

The flowers on the altar are joyfully given to the glory of God by Jim & Linda McCarron in celebration of their 58th wedding anniversary on May 18th!

Gay Street & Green Valley Chapel UMCs

Experiencing God through Worship, Spiritual Growth, Care, and Service



Chapel, May 17, 2026

Wisdom & Revelation

*The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty;
the Lord is robed; he is girded with strength.
He has established the world; it shall never be moved;
your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting.*

-Psalm 93:1-2

Welcome to Gay Street UMC!

Ways to stay connected: mtvumc.org | Facebook | Instagram | eDevos (weekly newsletter)

Office Hours: Mon-Fri, 8am-3pm | 740-392-6626 | office@mtvumc.org

Restrooms: End of first-floor hallway

Prayer Concerns: Use gray cards in pews; place in offering plate or give to a Pastor

Connect Cards: In pew racks—guests and updates welcome (return in offering plate or to a Pastor)

Sermon Notes:.....
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SAVE THE DATE:

- May 19th, Trustees at 5:30pm & Finance at 6:45pm. *Both are open meetings!*
- May 24th, join us in Fellowship Hall after the 10:45am service for our Pulled Pork Missions fundraising event; volunteers are needed to clean-up afterwards.
- May 25th, Church is closed; hope to see you at the Memorial Day Parade!
- May 26th, Red Cross Blood Drive from 1pm-6pm in Fellowship Hall!
- June 1st, Piece Corps at 10am in the Varsity Room.
- June 2nd, Church Council-open meeting at 6:30pm in the Varsity Room.
- June 5th, Care Team at 11:30am in the Varsity Room.

WAYS TO SERVE:

Friday Night Community Hot Meals:

Join us each Friday at 5:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall as we serve hot meals to our community. Volunteers are always welcome!

Sunday Worship Volunteers Needed:

We are seeking volunteers for our Sunday services in the following areas:

- Liturgist
- Lay Readers
- Live Stream
- Sound Board

If you feel called to serve in any of these roles, please contact the church office. Your support helps make our worship possible—thank you!

Our Mission

To make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the World

ASCENSION SUNDAY

*The *asterisk is an invitation to rise in body and/or spirit.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dale Sutton

PREPARATION

Prelude

Sonata in G Minor, Andante and Rondo Allegro

by Ludwig van Beethoven

Jo-Ann Odonkor, pianist

Opening Prayer–All Uniting

Liturgist: Janet Rehling

God of incredible surprises, as we gaze into the clouds, remind us that we are standing on holy ground. Place our feet on the pathways of peace and hope. Draw our attention from the vision of the Lord rising to the heavens to be with you and help us to focus on the ministries that you would have us do. Keep us ready and willing always to serve you all our days. AMEN.

*Gathering Hymn

I Surrender All

UM Hymnal 354

***CALL TO WORSHIP (congregation: please refer to the bold text)**

L: Jesus prayed for his disciples, giving them into God’s eternal care.

C: Jesus prays for us, giving us into God’s care.

L: Know that you have been blessed with the love of the Savior.

C: We live in that love and seek to serve God.

L: Open your hearts and spirits now to hear God’s word.

C: May our lives be open to God’s Spirit and reflect God’s love. AMEN.

INTO THE WORD

Ephesians 1:15–23

Acts 1:1–11

Lay Reader: Janet Schisler

*Response to the Word

Gloria Patri

UM Hymnal 71

Message

Wisdom & Revelation

Rev. Dale Sutton

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayer Hymn

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (x2)

TFWS 2193

Morning Prayer

Lord’s Prayer–**UM Hymnal 895**

Invitation and Dedication for the Giving of Our Lives, Tithes, Gifts, and Offerings:

When we bring an offering to God, it is a form of worship. Worshipping God with giving of our money reveals our hearts desire. We give sacrificially, generously, and continuously as a way of ascribing value to who God is in our lives. As we do so, our love for God and others grow.

***Doxology**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

UM Hymnal 94

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING FORTH

ADULT MISSION TRIP RECAP

*Hymn of Parting

Here I Am, Lord

UM Hymnal 593

*Benediction

Postlude

Little Nocturne, by Jakob Metelka

Philomena Odonkor, pianist

