



Worship Bulletin and Herndon UMC News May 11, 2025

You are welcome here! This church is made up of people of all kinds. You'll hear music, words, prayers, laughter, and silence. Take it all in, participate in ways that make sense for you, and know that however you come and whoever you are, you are loved by God. Please introduce yourself to those around you or at **welcome@herndonumc.org**.

SAVE THE DATE, 5/16, for the Spring Rise Up Together Talent Show. Join the Herndon UMC church family in a fun night of music, laughter, and yummy desserts. All are welcome! Talent and helping hands are wanted. See the signups or contact **melissa@herndonumc.org**. Free will donations will be accepted to benefit needs identified by our friends at Herndon HS.

HELP AT THE CLOSET, 5/17 AND 6/10. The Closet gives so much back to our community while offering a valuable service to those in need. As a partner church, we help make that happen. Sign up in the app, online at **bit.ly/HerndonUMCNeeds**, on the clipboards, or contact Bill & Betty Arey, **thecloset@herndonumc.org**.

ATTENTION ALL PAST, PRESENT, FORMER, AND CURRENT TEACHERS (in schools, colleges, and churches)! After worship on 5/18, food will be provided, so come enjoy a meal with fellow teachers, reminisce, and be appreciated for all the hard work you've put into shaping lives! RSVP in the app or through the Tuesday eNews. Email **jomo@herndonumc.org** for info.

MAY WORSHIP & FELLOWSHIP DINNER. Join the Costa Rica Mission Team for a spaghetti dinner on 5/21 at 6 pm. Donations will help support the team's trip in June they will also be collecting school supplies, from

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5/21-6/1, for the Costa Rica Mission Projects Preschool. Look to the slides and eNews for more information.

SOCIAL ACTION MINISTRY (SAM) invites everyone to the Herndon Pride Festival. Join members of SAM at the Herndon Pride Festival hosted by Arts Herndon (750 Center Street) on 5/24 at Noon! RSVP to **socialaction@herndonumc.org**.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION. We want to celebrate all of our communities graduates from high school and college in June. Share graduate information with **bit.ly/HerndonGradInfo**.

SOCKS FOR THE HOMELESS. Support Cornerstones (and Mary Martha Circle). All sizes welcome. Leave socks in the cabinet in room 105. There is a sign on the door and a basket inside.

LEARN ABOUT SUMMER at **herndonumc.org/summer**!

MEMBERS AND SEEKERS CLASS IN JUNE. If you want to learn more about Herndon UMC, join this class led by Pastor SeongJae, Pastor Pam, and church leadership. Connect more deeply with our church family and learn what it means to be part of Herndon UMC. Sign up using the app or website, or contact **office@herndonumc.org** to connect.

SEUSSICAL JR.! Summer Musical Theatre Camp will be 6/22-27. This camp is open to grades 1-12. More information to come!

UKULELE CAMPS! All levels, all ages, 7/14-18. Register and learn more at **bit.ly/ukulelecamps2025**. Save the date 7/18 for the showcase at 7 pm.

TRUE NORTH VBS! Preschool and elementary aged kids are invited on an adventure, 9 am to Noon, 7/21-25 at Vacation Bible School! Register and learn more at **bit.ly/herndonvbs2025**

Get the latest news in the Herndon UMC app or **herndonumc.org**, under News, select Weekly eNews. Sign up for emails at **bit.ly/HerndonEmails**.

Worship—10 AM

Gathering Music | *Hymn of Promise* | Natalie Sleeth, arr. Christopher Simon | played by Christopher Simon

Welcome & Announcements | Rev. Pam Bentley

Call to Worship | from Ministry Matters | Rev. Pam Bentley

[One] Sometimes good things are right in front of us and we don't see them.

[All] **Our fears and our prejudices blind us.**

[One] Open your eyes this day to see the goodness of the Lord.

[All] **Open our hearts, gracious God, to receive your blessings.**

[One] Hallelujah!

[All] **Hallelujah!**

Opening Song | *Open My Eyes So I Can See* | UMH 454 | led by Christopher Simon and Melissa Chavez

[V.1] **Open my eyes that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me
free. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

[V.2] **Open my ears that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear,
and while the wave notes fall on my ear, ev'rything false will
disappear. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

[V.3] **Open my mouth and let me bear gladly the warm truth
ev'rywhere. Open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children**

thus to share. Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my mouth, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Opening Prayer | Rev. Pam Bentley

Loving God, come and speak to our hearts today. You were there when we rejoiced at the news of the resurrection. You were with us in the upper room hiding in fear, sharing with Thomas our doubts and anxieties. You are so patient with us. Now, you come to us on the road, to our everyday lives. But we aren't always ready for you. We let so many things blot out our awareness of your presence. Forgive us. May we, like those on the Emmaus Road, today find your words burning with hope in our lives. Strengthen us and give us courage for the journey ahead. AMEN.

Even though you may have not yet seen Jesus, face to face, receive this assurance of his presence and his love with you. The promises of God are always true. God is with us, in the resurrection of Jesus, in our journeys, in our lives. Praise be to God.

AMEN.

Passing the Peace & Dismissal for KIDS Club | Rev. Pam Bentley

Hymn | *We Walk by Faith* | FWS 2196 | led by Christopher Simon and Melissa Chavez

**[V.1] We walk by faith, and not by sight;
with gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
but we believe him near.**

**[V.2] We may not touch his hands and side,
nor follow where he trod;**

**yet in his promise we rejoice,
and cry, "My Lord and God!"**

**[V.3] Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,
and may our faith abound;
to call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found:**

**[V.4] That when our life of faith is done
in realms of clearer light
may we behold you as you are,
in full and endless sight.**

**[V.5] We walk by faith, and not by sight;
with gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke,
but we believe him near.**

Scripture | Luke 24:13-35 NRSVUE | Brittany Silloway

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is

now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.” Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Message | Rev. SeongJae Jo

Invitation to Giving | Rev. Pam Bentley

Offertory | *It Is Well* | Thomas Dorsey, arr. Christopher Simon | played by Christopher Simon

Doxology | *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* | UMH 95 | led by Christopher Simon and Melissa Chavez

**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. Amen.**

Offertory Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, and Lord's Prayer | Rev. Pam Bentley

(Please feel free to recite the Lord's Prayer in the language most comfortable to you)

(In English) **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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

(In Spanish) **Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu Nombre; venga tu reino; hágase tu voluntad, así en la tierra como en el cielo; danos hoy el pan nuestro de cada día; perdónanos nuestros pecados, así como nosotros perdonamos a los que pecan contra nosotros; no nos dejes caer en la tentación y líbranos de mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, y el poder, y la gloria, por todo los siglos. Amén.**

Closing Song | *Trust and Obey* | UMH 467 | led by Melissa Chavez

**[V.1] When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word,
what a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will,**

he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.

**[Refrain] Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.**

**[V.2] Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay; not a grief or a loss,
not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey. (Refrain)**

**[V.3] But we never can prove the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay; for the favor he shows,
for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey. (Refrain)**

**[V.4] Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet,
or we'll walk by his side in the way; what he says we will do,
where he sends we will go; never fear, only trust and obey. (Refrain)**

Benediction | Rev. SeongJae Jo

Leaving Music | *O Church of God, United* | ELLACOMBE, arr. Christopher Simon | played by Christopher Simon