

Sunday
June 24, 2018
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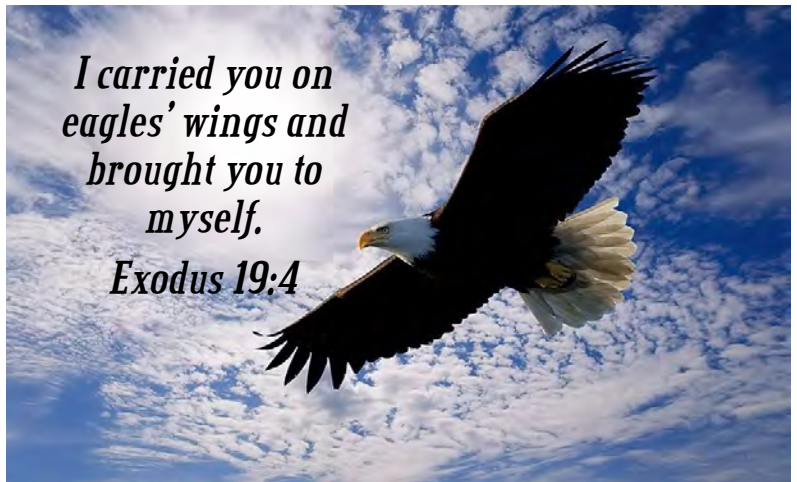
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Becoming disciples;
serving God's world.



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*I carried you on
eagles' wings and
brought you to
myself.
Exodus 19:4*

Plain print indicates worship leader.

Bold print indicates congregation.

**Indicates please stand as able.*

Gather to Worship

Welcome

Ministry Opportunities

***Call to Worship**

On the third new moon, three months into the wilderness, the people of God, fresh from the tyranny of Egypt, came to the mountain of the Lord, and there they waited.

As we come to worship this day, may we also await Your word for us, and set ourselves to praise You, Lord God.

Come, let us worship the God of Jacob and Moses.

***Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

God of answered prayers and promises fulfilled, You led Your people out of slavery into freedom, then gave them rules for right living, and freedom to choose whether or not to obey them. Many, many moons have waxed and waned since those events were lived and the stories first told, but we believe that what you offer us is essentially the same: freedom, with guidance on how to live; guidance, with freedom to choose.

We ask Your forgiveness, not for minor breaches of the rules, but for failing to take full advantage of our freedom; for hankering after slavery, or childhood, when other people made our choices for us; for not daring to try in case we might fail; for not taking the rules seriously enough to work at adapting them to our time and situation.

Help us to grow to full maturity as Your people, not for our sakes alone, but for the sake of the world in which You have called us to serve.

We are to be an example of community living that others will want to follow; we are to be an outpost of Your kingdom, whose influence will radiate out for good to all people and all places, for all are Yours, and all equally the object of Your love.

Forgive us all that is past, make us holy and whole; free and fit to serve You by loving and caring in this world until Your kingdom comes.

Amen.

***Hymn:** #143 On Eagle's Wings

Scripture Lesson: Exodus 19:1-6; 20:1-2

***Hymn:** #2233 Where Children Belong

Children's Time ~ *Joanne Culver*

Sermon: "Not Just Ten Suggestions"

***Hymn:** #467 Trust and Obey (verses 1, 2)

Praying for Others and for Ourselves

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

***Doxology:** #95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Prayer of Dedication**

Living God, we bring You these gifts not because we feel we ought to, nor because it is expected of us, nor even because the church needs them; we give freely and gladly as you have shared with us.

We made a free choice once to follow in the way of Christ; freely we renew that commitment now, not for hope of reward or fear of punishment, but because He alone has the words of eternal life.

Receive our gifts; use us and them in the service of Your kingdom, whose only law is the law of love.

Amen.

***Hymn:** #696 America the Beautiful

***Blessing**

***Depart to Serve**

Coming up next Sunday, July 1: "*Not Just Ten Suggestions*", Exodus 20:3-11. Brad Addis will be the preacher for the day. (Pastor Greg and family will be attending an out-of-town wedding.)

