

South United Methodist Church



~ Welcome to South Church *On-Line* ~

Pastor: Rev. John Marshall, Jr.

Director of Ministries: Terry Marshall

Next Generation Ministries: JT & Catey Himmelstein

Director of Music: Earle Bidwell

Organists: Christopher Walton & Tatiana Lukyanova

Office Managers: Colleen Olbert & Patti LaForest

Lay Leaders: Deb Grehn & Don Wilby

Sextons: Ken Schaller & Don Wilby

Retired Clergy: Rev. Richard Thompson

Missionary: Dr. Belinda Forbes, Nicaragua

Order of Worship

for Sunday *On-line* Worship

Ascension Sunday

5-24-2020

our focus Scripture verse today is...

“During the forty days after his crucifixion, he appeared to the apostles from time to time, and he proved to them in many ways that he was actually alive. And he talked to them about the kingdom of God.”

Acts 1:3, NLT

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Opening Music

Welcome/Theme of the Day

“For 40 days Jesus appeared to his disciples and prepared them for the future.”

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship: **Psalm 47, NRSV**

Children’s Moment

Musical Interlude

Pastoral Prayer for the People

Please submit prayer requests to be included either by email: Prayer@southumc.com or by phone: 860-337-2793

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading: **Acts 1:1-11, NLT**

Message: **“Strength to Carry On”**

Offering

Blessing

Closing Music

NRSV - The New Revised Standard Version  
NLT - The New Living Translation



The Church building is closed. . .

**BUT** The Church is not!

Let’s **STAY CONNECTED** with each other.

HOW ?????

**\*Through; Facebook Live streaming**  
**Worship on Sunday’s at 10am**  
Live Devotions by Pastor John & JT each week  
Please “like” our page:  
(South United Methodist Church)  
so you can see notifications for these.  
**Watch for Live Devotions** this week on  
Wednesday and Friday evenings at 8pm  
**\*Through; Sunday evening ZOOM Bible Study**  
**w/ Pastor John at 6:30pm**

**\*Through; watching your email** from SUMC and  
Pastor John for important links and messages  
during this time of separation

**\*Through; our website: [www.southumc.com](http://www.southumc.com)**  
each week’s bulletin & announcements  
will be posted there.

**\*Through; reaching out to one another**  
by phone, cards and letters,  
email and social media. . .

**\*Through; our announcement page**  
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Due to the Coronavirus outbreak, the church building is closed to the public until further notice. We LOOK forward to being together in person again soon!

If you need to reach Pastor John or Terry Please call the Parsonage at 860-643-4014



PLEASE NOTE  
There is no on-line Bible Study THIS WEEK-5/24

**TAKE COURAGE**

Get our Meeting ID and password by:  
Email from Pastor John, by USPS  
or by Calling Pastor John at 860-643-4014

**The SUMC Drive-by MACC Bin**



MACC is STILL in need of donations! IF YOU CAN... PLEASE drive through and place items in the bin! (by the upper ed wing ramp door) Items will be brought by SUMC staff members directly to MACC for distribution.

**Needed:** peanut butter & jelly pasta & sauce, mayo, tuna, canned meals, fruits, vegetables, mac & cheese, crackers, cereal, kid's snacks

We have taken several loads of food so far during the pandemic - keep up the good work!

**DEVO LIVE**

Wed. & Fri. Evenings @8pm  
Pastor John & JT are sharing a LIVE devotion (2 times a week!) Tune in on Facebook directly or through our website to catch these inspiring and encouraging messages every week!



Altar flowers are given in loving memory of;  
*Laurie Jean Patarini*  
by Jill Zatkowski, Anne Davis,  
Pat McIntosh & Kisti Maulucci

**Worship and Devotions by PHONE**

We are trying to reach our folks with our on-line services and devotions who do not have a computer in their homes.



We have made a few attempts at this and thank you for your patience as we continue to work to improve this option.

We have mailed out instructions on how to do this to 27 households of regular attendees that we believe do not have computers.

IF you are aware of others who should be added to this list, please call the parsonage and let Terry M. know. Thank you!



**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
for K-grade 6 (& their families too!)

Terry M. has been sending out links for lessons each week for the whole family during the COVID19 crisis.

These lessons are a wonderful way for families to talk through what's happening during this time and a great reminder that our faith can pull us through. If you would like to receive this weekly lesson email: [Terry@southumc.com](mailto:Terry@southumc.com)



SUMC has. . .  
**Weekly Prayer ZOOM Meetings** on Tuesday's from 5:30-6:15pm  
email: [prayer@southumc.com](mailto:prayer@southumc.com)  
to receive ID & password info.  
If you'd like to join in.  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

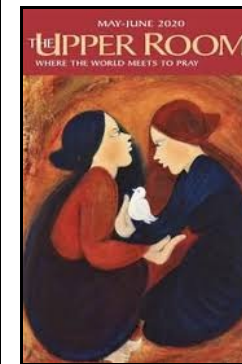
**ALSO. . .** If you would like Pastor John to pray over your requests during our online services... please submit them via email to: [prayer@southumc.com](mailto:prayer@southumc.com) or byphone: 860-337-2793 by Saturday morning of each week.

Your continued support of South Church throughout the COVID-19 Crisis. . .



enables and ensures that our ministries will continue not only for our church family, but our community and world.

- You can continue to support our church. . .
  - \*Through the "Giving" tab on our website
  - \*Through Text giving using the number 860-512-7185
  - \*Through Mailing a check to the church (address above)
- ~ Thank You for your continued support! ~



DEVO. Booklets are available for drive-thru pick up!

They are located in a small plastic bin next to the MACC bin outside the Upper Ed wing ramp door.



