



PULASKI HEIGHTS

United Methodist Church

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Don't Look Up!

Rev. Jay Clark

June 1, 2025



Ascension Sunday

Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church
Classic Worship, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
June 1, 2025

**The asterisk indicates to stand, as you are able.*

Magnifying readers are available in the narthex. Hearing devices are available at the Welcome Desk.

WELCOME

Rev. Jay Clark

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Finale from Trumpet Concerto in E-flat
Dr. Lacey Phelps, trumpet; Katie Scheetz, piano

Franz Joseph Haydn

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Clark

Pastor: Let us worship the eternal God,
the source of love and life, who created us.

People: **Let us worship Jesus Christ,
the risen one, who lives among us.**

Pastor: Let us worship the Spirit,
the holy fire, who renews us.

People: **To the one true God be praise in all times and places,
through the grace of Jesus Christ.**

* OPENING HYMN 154

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada)

Rev. Daniel Curry

We are not alone; we live in God's world.

**We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI 70

MEINEKE

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.

ANTHEM

Blessed Are They

Carolyn Jennings

Youth Choir, Church Street UMC, Knoxville, Tennessee
Josh Phelps, director; Katie Scheetz, piano; Dr. Lacey Phelps, trumpet

CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. Jeffery Hampton

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Almighty God, you ascended Jesus into heaven, 40 days after his resurrection, and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.

Pastor: Hear the good news.

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.**

All: **Glory to God. Amen.**

*** SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Acts 1:1-11

Rev. Clark

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

*** GREETING**

SERMON

Don't Look Up!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Dr. Hampton

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O Love

Elaine Hagenberg

*** DOXOLOGY 95**

OLD 100th

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

*** THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Rev. Curry

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor gives thanks, remembering God's acts of salvation, and concludes:

And so, with your people on earth, and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might. Heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The pastor continues the thanksgiving and concludes:

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a gain!

The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:
All honor is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.

A - men, a - men a - - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMUNION MUSIC

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

* **CLOSING HYMN 303** *The Day of Resurrection* LANCASHIRE

* WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

We rejoice to recognize you as a member of Christ's holy church, and we welcome you to Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it with our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.

(9:00) BLESSING OF OZARK MISSION PROJECT STAFF

* BENEDICTION

* **CLOSING VOLUNTARY** *Let All Things Now Living* *arr. Larry Shackley*
Dr. Frode Gundersen, piano

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Jay Clark, *Chief of Staff*
Rev. Daniel Curry, *Associate Pastor of Caring & Older Adult Ministries*
Dr. Jeffery Hampton, *Pastor of Caring Ministries*
Dr. Frode Gundersen, *Director of Music, Worship & Arts*
Sungyun Kim, *Organist & Associate Music Director*

GUEST YOUTH CHOIR

We are pleased to have with us the Parish Youth Choir from Church Street UMC in Knoxville, Tennessee, led by Josh Phelps, Director of Music Ministries and accompanied by Katie Scheetz, Organist & Associate Music Director and Dr. Lacey Phelps, trumpet.

ACOLYTES

(11:00) Elizabeth Kilgroe & Caroline Kilgroe

USHERS

(9:00) Rick Fleetwood (*Lead*), Caroline Beauchamp, Laura Spradley, Mark Spradley, Cindy Simpson
(11:00) John Jones (*Lead*), Richard Bright, Pat Crane, Nancy Leonhardt, Jan Sullivan

ALTAR GUILD

Bitsi Bonner, Sylvia Borchert, Renetta Hinkle, Bev Villines

SOUND

Bob Worthington

GATHERING HALL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Gathering Hall are placed to the glory of God and in celebration of the wedding of Catherine Caldwell and Blake Thornton by Dr. and Mrs. Charles R. Caldwell.

COLUMBARIUM FLOWERS

The flowers in the columbarium are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dot Allen Moore, dearest wife of Tom and loving mother of Jennifer & Russell.

INSPIRE LOVE. EMBRACE CHRIST. ENGAGE THE WORLD.