For Cheer and Hello

Liz Anderson	Beverly Nimmo
David Bretz	Robert & Carmen Parsons
Barb Griner	Marv & Kitty Starbuck
Pat McClelland	Al Thomas
Iris McGahan	Mina Willett

Today's altar flowers are provided by
Dennis and Kathy Forsythe in honor of the
marriage of Elizabeth Forsythe and George Palat.

June 17 Worship attendance: 103

This Week's Celebrations

Birthdays

6/24 Arden Sult
6/25 Lauren Frantz
6/27 Barbara Bladt
6/29 Anna Knowles

Anniversaries

6/26 Justin & Amy
Moberley
6/27 Ron & Nelly Avis
6/28 Gordon & Bonnie
Oswalt
6/30 Ken & Nancy Her-
son



In Service to Our Country

Matthew Kohler

16 Claymore Dr
Hampton VA 23669

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Tyler Smith

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Coming deadlines

- ScripCents orders are due in the church office by 2:00 p.m. Monday, July 2.
- UMW Mission U registrations are due Wednesday, June 27.

Mission Moment—Plus 10 Families

June 24: Joe and Betty Gruber

July 1:

This Week's Calendar

Today

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Monday, June 25

7:00 p.m. Church Council in the Taylor Room

Tuesday, June 26

2:00 p.m. Sew What Now God, Taylor Room

Wednesday, June 27

10:30 a.m. Wednesday Winners in the Taylor Room

Thursday, June 28

6:00 p.m. ROUTE 56, HELIX, and RAW

Friday, June 29 - Pastor's Day Off

6:00 p.m. VCAC Arts Camp Exhibit, FLC

Saturday, June 30

no activities scheduled

Coming Events

Tuesday, July 3

7:00 p.m. Trustees in the Taylor Room

Wednesday, July 4

Offices will be closed

Thursday, July 5

11:00 a.m. UMW Executive Committee in the Library

12:30 p.m. UMW General meeting, Taylor Room



Children will not meet for the month of June. We will begin again on July 1, and Miss Laurie will teach that Sunday. July's theme will be prayer.

Prayer for Family and Friends

New Requests This Week

Barbara Hansen (Sandy Minger's sister) has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. There will be a lot more tests and decisions.

Don Lynch (Tyler's dad) is undergoing treatments for prostate cancer.

Previous Requests

Jack and Cynda Buckallew

Jill Cain (Vera Walker's niece) is having serious blood pressure problems.

Victoria Green (Julie Taylor's granddaughter) just turned 21. Please pray for guidance in her decisions and growth.

Mike Harrison needs prayer for healing from basal cell cancer surgery.

Please pray for Noreen Heikes and family at the loss of her 2-year-old grandson in an accident.

Baby Holly (Vera Walker's great-great-niece)

Matt Kohler will have outpatient surgery on his back on June 28 and would like prayer.

Melva Kohler needs healing in her leg, due to a bacterial infection.

Tim Melvin successfully completed the 30 radiation treatments and is still healing.

Char Rice passed away. Please remember her family in prayer.

Cordell Sherman (Dennis and Marlene's 18-yr-old grandson) is recovering from ulcerative colitis and bacterial infection.

Bev Taylor (Julie Taylor's ex-sister-in-law) passed away. Please pray for Julie and the family.

Gail Wade (Julie Taylor's friend) was in a car accident.



Over a river and through the woods...

Save the Date!

Progressive Dinner

December 8

Holiday Progressive Dinner is back. Plan now and save the date: December 8.

We will need 3 homes to volunteer for a course. Contact Betsy Myers at 269-207-5212 if you can host appetizers, salads, or desserts.

Plan now so you have plenty of time to clean and decorate for December 8.

June food donations

For the month of June, we will be collecting instant oatmeal for Generous Hands and South County Community Services.



The General Rule of Discipleship

To witness to Jesus Christ in the world, and to follow his teachings through acts of compassion, justice, worship and devotion under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Thursday

PLAY GYM

10:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m.



Fun, inexpensive "play with me" group for 1- to 5-year-olds and their favorite adult.

Next session begins **Sept. 6.**

Registration by phone starts July 1. Class sizes are limited so be sure to register early by calling the church at 269-649-2343.