

7th Sunday of Easter

June 1, 2025, Worship Service 9:30 AM

*For this mark *, please stand if you are able.*

Prelude	Esther Harris
* Opening Hymn / Procession / Lighting of Candles	
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven, UMH 66 (1 & 2)	
* Call to Worship	Together
* Invocation	Liturgist
Gathering Hymns	
Here is Bread, here is Wine, TFWS 2266	
Call to Confession / Assurance of Forgiveness	
Announcements / Joys / Passing of Peace	Liturgist
Scripture Reading	Loranne Shoptaw
Acts 16:16-34	
Special Music	FUMC Choir
Someone Asked the Question	
Sermon	Rev. Myeong Shin Nam
The Power of the Resurrection — The Power to Set Us Free	
Centering Hymn	
Stand By Me, UMH 512 (1, 3, & 5)	
Concerns & Prayers	
Lord's Prayer	
* Sharing the Gifts	Doxology, UMH 94
Holy Communion	
* Sending Forth Hymn	
Send Forth by God's Blessing, UMH 664 (1 & 2)	
* Sending Forth Blessing	Rev. Myeong Shin Nam
Postlude	Esther Harris

Today's Scripture

Acts 16:16-34

16. One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling.
17. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation."
18. She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.
19. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities.
20. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men, these Jews, are disturbing our city
21. and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us, being Romans, to adopt or observe."
22. The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods.
23. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely.
24. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.
25. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them.
26. Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened.
27. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped.
28. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here."
29. The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas.
30. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"
31. They answered, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household."
32. They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house.
33. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay.
34. He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Worship Contributors

Acolyte: Kalisitiane Liku (Next Week: Athena De Leon)

Liturgist: Adele Dow (Next Week: Roger Doering)

Scripture Reader: Loranne Shoptaw (Next Week: Soleil De Leon)

Usher: Maureen St. Hill (Next Week: Cecilio De Leon)

Audio/Visual Team: Samuel C. & Jericho Z. (Next Week: Samuel C. & Joel Z.)

Music Director: Virginia Thompson

Accompanists: Esther Harris (Piano), Latrosse Harris (Drum),
Loren Peters (Horn), Roger Doering (Trumpet)

Weekly Programs

Sunday

Sun 9:30 AM Worship (Sanctuary / Zoom)

Sun 10:30 AM Fellowship (Wesley Room)

Sun 10:45 AM Adult Sunday School (Library / Zoom)

Sun 11:00 AM Sunday Bible Study (Small Group Room)

Weekdays

Tue 10:00 AM Senior Club (Resumes September 9)

Wed 7:00 PM Faith & Life Conversation (Zoom)

Thu 11:30 AM Choir Rehearsal (Resumes September)

Announcements

- ❖ **Holy Communion:** Sunday, June 1. Join us for a special time of worship as we celebrate Holy Communion together. For those participating via Zoom, please prepare bread and juice ahead of time so you can fully join in this sacred moment with us.
- ❖ **Banner Change:** Sunday, June 1, right after the service.
- ❖ **Pentecost Sunday:** Sunday, June 8. **Wear Red!** As part of the tradition, we invite everyone to wear red clothing or accessories to symbolize the fire and power of the Holy Spirit.
- ❖ **Change of Opening Hymn:** Beginning next Sunday and continuing through August, our opening hymn will be **"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"** (UMH #64, 1 & 4).
- ❖ **SPRC Meeting:** Sunday, June 1, 12:00 PM (Library & Zoom)
- ❖ **No Trustees Meeting in June.**
- ❖ **Graduation Celebration:** Sunday, June 8 during fellowship time we will congratulate graduates.
Congratulations to the Graduates of 2025!
- ❖ **Opportunities to Serve During Fellowship Time:** We are inviting individuals or families to sign up for one Sunday between June 15 and August 3 to help with our fellowship time.
- ❖ **June Birthdays:** Loren Peters, Dennis Borruso, Kolo Liku, Joan Grier, Natalie St. Hill, Emilyn De Leon, Michelle Perkins, Elaine Clark, Kalisitiane Liku.