar for the Week Beginning May 24

TODAY: PENTECOST

Sunday Worship . . . . . 11:00 AM

MONDAY: MEMORIAL DAY

TUESDAY

Exercise Class . . . . . 7:00 PM

THURSDAY

T.O.P.S. . . . . 4:00—5:00 PM

Exercise Class . . . . . 7:00 PM

NEXT SUNDAY

Fifth Sunday Brunch at Bethesda UMC . . . . . 10:00 AM

LOOKING AHEAD

Free Fridays Every Friday in June

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sunday Worship . . . . . 27

Please check the prayer concerns, and let us know of those who need to be added or removed.

CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently added names are in italics.

Our elected officials; Sunday school (children, youth, & teachers); military personnel; churches & ministers; missionaries; Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett; DS Lauren Godwin; Pastor Nancy White; 130<sup>th</sup> Unit of WV Air Nat'l Guard; and

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|-----------|-----------|--------------|
| Alex S.   | Chris W.  | Neal M.      |
| Alice     | Daniel R. | Patrick      |
| Allison   | David R.  | Paul B.      |
| Arthur T. | Debbie R. | Paul G.      |
| Avery     | Diane B.  | Rose         |
| Barbara   | Emory H.  | Sandy B.     |
| Becky C.  | Jenny B.  | Stephanie J. |
| Ben H.    | Joan G.   | Steven L.    |
| Betty S.  | John B.   | Terry B.     |
| Bill Q.   | John M.   | Terry P.     |
| Brenda H. | Lisa H.   | Tim C.       |
| Brenda T. | Lorin A.  | Tim S.       |
| Carol W.  | Mary M.   | Tina B.      |
| Cathy W.  | Mike B.   | Trey B.      |
| Charlene  | Mike H.   | Wanda S.     |
| Cheryl    | Nancy L.  |              |

**OFFERTORY**

**GOD SIGHTINGS AND PRAYER TIME**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)**

**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, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN.**

\* **HYMN** *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* #334 UMH

**SCRIPTURE** Numbers 11:24-30

**MESSAGE** Pastor Nancy

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

The act of confessing our sin is not simply a recitation of our faults and wrongs, but also an opportunity to receive God's mercy and share in that abundant grace. Confident of God's love for us, let us offer our prayers, first in silence.

*Time for Silent Prayer*

**Holy God, we ask for Your help, Your power, Your Spirit, so that we can amend our lives and grow more each day into the image of Christ. We confess that we fear what is different. We confess that it's easier to follow the world than seek Your ways in our living. We confess that we have not lived out Your call to share in abundant life and unconditional love. We believe that You have the power to turn us around, so we ask You to do that. We ask You to give us the courage, intelligence, imagination, and love to be Your people in all we say and do. AMEN.**

\* **CLOSING HYMN** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* #557 UMH

*(You are welcome to use this time for prayer and reflection at the altar rail or in your seat.)*

\* **SENDING FORTH**

Go now in the blessing of the Spirit who inspires you, empowers you, and binds us to God and one another. AMEN.

\* **POSTLUDE**

\* You may stand if you wish.

*We're glad*



*You're here!*

**WELCOME:** Thank you for joining us for worship today! If you are visiting for the first time, please fill out a yellow card that is in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We hope that you will find our church to be a place where you feel welcome and experience the presence of God in a powerful way.

*The new vision statement for the United Methodist Church:  
The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.*

**WELCOME PROJECT:** Milton UM Church has engaged with a new outreach ministry. Each month, persons who move into our area will receive a professionally designed postcard inviting them to visit us at MUMC. We ask you to pray that this outreach program will have a positive impact on our church's future and on the lives of those we are inviting to join us. Presently, we encourage you to pray fervently for those who received a postcard in April, that they will settle in well, find joy in their new homes, and feel inclined to worship with us. We also encourage you to be a welcoming person when people worship here. Smile in welcome, but don't be an overly zealous greeter.

*Sermon Notes*



*open hearts  
open minds  
open doors*



**Milton United Methodist Church**

**1007 Church Street**

**Milton, West Virginia 25541**

**Mission Statement**

*The mission of Milton United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by reflecting God's love through faith, worship, and service so others may discover God's grace.*



**They were all filled with  
the Holy Spirit ...**

**Acts 2:4, ESV**

**MAY 24, 2026**

**PENTECOST**

Milton/Bethesda Charge

Reverend Nancy White, Pastor

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Accompanist: Melody Bias

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